



Berkeley Housing Authority

Item 8A

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF THE BERKELEY HOUSING AUTHORITY**

DRAFT MINUTES

Wednesday, November 10, 2010

North Berkeley Senior Center

1901 Hearst Ave.

Berkeley, CA 94709

(NOTE: The meeting will be held in Classroom A)

6:00 p.m.

CAROLE NORRIS, CHAIR

VALERIE AGOSTINO

MARJORIE COX

ADOLPH MOODY

KATHARINE GALE

DOROTHY HUNT

RICHELIEU HEMPHILL

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Board members present: Chairperson Norris, Commissioners Agostino, Gale, Moody and Hemphill. Commissioners Hunt and Cox arrived during the public comment period (6:10 p.m. and 6:12 p.m. respectively)

3. **Comments from the Public**

Four members of the public spoke including 3 residents from Strawberry Creek Lodge, and one Public Housing resident with maintenance concerns.

4. **Report from the Executive Director**

Executive Director briefed the Board on the status of activities of the Housing Authority in the areas of overall administration, rental assistance in the Section 8 Voucher, and Authority owned rental housing programs, and informed the Board of potential significant actions/developments which may transpire prior to the next regular meeting.

Report Received.

5. **Consent Agenda**

Item 5A (Minutes from the October 14th, 2010 meeting were pulled). It was moved/seconded and approved (Cox/Hunt) to approve the balance of the Consent Calendar; Commissioner Moody abstained.

It was moved/seconded and approved (Agostino/Hunt) to approve the Minutes from the October 14, 2010 meeting; Commissioner Cox abstained. Legal Counsel to advise how the minutes from October 14, 2010 Closed Session are processed.

- A. Approval of Minutes: regular Meeting October 14, 2010
- B. Amending the contract with Law Firm of Charles Ramsey, legal services for LIPH/RHCP, increasing the contract authority \$30,000, for a total not to exceed \$78,000, and extending the term through June 30, 2011
- C. Amending the 2010 Capital Fund Annual Statement assigning 100% of the Capital Fund Grant (\$127,559) to Operations

6. **Old Business**

- A. Finance Report: Period Ending September 30, 2010

Report received. Include item regarding Executive Director compensation on next agenda.

7. **New Business**

None

8. **Commissioners' Questions and Matters**

None

9. **Communications**

None

10. **Adjournment**

It was moved, seconded and approved (Hunt/Cox) to adjourn the Regular meeting at 7:07 p.m.

11. **Closed Session**

- A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b): one potential case.
- B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation: pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a): TaShonna Brown v. Berkeley Housing Authority, Alameda County Superior Court, Case No. RG10495331.
- C. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c): three potential cases.

Board was briefed by Attorney Charles Ramsey and Jennifer Bell; no action was taken.

 This agenda was posted: on the doors of the Berkeley Housing Authority at 1901 Fairview Street, Berkeley, CA 94703; at North Berkeley Senior Center, 1901 Hearst Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94709; as well as the Berkeley Housing Authority website. The next Regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Thursday, December 9, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the North Berkeley Senior Center.

