

**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL FACILITIES, INFRASTRUCTURE,
TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**Thursday, March 7, 2019
2:00 PM**

1947 Center Street, Basement - Multi-Purpose Room

Committee Members:

Councilmembers Cheryl Davila, Kate Harrison, and Rigel Robinson

AGENDA

Roll Call: 2:05 p.m.

Present: Harrison, Robinson

Absent: Davila

Election of Chair: Councilmember Harrison nominated to serve as Chair.

Action: M/S/C (Robinson/Harrison) to elect Councilmember Harrison as Chair of the Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment & Sustainability Committee.

Vote: Ayes – Harrison, Robinson; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Davila.

Adoption of Regular Meeting Schedule

Action: M/S/C (Harrison/Robinson) to establish a regular meeting schedule of the Facilities, Infrastructure, transportation, Environment & Sustainability Committee as the first and third Thursday of each month at 2:00 p.m.

Vote: Ayes – Harrison, Robinson; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Davila.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters – 0 speakers

Councilmember Davila present at 2:13 p.m.

Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Committee's consideration and approval.

1. Minutes for Approval - None

Committee Action Items

The public may comment on each item listed on the agenda for action as the item is taken up. The Chair will determine the number of persons interested in speaking on each item. Up to ten (10) speakers may speak for two minutes. If there are more than ten persons interested in speaking, the Chair may limit the public comment for all speakers to one minute per speaker. Speakers are permitted to yield their time to one other speaker, however no one speaker shall have more than four minutes.

Following review and discussion of the items listed below, the Committee may continue an item to a future committee meeting, or refer the item to the City Council.

2a. Referral Response: Mandatory and Recommended Green Stormwater Infrastructure in New and Existing Redevelopments or Properties
From: Community Environmental Advisory Commission (Contains supplemental materials)

Referred: January 22, 2019

Due: June 11, 2019

Recommendation: Since the drought-storm-flooding cycle is predicted to get worse, refer to the City Manager to develop and implement measures to help reduce runoff from private property when rain exceeds two inches in a 24-hour period. The City Manager and staff should consider the following: - Comply beyond the State and Alameda County current requirements; -Encourage the treating and detaining of runoff up to approximately the 85th per-centile of water deposited in a 24-hour period; -Establish site design measures that include minimizing impervious surfaces; -Require homeowners to include flooding offsets in preparing properties for sale; - Offer option(s) for property owners to fund in-lieu centralized off-site storm-water retention facilities that would hold an equivalent volume of runoff; -Require abatements for newly paved areas over a specific size; -Make exceptions for properties that offer significantly below-market rent or sale prices; -Authorize a fee for all new construction or for title transfer to cover the cost of required compliance inspections. -Incorporate these measures for private property with similar measures for Public Works, while coordinating with EBMUD, BUSD, UCB and LBNL.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Viviana Garcia, Commission Secretary, 981-7460

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2b. Companion Report to Referral Response: Mandatory and Recommended Green Stormwater Infrastructure in New and Existing Redevelopments or Properties

From: City Manager

Referred: January 22, 2019

Due: June 11, 2019

Recommendation: Express appreciation for the intent of the Community Environmental Advisory Commission (CEAC) recommendation to develop and implement measures to help reduce runoff from private property when rain exceeds two inches in a 24-hour period, and allow staff to continue existing efforts to implement Municipal Regional Stormwater Permit regulations in coordination with the 14 other local governments and agencies that participate in the Alameda Countywide Clean Water Program.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Timothy Burroughs, Planning and Development, 981-7400; Phillip Harrington, Public Works, 981-6300

Action: 2 speakers. Discussion held. The Committee requested that staff return with the following information:

1. The number of projects that are affected by requirements that apply to projects that create or replace at least 2,500 square feet of impervious surface.
2. The difference in the number of projects that would be affected if requirements applied to projects that were at least 100 units, compared to projects that are at least 50 units in size.
3. Overview of current stormwater requirements.

M/S/C (Harrison/Robinson) to continue to the next meeting.

Vote: All Ayes.

3. Adopt an Ordinance adding a new Chapter 19.84 to the Berkeley Municipal Code Prohibiting Natural Gas Infrastructure in New Buildings

From: Councilmembers Harrison, Davila, Bartlett and Hahn

Referred: February 25, 2019

Due: July 15, 2019

Recommendation: Adopt an ordinance adding a new Chapter 19.84 to the Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) prohibiting natural gas infrastructure in new buildings with an effective date of [].

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, 981-7140

Action: 11 speakers. Discussion held. Item continued to next meeting. The Committee requested that staff return with the following information:

1. Recommendation on what project size thresholds the Committee should recommend in the referral.
2. Review draft Ordinance and provide feedback at the meeting on April 4, 2019.

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M/S/C (Harrison/Davila) to make a recommendation to the City Council that the Council direct the Energy Commission to conduct community outreach and education events regarding the proposed ordinance.

Vote: All Ayes.

Unscheduled Items

These items are not scheduled for discussion or action at this meeting. The Committee may schedule these items to the Action Calendar of a future Committee meeting.

- None

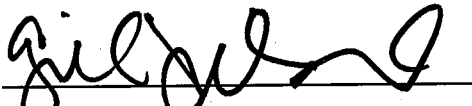
Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Davila/Harrison) to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct record of the Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment & Sustainability Committee meeting held on March 7, 2019.



April Richardson, Assistant City Clerk