1. **Roll call** – Chair Selawsky called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.  
   Aimee Mueller called roll.  
   Commissioners present: Chang, Laverde-Levine, Murphy, Simon-Weisberg, Soto-Vigil, Townley, Tregub (via teleconference), Selawsky.  
   Commissioners absent: Poblet.  
   Staff present: Brown, Kelekian, Mueller, Shoquist.

2. **Approval of Agenda** – M/S/C (Soto-Vigil/Townley) MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE FOLLOWING CHANGES: MOVE CONSENT ITEM 4.b. TO ACTION; MOVE ACTION ITEMS 5.a.(2) AND 5.a.(3) TO CONSENT; ADJOURN IN HONOR OF ELISA COOPER, A LONG TIME SOUTH BERKELEY ACTIVIST WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY; ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF FORMER CITY COUNCIL AND RENT BOARD MEMBER BETTY OLDS FOR HER MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE AND ANIMALS OF BERKELEY.  
   Roll call vote.  
   YES: Chang, Laverde-Levine, Murphy, Simon-Weisberg, Soto-Vigil, Townley, Tregub, Selawsky; NO: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Poblet.  
   Carried 8-0-0-1.

   Chair Selawsky announced that there will be a memorial service for Elisa Cooper on Monday, July 24th at 6 p.m. at Ms. Cooper’s home, 1817 Oregon Street.

3. **Public Forum** – There was one speaker: Krista Gulbransen spoke before item 6.a.(3).

4. **CONSENT ITEMS**

   Consent item 4.b. was moved to Action, and Action items 5.a.(2) and 5.a.(3) were moved to Consent via an earlier vote of the Board.
a. Approval of the June 19th Regular Meeting and Public Hearing minutes

M/S/C (Soto-Vigil/Townley) MOTION TO APPROVE JUNE 19th REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES WITH THE FOLLOWING CORRECTION: ADD COMMISSIONER MURPHY AS THE FOURTH CO-SPONSOR OF ITEM 4.b.; AND ITEMS 5.a.(2) and 5.a.(3) AS WRITTEN. Roll call vote. YES: Chang, Laverde-Levine, Murphy, Simon-Weisberg, Soto-Vigil, Townley, Tregub; NO: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Poblet; RECUSED: Selawsky.*

Carried 7-0-0-1-1.

*Due to a personal conflict of interest related to Item 5.a.(3) only – i.e., that his son works for the Eviction Defense Center – Chair Selawsky recused himself from the vote on all Consent items.

b. Recommendation regarding Senate Bill 35 (Weiner) – Planning and zoning: affordable housing: streamlined approval process (Selawsky/Townley)

MOVED TO ACTION. After discussion, this item was held over to the August meeting. The Board requested that the meeting minutes reflect the desire to communicate a recommendation in writing after a vote is taken on this item in August.

5. ACTION ITEMS

a. From Board Members, Executive Director and Committees

Items 5.a.(2) and 5.a.(3) were moved to Consent via an earlier vote of the Board.

(1) Recommendation that the Rent Board review and comment on the proposed ordinance prohibiting housing discrimination based on source of income (Eviction/Section 8/Foreclosure Committee)

M/S/C (Laverde-Levine/Murphy) MOTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION AS WRITTEN. Roll call vote. YES: Chang, Laverde-Levine, Murphy, Simon-Weisberg, Soto-Vigil, Townley, Tregub, Selawsky; NO: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Poblet. Carried 8-0-0-1.

(2) Recommendation to adopt a resolution decreasing the authorized expenditure level of Fund 440 for Fiscal Year 2018 (Executive Director)

MOVED TO CONSENT

(3) Recommendation to adopt a resolution to amend contracts with The Eviction Defense Center and the East Bay Community Law Center to receive funding from the Berkeley City Council for additional anti-displacement services (Executive Director)

MOVED TO CONSENT
(4) **Recommendation to consider changing the date of the August Board Meeting in order to receive an updated report from our legislative advocate** (Executive Director and Chair Selawsky)

M/S/C (Tregub/Chang) MOTION TO RESCHEDULE THE AUGUST REGULAR MEETING FROM AUGUST 21st TO AUGUST 14th. Roll call vote. YES: Chang, Laverde-Levine, Murphy, Simon-Weisberg, Soto-Vigil, Townley, Tregub, Selawsky; NO: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Poblet. Carried 8-0-0-1.

*Commissioner Tregub stated for the record that he will be unable to attend the August 14th meeting.*

6. **INFORMATION, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS ARTICLES**

*Please Note: The Board may move Information Items to the Action Calendar.*

**ALL ITEMS BELOW WERE MENTIONED AND/OR BRIEFLY DISCUSSED. UNDERLINED ITEMS HAVE ADDITIONAL COMMENTS AND/OR INFORMATION.**

a. **Reports from Board Members/Staff**

(1) **Update on staffing changes (Executive Director) – Verbal**

(2) **Commissioner Attendance Records for the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2017 (Executive Director)**

(3) **Report to the Eviction/Section 8/Foreclosure Committee: Summary of Ellis Act Evictions – 1986 through June 1, 2017 (Eviction/Section 8/Foreclosure Committee & Executive Director) – Staff Attorney Matt Brown answered questions from the sole public speaker on this item.**

7. **COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

a. **Budget and Personnel** – Chair Selawsky reported that the Committee will need to schedule a meeting soon.

b. **Eviction/Section 8/Foreclosure** – Committee Chair Simon-Weisberg reported that the Committee’s main focus right now is Section 8.

c. **Habitable & Sustainable Housing (HASH)** – Committee Chair Laverde-Levine reported that the Committee might have a recommendation in the future for the 4x4 Committee on the elevator law sign language.

(1) **May 11th minutes**
d. IRA, AGA and Registration

e. Outreach – Committee Chair Chang explained that the Committee cancelled its meeting so members could attend the Mayor’s State of the City address.

(1) July 10th meeting cancellation notice

f. 4 x 4 Joint Committee on Housing: City Council/Rent Board – Chair Selawsky reported that the Committee discussed golden duplexes, the Rental Housing Safety Program, Council’s appropriation for anti-displacement measures, and the Ad Hoc Subcommittee’s work.

(1) May 5th minutes

(2) July 7th agenda packet

g. 4 x 4 Ad Hoc Committee on Safety, Occupancy and Affordability of Converted Artist Warehouses and Workspaces – Commissioner Townley referred the issue of drafting a model lease for converted warehouses and workspaces to the Habitable & Sustainable Housing Committee.

h. Ad Hoc Committee on the Effects of Costa-Hawkins

i. Ad Hoc Committee on Technology Issues

j. 2 x 2 x 2 Committee on Housing: Council / Rent Board / BUSD

k. Updates and Announcements regarding future Special Meetings

l. Discussion of items for possible placement on future agenda – Commissioner Tregub stated he intends to include reports about how City Council votes on Items 33, and 48 A and B. Item 4.b. was held over to the August meeting.

8. **ADJOURNMENT** – Chair Selawsky adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m. in honor of Elisa Cooper and Betty Olds.