



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR  
June 30, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
From: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager  
Submitted by: Mark Numainville, City Clerk  
Subject: Minutes for Approval

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the minutes for the Council meetings of May 4, 2026 (closed), May 7, 2026 (special), May 11, 2026 (closed), May 12, 2026 (closed and regular), and May 19, 2026 (special and regular).

CONTACT PERSON

Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900

Attachments:

1. May 4, 2026 – Special Closed City Council Meeting
2. May 7, 2026 – Special City Council Meeting
3. May 11, 2026 – Special Closed City Council Meeting
4. May 12, 2026 – Special Closed City Council Meeting
5. May 12, 2026 – Regular City Council Meeting
6. May 19, 2026 – Special City Council Meeting
7. May 19, 2026 – Regular City Council Meeting

# BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

**MONDAY, MAY 4, 2026**

**4:30 P.M.**

2180 MILVIA STREET, BERKELEY, CA 94704

TELECONFERENCE LOCATION – 1619 EDITH STREET, BERKELEY CA 94703

ADENA ISHII, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

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## Preliminary Matters

**Roll Call:** 4:37 p.m.

**Present:** Taplin, Tregub, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii

**Absent:** Kesarwani, Bartlett

**Public Comment - Limited to items on this agenda only – 0 speakers**

## CLOSED SESSION:

The City Council will convene in closed session to meet concerning the following:

**1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION/SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION (Gov. Code § 54956.9, subd. (d)(2), (e)(2))**

Number of potential cases: 1

The City is in receipt of information concerning facts and circumstances that might result in litigation against the City which are known to a potential plaintiff and that pertain to potential employment-related claims by the potential plaintiff against the City.

**Action:** No reportable action taken.

**2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS; GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6**

**Negotiators:** Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager, David White, Deputy City Manager, Maricar Dupaya Budget Manager, Janelle Rodrigues, Human Resources Director, David Coleman, Employee Relations Manager

**Employee Organizations:** Berkeley Fire Fighters Association Local 1227 I.A.F.F., Berkeley Chief Fire Officers Association Local 1227 I.A.F.F., Berkeley Fire EMS Professionals Association, Berkeley Police Association; SEIU 1021 Community Services and Part-Time Recreation Activity Leaders, SEIU 1021 Maintenance and Clerical, IBEW Local 1245, Public Employee Union Local 1, Unrepresented Employees

**Action:** No reportable action taken.

**3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957(b):**

**Title of position to be evaluated:** City Manager

**Action:** No reportable action taken.

## OPEN SESSION:

Public Reports of actions taken pursuant to Government Code section 54957.1.

No reportable actions taken.

## Adjournment

Adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the closed session meeting held on May 4, 2026.

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL**

**Thursday, May 7, 2026  
5:00 PM**

SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD ROOM - 1231 ADDISON STREET, BERKELEY, CA 94702  
TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - 1027 BANCROFT WAY, BERKELEY, CA 94710

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## Preliminary Matters

**Roll Call:** 5:09 p.m.

**Present:** Kesarwani, Taplin, Tregub, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii

**Absent:** Bartlett

Councilmember Bartlett present at 5:17 p.m.

## Action Calendar – Old Business

**Action:** M/S/C (Ishii/Tregub) to suspend the rules and establish a three-hour public comment period with two hours for in-person comments and one hour for online comments.

**Vote:** Ayes – Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett, Tregub, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – O’Keefe.

**1a. Public Safety Technology: Surveillance Technology Ordinance and Police Equipment Ordinance Approvals, Policy Updates, and Contract Authority**  
*(Continued from March 24, 2026) (Item contains revised and supplemental material.)*  
**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the following actions:  
Surveillance Technology Ordinance (BMC 2.99)

1. Accept the Surveillance Acquisition Report and approve the Surveillance Use Policy for the Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) program.

2. Accept the Surveillance Acquisition Report and approve the Surveillance Use Policy for Community Video Streams.

3. Approve updated Surveillance Use Policies for fixed video cameras, reflecting Council-directed revisions to previously approved technology.

Police Equipment Ordinance (BMC 2.100)

4. Accept the Police Equipment Impact Statement and approve the Police Equipment Use Policy for UAS.

Contract Authority

5. Authorize the City Manager to amend the existing contract with Flock Safety to add Drone as First Responder (DFR) hardware, software, and services for an initial three-year term, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000.

6. Authorize the City Manager to amend the existing contract with Flock Safety to add Condor PTZ fixed surveillance cameras for an initial four-year term, in an amount not to exceed \$310,000, with an option to extend for one additional three-year term, for a total not to exceed \$600,000.

7. Authorize the City Manager to amend the existing contract with Flock Safety to add Flock Nova investigative software for a one-year term, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000, funded by the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) grant previously accepted by Council on July 29, 2025.

8. Authorize the City Manager to amend the existing contract with Flock Safety to renew Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs) for a two-year term, in an amount not to exceed \$330,000, with an option to extend for an additional two-year term, for a total not to exceed \$660,000.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Jennifer Louis, Police, (510) 981-5900

## Action Calendar – Old Business

**Action:** M/S/C (Humbert/Kesarwani) to suspend the rules and extend the meeting to 11:15p.m.

**Vote:** Ayes – Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett, Tregub, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert; Noes – Ishii.

**Action:** M/S/Failed (O’Keefe/Lunaparra) to amend the main motion to include the amendments to the UAS Use Policy submitted by Councilmember O’Keefe in Supplemental Communications Packet #2.

**Vote:** Ayes – Tregub, O’Keefe, Lunaparra, Humbert; Noes – Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett, Blackaby, Ishii.

**Action:** 156 speakers. Motion/Seconded (Blackaby/Humbert) to:

1) Not move forward with the full Master Services Agreement (MSA) execution as proposed.

2) Authorize extension of the current contract for Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs) for 12 months for an additional contract amount up to \$200,000.

3) Include in the negotiation of the ALPR contract extension the proposed terms contained in the supplemental materials from Councilmember Humbert and Councilmember Blackaby originally submitted on March 24 and included in the May 7 agenda packet; additionally include the exploration of contract terms with a penalty of \$290,000 per violation.

4) Refer to the City Manager the initiation of an RFP process in consultation with the Police Accountability Board and BPD for each of the components in the MSA and for their integration.

5) Approve Sections 1 – 6, 8, and 9 from the supplemental materials submitted by Mayor Ishii in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 (noted below).

1. *Amend the Surveillance Use Policy for the Unmanned Aerial System (UAS)*
2. *Refer the Community Video Stream Acquisition Report and Surveillance Use Policy to the Public Safety Policy Committee (PSPC) for further review*
3. *Amend the Surveillance Use Policy for Fixed Cameras*
4. *Amend the UAS Equipment Use Policy*
5. *Refer the following request for information to the City Manager to quantify the need for UAS*
6. *Refer the UAS Military Equipment Impact Statement to the City Manager for research and analysis of alternative surveillance technology vendors capable of meeting the City of Berkeley’s safety and surveillance needs while balancing privacy and civil liberties protections*
8. *Refer to the City Manager to amend Ordinance 2.99 to include a violation/termination clause for surveillance technology vendors.*
9. *Refer to the City Manager and City Attorney additional contractual language to require a vendor to inform the City of any request for information (including but not limited to subpoenas, discovery requests, or requests under any federal or state statute to the extent permitted by law) it receives related to City-controlled data and safeguard it to the fullest extent allowed by law.*

## Action Calendar – Old Business

6) Include the following amendments to the policies from Councilmember Lunaparra:

### UAS

*1303.2 Authorized use:*

*10. To respond to ~~active~~ violent criminal activity at mass gatherings or special events only when there is probable cause of a felony and an active threat of serious bodily injury.*

### ALPRs

*Extension of ALPRs should include an efficacy assessment and review for compliance to be presented to Council at least 30 days before the end of the extension*

7) Take no action on Item 1b.

**Action:** Request to Sever the Main Motion by Mayor Ishii. M/S/Carried (Blackaby/Humbert) to approve severed portions #1, #5, #6, and #7 noted above.

**Vote:** Ayes – Kesarwani, Taplin, Tregub, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii; Noes – Bartlett.

**Action:** Request to Sever the Main Motion by Mayor Ishii. M/S/Carried (Blackaby/Humbert) to approve severed portions #2, #3, and #4 noted above.

**Vote:** Ayes – Kesarwani, Taplin, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Humbert; Noes – Bartlett, Tregub, Lunaparra, Ishii.

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,254 –N.S. amended to remove the Whereas clauses and Resolved clauses regarding the Master Services Agreement (MSA) with Flock Safety and the related contract authority; revise the first Resolved clause regarding acceptance and approval of the amended Surveillance Use Policy and Military Equipment Use Policy for UAS; and the approval of the amended Surveillance Use Policy for Fixed Cameras; revise and renumber paragraph 8 to authorize extension of the current contract for Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs) for 12 months for an additional contract amount up to \$200,000.

### 1b. Social Justice Implications of contracts with the Immigration Data Broker, Flock Safety (Continued from April 21, 2026)

**From:** Peace and Justice Commission

**Recommendation:** Approve a Policy approving the following actions with regard to safeguards for Berkeley’s surveillance-derived images and footage: Cancel Berkeley’s Flock Safety contracts for public surveillance images and video footage, due to Flock’s repeated sharing of such data with immigration authorities, and the inherent exposure of “cloud-based” storage to Trump administration access.

**Financial Implications:** None

Contact: Tasha Tervalon, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-7000

**Action:** See action for Item 1a.

## Adjournment

**Action:** M/S/C (Humbert/Tregub) to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

Adjourned at 11:09 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the regular meeting held on May 7, 2026.

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

## Communications

**Item #1a: Public Safety Technology: Surveillance Technology Ordinance and Police Equipment Ordinance Approvals, Policy Updates, and Contract Authority**

**Item #1b: Social Justice Implications of contracts with the Immigration Data Broker, Flock Safety**

1. Jackie Fishbein, on behalf of Flock Group, Inc
2. Commission on Labor
3. Human Welfare & Community Action Commission
4. David Soloff
5. Gabriel du Toit
6. Gael Alcock
7. Vanessa Vega & Brian Pasley
8. Chris Hamilton
9. Christi Tuleja
10. Hali Hammer
11. Peter VanArsdale
12. Bobbie Steinhart
13. Victoria Wesson
14. Irene Rice
15. Vijay Ramesh
16. Melanie Lawrence & John Smail
17. Janice Schroeder
18. Jesse Rosemoore
19. Arlene Owseichik
20. Sonya Baehr
21. Leslie Firestone
22. Justine Kessler
23. Dorothea Dorenz
24. Steen Jensen
25. Stephani Lesh
26. Shirley Kirsten
27. Linda Wood
28. Eric Friedman
29. Margots999

- 30. russbumper
- 31. 11 similarly-worded form letters

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 1

- None

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 2

**Item #1a: Public Safety Technology: Surveillance Technology Ordinance and Police Equipment Ordinance Approvals, Policy Updates, and Contract Authority**

**Item #1b: Social Justice Implications of contracts with the Immigration Data Broker, Flock Safety**

- 32. Supplemental agenda material submitted by the Police Department and the Finance Department
- 33. Supplemental material submitted by Councilmember O'Keefe
- 34. Revised agenda material submitted by Mayor Adena Ishii
- 35. Police Accountability Board
- 36. Merry Frank
- 37. Steve Ravellette, Victoria Cole, and Melissa Kerpel, on behalf of SafeBears Inc.
- 38. Alan Pearson
- 39. Andrea Prichett
- 40. Verna Winters
- 41. Shirlonda Henry
- 42. Laura Schatz (2)
- 43. Rachel Durling
- 44. Jeronimo Martin
- 45. Jane Terjung
- 46. Barbara Schick
- 47. James Marshall
- 48. Andrew Donohoe
- 49. Karen Young and Mike Ravera
- 50. Maneesh Saini
- 51. Greg Bernstein
- 52. Brett Gabby
- 53. Susan McCutchan
- 54. Julie Illi
- 55. vandi\_g
- 56. Nathaniel Emodi
- 57. Luna Calderon
- 58. Franziska Raedeker
- 59. Gerald Bland
- 60. Dale Hanchett
- 61. Patrick Golier
- 62. Robin Beauchamp
- 63. Box Dixon
- 64. Holly Scheider
- 65. Paul Gumpel
- 66. Laura Leipzig
- 67. Stanley Glenn

68. Gregory Snyder
69. Emily Ziebell
70. Jordan Sax
71. Dale Webber
72. Allan Abshez
73. Sonya Tafoya
74. Sherri K.
75. George Cesana
76. Sandra Martin
77. Karen Rothblatt
78. Debbie Reed
79. Djuna Odegard
80. Deneen Proctor
81. Charles King
82. Susan Berman
83. Steven Donaldson
84. Sharon Findlay
85. Bruce Bauer
86. Gary Miguel
87. Alan Phillips
88. Nora Smiriga
89. Michael Rice
90. Teresa Thornton
91. Janeece Cristales
92. MJ Baumann
93. Mallorie Baron
94. Jack Kurzweil (2)
95. Wei-Bing Chen
96. Hayley Cox
97. Mark Abrahams
98. Jill Johnson
99. Shirlonda Henry
100. Laurie Nardinelli
101. Sam Kessel
102. Jason Martens
103. Joan Garbarino
104. Kate Rassbach
105. Jane Wiedlin
106. Christopher Kroll
107. Sam Kaplan Pettus
108. Keith Barton
109. Peter Deibler
110. Sarah Leverett
111. Yvonne Woolsey
112. Sara Betts
113. Sasha Howes
114. Merle Lustig
115. Phoebe Thomas Sorgen
116. Wynd Kaufmyn
117. Ingrid Safranek

118. Carina O'Brien
119. Megan Mellard O'Neil
120. Melanie Lawrence & John Smail (2)
121. Alan Phillips
122. Ross and Robin Berman
123. Kathleen Rose
124. Boona Cheema
125. Jean Waddell
126. Ashley DeVore
127. Maryann Osullivan
128. Stanley E. Glenn
129. Cris Benton
130. Claudia Benton
131. John Waters
132. Larry Hendel
133. Bruce & Linda Bargmeyer
134. Deb DenHerder
135. Carole Burns
136. Mangesh & Suchitra Kolhatkar
137. Victoria Cole
138. Austin Abrams
139. Sandy Lee
140. Kate Rassbach
141. Jennifer Miller
142. Martha Brown
143. Jeffrey Heller
144. John J. Parman
145. Christine Johnston
146. Patricia Slater
147. Charles Carlson
148. Kelly Hammargren
149. Brad Winemiller
150. Judith Thomas
151. Judy Grether
152. Akram Belghith
153. Ariella Granett
154. Robb Godshaw
155. Anita Medal
156. Paul Rickey
157. Melissa Pulling
158. Tony Hansen
159. Vanessa Vega
160. Janice Schroeder
161. S. Omowale Fowles
162. Average macandcheese enjoyer
163. Remmelt Ellen
164. Thomas Deckert
165. Rose White
166. Laura Preuss
167. Masumi Maei Hayashi-Smith

168. Carol Denney
169. Mangesh Kolhatkar
170. Gwen Byard
171. Jeanette McNeil
172. Shilpa Jain
173. Elana Auerbach
174. Mary Ann Meany and Donald Santos
175. Anna Garfink
176. David Korman
177. Danette Davis
178. Johna Pecot
179. Linda Gerson
180. Tim Kingston
181. Alan Phillips
182. Pua Owan
183. Isobel White
184. Micky Duxbury
185. Jennifer Doebler
186. Candice Schott
187. Melanie Curry
188. Nan Gefen
189. Janet Hack
190. Elias Welsh
191. Annabelle Potvin
192. Carol Belcher
193. Amelia Pernel
194. Marcel Hawiger
195. Rebecca Tilley
196. Larry Rail
197. Laurie Schley
198. Helen Finkelstein
199. Marge Sussman
200. Bill Press
201. Karen Bouris
202. Candace Simonen
203. Stephen Wahlstrom
204. Jeff Leyser
205. David Korman
206. Vicki Savitt
207. Susan McCutchan
208. Wolyineka
209. William P. Wreden Jr.
210. Azere Wilson
211. Jo Heilman
212. Ken Berland
213. Betania Goodman
214. Berkeley D1 Resident (2)
215. Anne Wormhoudt
216. Cindy Larson
217. Sara Sunstein

218. Teri Johnstone
219. Peter Metcalf (3)
220. Peggy Radel
221. Noah Kahn
222. Phoebe Thomas Sorgen
223. Julian Foley
224. Liz Ozol
225. Lorian Schaeffer
226. Elizabeth Ferguson
227. Xiaoyuan Li
228. Emily Ziebell
229. Peter Calthorpe
230. Barbara Gilbert
231. Fran Layton
232. Beth Blattenberger
233. Alysse Wishart
234. Deanna Mason
235. Anne-Lise Francois
236. Sonya Baehr
237. Berkeley Neighborhoods Council
238. April Gilbert
239. Frances Holt
240. Koralie Hill
241. Tammy Kreznar on behalf of ACLU NorCal
242. Andrew Johnson
243. Tanya Johnson
244. Signe Henderson
245. Lesli-Jo Sawada
246. Kathy Kojimoto
247. Leslie Firestone
248. Edith Friedman
249. 7 Similarly worded form letters “I am a Berkeley resident...”
250. 38 Similarly worded form letters “I am the parent of a UC Berkeley student...”
251. 214 Similarly worded form letters “ I am writing to urge you to oppose...”

### **Supplemental Communications and Reports 3**

**Item #1a: Public Safety Technology: Surveillance Technology Ordinance and Police Equipment Ordinance Approvals, Policy Updates, and Contract Authority**

**Item #1b: Social Justice Implications of contracts with the Immigration Data Broker, Flock Safety**

252. Sean Arseo
253. Douglas W. James
254. Avi Rappoport
255. Cheryl Brewster
256. Jonathan Holt
257. Luz Buitrago
258. Nora Smiriga
259. Kelly Cooke

260. Eric Friedman
261. Leila Allen
262. Deifler
263. Rebecca Pingree
264. Anandamayi Arnold
265. Fred Dodsworth (2)
266. Christopher Warren
267. Megan Garner
268. Rose E. Aplustill
269. Linda Berkowitz
270. Peter Ciccolo
271. Monika Mann
272. Laura Arriola
273. Jenny Rempel
274. Netsy Firestein
275. Ed Allen
276. David Allen (2)
277. Adrienne McInnis
278. Ian Baker
279. Abigail Tarail
280. Elic Suazo
281. Nisha Saini
282. Crystal Terry
283. Michael Tucker
284. Ed Allen
285. Todd Jalier
286. Risa Dye
287. Lanny DeVuono
288. Samuel Dillon
289. Kate Pocrass
290. Vanessa Nikko Cordova
291. Ben Gardella
292. Peter Deibler
293. Amal C.
294. Catherine Huchting
295. Elise Geske (3)
296. Judith White
297. Rachel Katz
298. Joan Garbarino
299. Katherine Sharpe
300. Christine Staples
301. Cindy Shamban
302. Joanne Carder
303. Chrissy Hoffman
304. Sally Nelson
305. Linda Konkoski
306. Betsy Bigelow-Teller
307. Subarna Mitra
308. Kelsey Kofford
309. Joanna M.

310. Laura Hill
311. Marilyn Cleveland
312. Craig Peterson
313. Jean Tepperman
314. Rachel Vimont
315. Allison Banks
316. John Coveney
317. Jeffrey Church on behalf of Visit Berkeley
318. Ashley McClure
319. Kitty Calavita
320. Crystal Brunzell
321. Julia Chervin
322. Ary Smith
323. Rafael Gonzalez (2)
324. Amanda Whitehead
325. Barbara Gilbert
326. Thu-Anh Nelson
327. Diana Lempel
328. Max Gomberg
329. Patricia Campbell
330. David Moren
331. Jeremiah Maller
332. Diane Tokugawa
333. Tony Boyle
334. Akemi Osajima
335. Anand Patel
336. Virginia Browning
337. Vivek Kembaiyan
338. David Fisher
339. Sheila Newbery
340. Melissa Ploysophon
341. Erika Andersen
342. Geoff Lomax
343. Daniel Borgstrom
344. Todd Seeley
345. Julian Friedman
346. Janie Hall
347. Steve Gilmartin
348. Lori Gray
349. Kristine Dixon
350. Stephen Leake
351. Samantha Johnston
352. Geraldine Clifford
353. Indivisible Berkeley NC/AC Team
354. Nina Haft
355. Mary Lynn Morales
356. David Gifford
357. Tania Schwartz
358. Brian Hofer on behalf of Secure Justice
359. 18 Similarly worded form letters "While BPD promotes..."

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**Miscellaneous**

361. Unknown

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## Preliminary Matters

**Roll Call:** 3:05 p.m.

**Present:** Tregub, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii

**Absent:** Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett, O'Keefe

Councilmember O'Keefe present at 3:08 p.m.

Councilmember Taplin arrived during closed session.

**Public Comment - Limited to items on this agenda only** – 0 speakers

## CLOSED SESSION:

The City Council will convene in closed session to meet concerning the following:

**1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – LIABILITY CLAIMS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 54956.95**

**Claimant:** Zhu, Xia "Bonnie"

**Subject:** Application for Leave to Present a Late Claim (Gov. Code § 910.6)

**Action:** M/S/C (Humbert/Lunaparra) to approve the staff recommendation to accept the late-filed claim.

**Vote:** Ayes – Tregub, O'Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett.

**2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957(b):**

**Title of position to be evaluated:** City Attorney

**Action:** No reportable action taken.

## OPEN SESSION:

Public Reports of actions taken pursuant to Government Code section 54957.1.

The City Council voted to grant the application of Claimant Xia "Bonnie" Zhu to file a late claim under Government Code section 911.4.

## Adjournment

**Action:** M/S/C (Humbert/Tregub) to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote:** Ayes – Taplin, Tregub, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii;  
Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Kesarwani, Bartlett.

Adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the closed session meeting held on May 11, 2026.

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

## BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2026

5:00 P.M.

SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD ROOM – 1231 ADDISON STREET, BERKELEY, CA 94702

ADENA ISHII, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

DISTRICT 1 – RASHI KESARWANI  
DISTRICT 2 – TERRY TAPLIN  
DISTRICT 3 – BEN BARTLETT  
DISTRICT 4 – IGOR TREGUB

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## Preliminary Matters

**Roll Call:** 5:07 p.m.

**Present:** Tregub, O'Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii

**Absent:** Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett

Councilmember Taplin present at 5:23 p.m.

**Public Comment - Limited to items on this agenda only – 0 speakers**

## CLOSED SESSION:

The City Council will convene in closed session to meet concerning the following:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(2): one case.**

**Action:** No reportable action taken.

## OPEN SESSION:

Public Reports of actions taken pursuant to Government Code section 54957.1.

No reportable action taken.

## Adjournment

**Action:** M/S/C (Taplin/Tregub) to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote:** Ayes – Taplin, Tregub, O'Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii;  
Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Kesarwani, Bartlett.

Adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the closed session meeting held on May 12, 2026.

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

**MINUTES**  
**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, May 12, 2026**  
**6:00 PM**

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## Preliminary Matters

**Roll Call:** 6:08 p.m.

**Present:** Kesarwani, Taplin, Tregub, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii

**Absent:** Bartlett

Councilmember Bartlett present at 6:25 p.m.

**Land Acknowledgement Statement:** *The City of Berkeley recognizes that the community we live in was built on the territory of xučyun (Huchiun (Hooch-yoon)), the ancestral and unceded land of the Chochenyo (Cho-chen-yo)-speaking Ohlone (Oh-low-nee) people, the ancestors and descendants of the sovereign Verona Band of Alameda County. This land was and continues to be of great importance to all of the Ohlone Tribes and descendants of the Verona Band. As we begin our meeting tonight, we acknowledge and honor the original inhabitants of Berkeley, the documented 5,000-year history of a vibrant community at the West Berkeley Shellmound, and the Ohlone people who continue to reside in the East Bay. We recognize that Berkeley’s residents have and continue to benefit from the use and occupation of this unceded stolen land since the City of Berkeley’s incorporation in 1878. As stewards of the laws regulating the City of Berkeley, it is not only vital that we recognize the history of this land, but also recognize that the Ohlone people are present members of Berkeley and other East Bay communities today. The City of Berkeley will continue to build relationships with the Lisjan Tribe and to create meaningful actions that uphold the intention of this land acknowledgement.*

### Ceremonial Matters:

1. Recognition of Jewish-American Heritage Month – May 2026
2. Recognition of Affordable Housing Month – May 2026
3. Recognition of Muslim Holidays Eid-al-Fitr and Eid-al-Adha

**City Manager Comments:** None

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters:** 10 speakers.

**Public Comment by Employee Unions:** 0 speakers.

## Consent Calendar

**Public Comment on Consent Calendar and Information Items Only:** 4 speakers.

**Action:** M/S/C (Tregub/Humbert) to adopt the Consent Calendar in one motion except as indicated.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Consent Calendar

### 1. Sale of Real Property – 1631 Fifth Street

**From:** City Manager

**Recommendation:** Adopt second reading of Ordinance No. 8,006-N.S. approving the sale of City property at 1631 Fifth Street and authorizing the City Manager to execute all necessary documents required to sell the property for \$750,000.

**First Reading Vote:** All Ayes.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Eleanor Hollander, Economic Development, (510) 981-7530

**Action:** Adopted second reading of Ordinance No. 8,006–N.S.

### 2. Amendments to Berkeley Municipal Code Title 23 (Zoning) for Consistency with State Law and Technical Edits (SLTE 2026)

**From:** City Manager

**Recommendation:** Adopt second reading of Ordinance No. 8,007-N.S. amending Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) Title 23. The proposed changes apply to the sections of the BMC listed below:

- Section 23.202.020 (Residential Districts – Allowed Land Uses)
- Section 23.202.050 (Residential Districts – R-1 Residential Multi-Unit 1 District)
- Section 23.202.080 (Residential Districts – R-2 Residential Multi-Unit 2 District)
- Section 23.202.090 (Residential Districts – R-2A Residential Multi-Unit 2A District)
- Section 23.206.030 (Manufacturing Districts – Additional Permit Requirements)
- Section 23.206.060 (Manufacturing Districts – M Manufacturing District)
- Section 23.206.070 (Manufacturing Districts – MM Mixed Manufacturing District)
- Section 23.206.080 (Manufacturing Districts – MU-LI Mixed Use-Light Industrial District)
- Section 23.206.090 (Manufacturing Districts – MU-R Mixed Use Residential District)
- Section 23.304.100 (General Development Standards – Site Features in Residential)
- Section 23.306.030 (Accessory Dwelling Units – Development Standards)
- Section 23.306.040 (Accessory Dwelling Units – Permit Procedures)
- Section 23.322.040 (Parking and Loading – General Requirements)
- Section 23.322.050 (Parking and Loading – Parking Reductions)
- Section 23.322.100 (Parking and Loading – On-site Loading Spaces)
- Section 23.326.070 (Demolition of Non-Residential Buildings)
- Section 23.330.030 (Density Bonus—Application Requirements)
- Section 23.330.080 (Density Bonus – Regulatory Agreements)
- Section 23.410.020 (Appeals and Certifications – Appeal Subjects and Jurisdiction)
- Section 23.502.020 (Glossary – Defined Terms)

**First Reading Vote:** All Ayes.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400

**Action:** Adopted second reading of Ordinance No. 8,007–N.S.

## Consent Calendar

- 3. 1646 and 1650 Fifth Street Re-Zoning and Associated General Plan Amendments**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt second reading of Ordinance No. 8,008-N.S. amending the Zoning Map to rezone portions of 1646 and 1650 Fifth Street from Mixed Use-Light Industrial (MU-LI) to Mixed Use-Residential (MU-R).  
**First Reading Vote:** All Ayes.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400  
**Action:** Adopted second reading of Ordinance No. 8,008–N.S.
- 4. Police Accountability Board – Appointment of New Member**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution appointing a new member to the Police Accountability Board (PAB) nominated by Councilmember Tregub.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,255–N.S.
- 5. Contract No. 32600118 Amendment: Clariti for Special Events Permitting Software**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend existing contract with Clariti Cloud, Inc. (Contract No. 32600118) to add a Special Event permitting module to the City’s new permitting platform, in an amount not to exceed \$121,000, for a new total not-to-exceed amount of \$5,480,128.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Peter Radu, City Manager's Office, (510) 981-7000, Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,256–N.S.
- 6. Formal Bid Solicitations and Request for Proposals Scheduled for Possible Issuance After Council Approval on May 12, 2026**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Approve the request for proposals or invitation for bids (attached to staff report) that will be, or are planned to be, issued upon final approval by the requesting department or division. All contracts over the City Manager’s threshold will be returned to Council for final approval.  
**Financial Implications:** \$1,700,000 - Various Funds  
Contact: Henry Oyekanmi, Finance, (510) 981-7300  
**Action:** Approved recommendation.

## Consent Calendar

- 7. Contract No. 32100110 Amendment: JotForm, Inc. for a HIPAA Compliant Platform to Support Clinical Services**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32100110 with JotForm, Inc. by adding \$39,832, bringing the contract total to an amount not to exceed \$149,050 and extending the end date through May 13, 2028.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,257–N.S.
- 8. Contract No. 32300108 Fifth Amendment: Street Level Advisors, LLC for Housing Consulting Services**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute a fifth amendment to Contract No. 32300108 with Street Level Advisors, LLC increasing the contract by \$146,310 for consulting services in a total amount not to exceed \$562,260, with a contract end date of September 30, 2027.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,258–N.S.
- 9. Contract No. 32300207 Amendment: Easy Does It for Accessible Wheelchair Van Services for Seniors & the Disabled**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to amend Contract No. 32300207 with Easy Does It increasing the amount by \$57,000 for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$232,000. These services support accessible wheelchair van services to customers of the Aging Services Division’s Berkeley Rides for Seniors & the Disabled program.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,259–N.S.
- 10. Contract No. 32300180 Amendment: GoGo Technologies, Inc. for Transportation Services for Seniors & the Disabled**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee, to amend Contract No. 32300180 with GoGo Technologies, Inc. for a 24/7 concierge call center to arrange rides with Uber and Lyft for the City’s seniors and disabled community. This amendment will add \$500,000 in funding for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, for a not to exceed amount of \$1,000,000.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,260–N.S.

## Consent Calendar

**11. Revenue Grant Agreements: Funding Support from Essential Access Health to Conduct Public Health Services**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee to submit a grant application to Essential Access Health, to accept the grant, execute any resultant revenue agreement and amendment, and implement the projects and appropriation of funding for related expenses to conduct public health promotion, protection, and prevention services for the Essential Access Health revenue agreement in the projected amount of \$120,000 for April 1, 2026 to March 30, 2027.

**Financial Implications:** See report.

Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,261–N.S.

**12. Revenue Grant Agreements: Funding Support from the State of California and Alameda County to Conduct Public Health Services**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt two Resolutions authorizing the City Manager or designee to submit grant agreements to the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and Alameda County, to accept the grants, and execute any resultant revenue agreements and amendments to conduct public health promotion, protection, and prevention services for the following two revenue agreements:

1. Tuberculosis (TB) Prevention and Control in the projected amount of \$16,361 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 from CDPH. (Fund: 312)

2. Public Health Infrastructure Program in the projected amount of \$32,080 for FY 2027 from Alameda County. (Fund: 312)

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,262–N.S. (Tuberculosis Prevention), Resolution No. 72,263–N.S. (Public Health Infrastructure).

**13. Contracts: As-needed Tree Services**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt four Resolutions authorizing the City Manager to execute the following contracts, and any amendments, extensions, or other change orders for as-needed tree services, each for a period of May 29, 2026 to May 28, 2029:

1. Bay Area Tree Specialist, for an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000.

2. Hamilton Tree Service, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000.

3. The Professional Tree Care Company, for an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000.

4. West Coast Arborists, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$1,050,000.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Scott Ferris, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront, (510) 981-6700

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,264–N.S. (Bay Area Tree), Resolution No. 72,265–N.S. (Hamilton Tree), Resolution No. 72,266–N.S. (The Professional), Resolution No. 72,267–N.S. (West Coast).

## Consent Calendar

**14. License Agreement – Aqua SuperPower, Inc. for Marine Electric Vessel Charging Station at K Dock at the Berkeley Marina**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a license agreement with Aqua SuperPower, Inc. to install and operate a marine electric vessel charging station at K Dock at the Berkeley Marina for a period of 12 years.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Scott Ferris, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront, (510) 981-6700

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,268–N.S.

**15a. Exploitation of Vulnerable Homeowners** *(Reviewed by the Land Use, Housing & Economic Development Committee)*

**From: Commission on the Status of Women**

**Recommendation:** That Council refer to the City Manager to direct the Department of Health and Human Services and other relevant departments and divisions to draft materials, written and visual (DVDs/VHS) to provide to homeowners vulnerable to exploitation, those being older and minority homeowners subject to exploitation from realtors, appraisers, lenders, speculators and others. For the appropriate department or division to identify a means of distribution of these materials to locations frequented by older and minority homeowners including senior centers, community organizations, medical providers and faith-based organizations. To promote the availability of these materials through public notices and local media. To return to Council with the draft materials and proposed locations of distribution within 6 months of the passage of this recommendation at Council. That in addition to English, materials be written, spoken, and otherwise communicated in other languages in which residents in Berkeley communicate.

*Policy Committee Recommendation: Send the commission item and the companion report to the City Council with a qualified positive recommendation that the Council refer the items to the Commission on Aging for further development. Further recommend that the Commission on Aging research existing models and templates, and consider a regional approach to design and distribution materials.*

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Okeya Vance-Dozier, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-7100

**Action:** See action for Item 15b.

## Consent Calendar

- 15b. Companion Report: Exploitation of Vulnerable Homeowners** *(Reviewed by the Land Use, Housing & Economic Development Committee)*  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Support the Policy Committee's recommendation for this item.  
*Policy Committee Recommendation: Send the commission item and the companion report to the City Council with a qualified positive recommendation that the Council refer the items to the Commission on Aging for further development. Further recommend that the Commission on Aging research existing models and templates, and consider a regional approach to design and distribution materials.*  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100  
**Action:** Approved recommendation as recommended by the Land Use, Housing & Economic Development Committee.

## Council Consent Items

- 16. Berkeley Juneteenth Festival: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds**  
**From: Councilmember Bartlett (Author), Mayor Ishii (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Approve the expenditure of funds, including \$2500 from Councilmember Bartlett for pre-planning of the Berkeley Juneteenth Festival (organized by Berkeley Juneteenth Association, Inc., 501(c)3), with funds relinquished to the City's General Fund for this purpose from the discretionary council office budget of Councilmember Bartlett and any other Councilmembers who would like to contribute.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Ben Bartlett, Councilmember, District 3, (510) 981-7130  
**Action:** Councilmembers Taplin and Blackaby added as co-sponsors. Adopted Resolution No. 72,269–N.S. revised to include contributions from the following Councilmembers up to the amounts listed: Councilmember Kesarwani - \$100; Councilmember Blackaby - \$500; Councilmember Lunaparra - \$200; Councilmember Tregub - \$200; Councilmember Humbert - \$250; Councilmember Taplin - \$250; Councilmember O'Keefe - \$250; Mayor Ishii - \$250.

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

**17. Lease Agreement: Patpatia & Associates, Inc. for 125-127 University Avenue  
From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt first reading of an Ordinance executing a lease agreement with Patpatia & Associates, Inc. to lease second floor office space located at 125-127 University Avenue in the Berkeley Waterfront. The initial lease term is anticipated to begin July 1, 2026 and end June 30, 2029, with two-1-year options to extend.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Scott Ferris, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront, (510) 981-6700

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 0 speakers.

M/S/C (Kesarwani/Humbert) to close the public hearing.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Blackaby/Kesarwani) to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 8,009–N.S. Second reading scheduled for June 9, 2026.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Public Comment – Items Not Listed on the Agenda - 1 speaker.

### Adjournment

**Action:** M/S/C (Taplin/Tregub) to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

Adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

## Communications

### Budget Concerns

1. Homeless Services Panel of Experts
2. Kristine Dixon
3. Walter Wood
4. Barbara Gilbert
5. David Lerman (2)
6. Tom Bellingham
7. Eric Friedman (2)
8. Julia Lauren
9. Joel Libove

10. Abhijit Bhat
11. Sarah Baughn
12. George Perezvelez
13. John F. Clarke
14. Fred Krieger
15. Jane Tierney
16. John Hershberger

**Zoning**

17. Robert Cooperstein
18. Barbara Hadenfeldt
19. Victor Ichioka
20. John J. Parman (2)
21. Todd Andrew
22. Laura Klein
23. Margot Smith
24. Stephen Alpert (4)

**Hopkins Street**

25. Alan Gould
26. Stephen Alpert
27. Heath Maddox
28. Eli Doberne-Rokach
29. Patty Lipinska
30. Katherine de Runtz
31. Ben Gerhardstein and Karen Parolek, on behalf of Walk Bike Berkeley, and Libby Lee-Egan, on behalf of North Berkeley Now!
32. Kim Haltiner
33. William Springer
34. Seth Gold
35. Bill Hickman
36. Sarah Wittmer
37. Shirley Kirsten (3)
38. Matthew Dimond
39. Grace Munakata
40. David White
41. Michela Lee
42. Josie Gerst
43. Michael Tompkins
44. Jennifer Cole
45. Leni Siegel
46. Calla Schmidt (and Silas)
47. Rachel Bradley
48. Michael Frantz
49. Carol Goines
50. Sonya Baehr (2)
51. Chris Hamilton
52. D.

- 53. Marguerite Lee
- 54. Ross Knight
- 55. Jean Weininger

**Repaving Request**

- 56. Aine Le
- 57. Etsuko Tobar
- 58. Sam Kessel
- 59. Kessa Giles
- 60. David Giles
- 61. Art Goldberg

**Rename City Park**

- 62. Daniel Borgstrom
- 63. judyandrich
- 64. Sally Nelson
- 65. Gerald Derblich
- 66. Virginia Browning (2)
- 67. Ken Blum
- 68. Jennifer Chou
- 69. Sherry Shannon
- 70. Everett Wetchler
- 71. Ryan Casey
- 72. Gianna Michael

**EMBER and Zone Zero**

- 73. Deirdre Duhan
- 74. Susan McCutchan
- 75. Jane Terjung & Bill Naylor
- 76. James H. Hurley
- 77. Mona Halaby
- 78. Irene Brydon
- 79. Cindy Larson
- 80. Chief David Sprague

**Gabe Catalfo Fields**

- 81. Celine Bonfils
- 82. Orion and Brie Fulton
- 83. Irene Reyes-Kaludi, on behalf of Bay Area Adult Soccer League and Ted Steen, on behalf of Eastshore Alliance Futbol Club

**Street Sweeping**

- 84. David Lerman
- 85. Scott Stewart

**Ferry Project Comments and DEIR**

- 86. Charley Paffenbarger
- 87. Liza McNulty
- 88. Mike Vandeman
- 89. Clifford Fred

90. Paul Kamen (5)

**Berkeley World Cup Logo**

91. Jeffrey Church, on behalf of Visit Berkeley

**SF Mime Troop**

92. Summer Brenner

**Parking Meters**

93. Lucas Miller

**Promoting Local Businesses**

94. Eric Friedman

**Blue Curb at 1231 Addison**

95. Alfred Twu

**Parking at 6<sup>th</sup> & Bancroft Way**

96. Rachel Berry

**Crosswalk at College Avenue and Garber Street**

97. Anne Whyte

**Tier 2 Transit Stops in Berkeley**

98. Ron Kelly

**UC Berkeley Construction and Noise Concerns**

99. Julia Lauren

100. Daniel Auten

**Proclamation Request**

101. Jo-Hsin (Stacy) Tang

**2128 Oxford Street and Zoning Adjustments Board Meeting**

102. Steven Schuyler (8)

**Daylighting Law Concerns**

103. Shirley Kirsten (4)

**Missing Person Report Concerns**

104. Hanifea Click (2)

105. Desma Patterson (2)

106. Angela Floyd

107. Jody

**Animal Rights Concerns**

108. Matthew A. King

109. Richard Woods

**Shen Yun Performances**

110. Joel Ng

**Access to Basic Needs Concerns**

111. Elizabeth Johnston (2)

**Public Disturbance**

112. Elizabeth Johnston (2)

**Public Radio**

113. Eid

**Trafficking Concern**

114. Jodi Schiller

**Links and Forwards**

115. russbumper (4)

116. crustyrusty

**Upcoming Events**

117. Adriana Betti, on behalf of R.I.S.E.

118. Daley Michael, on behalf of Shake Shack (2)

119. Downtown Berkeley Association

120. Visit Berkeley

121. Port of Oakland

122. Berkeley Art Center

**eScooters**

123. Robert Borghese (12)

124. Carson Lepre/Anosh Dumasia/Antonio Vargas on behalf of Veo (12)

**Supplemental Communications and Reports 1**

- None

**Supplemental Communications and Reports 2**

**Item #5: Contract No. 32600118 Amendment: Clariti for Special Events Permitting Software**

125. Lisa Bullwinkel

**Item #10: Contract No. 32300180 Amendment: GoGo Technologies, Inc. for Transportation Services for Seniors & the Disabled**

126. Gregory Kalkanis

**Item #16: Berkeley Juneteenth Festival: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds**

127. Delores Nochi Cooper on behalf Berkeley Juneteenth Cultural Celebrations

**Supplemental Communications and Reports 3**

- None

**MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, May 19, 2026  
4:00 PM**

SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD ROOM - 1231 ADDISON STREET, BERKELEY, CA 94702

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## Preliminary Matters

**Roll Call:** 4:03 p.m.

**Present:** Tregub, O'Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii

**Absent:** Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett

Councilmember Taplin present at 4:09 p.m.

Councilmember Kesarwani present at 4:16 p.m.

Councilmember Bartlett present at 4:42 p.m.

## Action Calendar – New Business

### 1. **Presentation and Discussion of Second Community Survey Results and Direction Regarding Potential Ballot Measures for the November 3, 2026, General Municipal Election**

**From:** City Manager

**Recommendation:** Review the results of the second community survey and provide direction to the City Manager and City Attorney regarding potential ballot measures for the November 3, 2026, General Municipal Election, including whether to:

1. Affirm the direction to prepare ballot language for a potential \$300 million General Obligation bond measure for the November 3, 2026, ballot to fund priority infrastructure investments;
2. Provide input on the list of infrastructure projects for the \$300 million General Obligation bond; and
3. Affirm the direction to prepare ballot language for a potential 0.5 percent increase in the City's sales and use tax for the November 3, 2026, ballot to address the City's projected General Fund structural deficit and support essential City services.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: David White, City Manager's Office, (510) 981-7000

**Action:** 15 speakers. M/S/C (Taplin/Tregub) to:

1. Affirm the direction to prepare ballot language for a potential \$300 million General Obligation bond measure for the November 3, 2026, ballot to fund priority infrastructure investments; and

2. Affirm the direction to prepare ballot language for a potential 0.5 percent increase in the City's sales and use tax for the November 3, 2026, ballot to address the City's projected General Fund structural deficit and support essential City services.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Adjournment

**Action:** M/S/C (Taplin/Lunaparra) to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

Adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the special meeting held on May 19, 2026.

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

## Communications

### **Item #1: Presentation and Discussion of Second Community Survey Results and Direction Regarding Potential Ballot Measures for the November 3, 2026, General Municipal Election**

1. Phil Allen
2. Larry and Mary Ann Wight
3. Susan Schwartz on behalf of Friend of Five Creeks
4. Emma Gobler
5. Lisa Cain
6. Nina
7. Katherine Schaaf
8. Susan Austin
9. Jeffrey J. Carter
10. Jan Ruchlis

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 1

- None

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 2

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11. Ray Yep
12. Nicola Reinhardt
13. Laura A Schmidt
14. Sarah Watts
15. Joel Myerson
16. Todd Jersey

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 3

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17. Presentation submitted by the City Manager's Office
18. John Callaway

19. Linda and Steven Rosen

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## Preliminary Matters

**Roll Call:** 6:26 p.m.

**Present:** Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett, Tregub, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii

**Absent:** None

**Land Acknowledgement Statement:** *The City of Berkeley recognizes that the community we live in was built on the territory of xučyun (Huchiun (Hooch-yoon)), the ancestral and unceded land of the Chochenyo (Cho-chen-yo)-speaking Ohlone (Oh-low-nee) people, the ancestors and descendants of the sovereign Verona Band of Alameda County. This land was and continues to be of great importance to all of the Ohlone Tribes and descendants of the Verona Band. As we begin our meeting tonight, we acknowledge and honor the original inhabitants of Berkeley, the documented 5,000-year history of a vibrant community at the West Berkeley Shellmound, and the Ohlone people who continue to reside in the East Bay. We recognize that Berkeley’s residents have and continue to benefit from the use and occupation of this unceded stolen land since the City of Berkeley’s incorporation in 1878. As stewards of the laws regulating the City of Berkeley, it is not only vital that we recognize the history of this land, but also recognize that the Ohlone people are present members of Berkeley and other East Bay communities today. The City of Berkeley will continue to build relationships with the Lisjan Tribe and to create meaningful actions that uphold the intention of this land acknowledgement.*

### Ceremonial Matters:

1. Recognition of Public Works Week, May 17-23, 2026
2. Recognition of the Willard Park Clubhouse Replacement Project – Award of Excellence Recipient

### City Manager Comments:

The City Manager noted that the Bike Plan will be on the June 9, 2026 agenda.

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters:** 9 speakers.

## Consent Calendar

**Public Comment on Consent Calendar and Information Items Only:** 21 speakers.

**Action:** M/S/C (Taplin/Tregub) to adopt the Consent Calendar in one motion except as indicated.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Consent Calendar

- 1. Amendment: FY 2026 Annual Appropriations Ordinance**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt the first reading of an Ordinance amending the FY 2026 Annual Appropriations Ordinance No. 7,993–N.S. for fiscal year 2026 based upon recommended re-appropriation of committed FY 2025 funding and other adjustments in the amount of \$17,362,804 (gross) and \$16,419,776 (net).  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Maricar Dupaya, Budget Manager, (510) 981-7000  
**Action:** Adopted first reading of Ordinance No. 8,010–N.S. Second reading scheduled for June 9, 2026.
- 2. Minutes for Approval**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Approve the minutes for the Council meetings of April 14, 2026 (regular), April 20, 2026 (closed), April 21, 2026 (regular), and April 28, 2026 (regular).  
**Financial Implications:** None  
Contact: Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900  
**Action:** Approved the minutes as submitted.
- 3. 2026 Records Retention Schedule**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution approving the revised Records Retention Schedule in compliance with the City’s Records Management Program and rescinding Resolution No. 68,661-N.S.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,270–N.S.
- 4. Contract: Granicus for Short-Term Rental Monitoring and Tax Compliance**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Granicus for short-term rental monitoring and tax compliance in an amount not to exceed \$450,000 for the term of June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2029 with an option to extend 2 years for an additional \$350,000 for a total NTE amount of \$800,000. The City will piggyback off OMNIA cooperative agreement Region 14 ESC – TX 159768  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Henry Oyekanmi, Finance, (510) 981-7300  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,271–N.S.

## Consent Calendar

**5. New Contract: First Shield Security for Citywide Security Services**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments with First Shield Security to provide security services at various City locations and facilities in an amount not to exceed \$3,080,000 for the term of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2029 with two one-year options for a total of 5 years and a total not to exceed \$5,207,000 including a \$600,000 contingency and subject to the City's annual budget appropriation process.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Henry Oyekanmi, Finance, (510) 981-7300

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,272–N.S.

**6. Joint Homekey+ Application for Supportive Housing in People's Park at 2556 Haste St.**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt two Resolutions approving the following actions in support of a Homekey+ program funding allocation by: 1. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to prepare and submit a joint application with Satellite Affordable Housing Associates (SAHA) to the State of California Housing and Community Development (HCD) Department's Homekey+ program for the Supportive Housing in People's Park project, which will provide permanent supportive housing for people experiencing homelessness. 2. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to take all necessary actions for the City's participation in HCD's Homekey+ program, including entering into HCD's Standard Agreement and any amendments. 3. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all original or amended documents or agreements necessary to effectuate these actions.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,273–N.S. (Approval to Submit Application), Resolution No. 72,274–N.S. (Authorizing Application) – including revisions in Supplemental Communications Packet #1 from Health, Housing, and Community Services Department.

## Consent Calendar

**7. Joint Homekey+ Application for Insight Housing's North Berkeley BART Permanent Supportive Housing Project**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt two Resolutions approving the following actions in support of a Homekey+ program funding allocation by: 1. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to prepare and submit a joint application with Insight Housing (Insight) to the State of California Housing and Community Development (HCD) Department's Homekey+ program for the North Berkeley BART (NBB) Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) project, which will provide permanent supportive housing for people experiencing homelessness. 2. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to take all necessary actions for the City's participation in HCD's Homekey+ program, including entering into HCD's Standard Agreement and any amendments. 3. Authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute all original or amended documents or agreements necessary to effectuate these actions.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,275–N.S. (Approval to Submit Application), Resolution No. 72,276–N.S. (Authorizing Application).

**8. Amendment to BMC Chapter 2.100 to Subject Pepper Spray to the Approval and Reporting Requirements of the Police Equipment Ordinance**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt the first reading of an Ordinance amending Berkeley Municipal Code Section 2.100.040 to add pepper spray to the list of police equipment subject to the approval processes and reporting requirements defined in Chapter 12.8 of the California Government Code and BMC Chapter 2.100, and to require reporting on the administration of first aid following each use of pepper spray.

**Financial Implications:** Staff time

Contact: Jennifer Louis, Police, (510) 981-5900

**Action:** Adopted first reading of Ordinance No. 8,011–N.S. Second reading scheduled for June 9, 2026.

**9. \*\*\*Removed from Agenda by the City Manager\*\*\* 2026 Bicycle Plan Update**

**From: City Manager**

Contact: Wahid Amiri, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

## Consent Calendar

10. **Contract: B Bros Construction, Inc. for South Berkeley Senior Center Water Heater Replacement Project**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution: 1. Approving plans and specifications for the South Berkeley Senior Center Water Heater Replacement Project (Specification No. 26-11781-C); and 2. Accepting the bid of B Bros Construction, Inc. as the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder; and 3. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments, extensions, or change orders until the Project is completed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications for an amount not to exceed \$578,514 which includes a contingency of \$96,419 for the term of June 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027.  
**Financial Implications:** Measure T1 Fund - \$578,514  
Contact: Wahid Amiri, Public Works, (510) 981-6300  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,277–N.S.
11. **Contract: Bay Construction Co. for Transfer Station Aboveground Storage Tank**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution: 1. Approving plans and specifications for Transfer Station Aboveground Storage Tank (Project), Specification No. 25-11733-C; and 2. Accepting the bid of Bay Construction Co. as the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder; and 3. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments, extensions, or change orders until the Project is completed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications for an amount not to exceed \$654,636, which includes a contingency of \$109,106.  
**Financial Implications:** Zero Waste Fund - \$765,600  
Contact: Wahid Amiri, Public Works, (510) 981-6300  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,278–N.S.
12. **Contract: Bay Construction for Public Safety Building Jail Automation Upgrades**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution: 1. Approving plans and specifications for Public Safety Building Automation Upgrades; and 2. Accepting the bid of Bay Construction as the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder; and 3. Authorize the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments, extensions, or change orders until the project is completed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications for an amount not to exceed \$1,308,973, which includes a contingency of \$218,162.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Wahid Amiri, Public Works, (510) 981-6300  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,279–N.S.

## Consent Calendar

13. **Draft Update to the Bike Plan**  
**From: Disaster and Fire Safety Commission**  
**Recommendation:** Direct staff to modify and revise the Draft Update to the Bike Plan dated July 29, 2025, to take into consideration recommendations from the DFSC outlined in the report.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Keith May, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-3473  
**Action:** Approved recommendation.
14. **Recommendation to Add Three Ceremonial Street Name Signs in honor of Daniel Ellsberg on Kittredge Street**  
**From: Transportation and Infrastructure Commission**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution to install three ceremonial street name signs, saying Daniel Ellsberg Way, in honor of Daniel Ellsberg on Kittredge Street — one at each of the southwest corners of Kittredge at Milvia Street, Kittredge at Harold Way and Kittredge at Fulton Street.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Mark Helmbrecht, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6300  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,280–N.S.

## Council Consent Items

15. **Referral to Incorporate Food Insecurity as a Funded Category in Future Community Agency Grant Funding Cycles** (*Reviewed by the Budget & Finance Committee*)  
**From: Councilmember Kesarwani (Author), Councilmember Humbert (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Referral to the City Manager to establish food insecurity as a funded category for the next Community Agency RFP process which will be released roughly late summer, 2027 through early 2028, and for subsequent funding cycles to ensure city funds are permanently allocated to address this key priority and maximize sustainability for relevant non-profits.  
*Policy Committee Recommendation: Send the item to Council with a positive recommendation as amended to establish food insecurity as a funded category for the next community agency RFP process.*  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Rashi Kesarwani, Councilmember, District 1, (510) 981-7110  
**Action:** Councilmember Tregub and Mayor Ishii added as co-sponsors. Approved recommendation as recommended by the Budget & Finance Committee.

## Council Consent Items

16. **Berkeley Humane’s 12th Annual Pints for Paws Fundraiser: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds from General Funds and Grant of Such Funds From: Councilmember Taplin (Author), Councilmember Humbert (Co-Sponsor), Mayor Ishii (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Blackaby (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$500 per councilmember, including \$500 from Councilmember Taplin, to support Berkeley Humane’s 12th Annual Pints for Paws Fundraiser.  
**Financial Implications:** Councilmembers' Discretionary Funds - \$500  
Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,281–N.S. revised to include contributions from the following Councilmembers up to the amounts listed: Councilmember Tregub - \$100; Councilmember O’Keefe - \$250; Councilmember Humbert - \$250; Councilmember Blackaby - \$250; Councilmember Lunaparra - \$200; Councilmember Kesarwani - \$100; Councilmember Bartlett - \$200; Mayor Ishii - \$250.
17. **100 Black Men of the Bay Area’s Tommie Smith Youth Track Meet: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds from General Funds and Grant of Such Funds**  
**From: Councilmember Taplin (Author), Councilmember Bartlett (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Lunaparra (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Blackaby (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$500 per councilmember, including \$500 from Councilmember Taplin, to support 100 Black Men of the Bay Area’s Tommie Smith Youth Track Meet.  
**Financial Implications:** Councilmembers' Discretionary Funds - \$500  
Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,282–N.S. revised to include contributions from the following Councilmembers up to the amounts listed: Councilmember Tregub - \$100; Councilmember O’Keefe - \$250; Councilmember Humbert - \$100; Councilmember Blackaby - \$500; Councilmember Lunaparra - \$200; Councilmember Kesarwani - \$100; Councilmember Bartlett - \$250; Mayor Ishii - \$250.

## Council Consent Items

- 18. Berkeley Flea Market Art Walk Event: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds to General Fund and Grant of Such Funds**  
**From: Councilmember Bartlett (Author)**  
**Recommendation:** Approve the expenditure of funds, including \$1,000 from Councilmember Bartlett for the Grand Opening of the South Berkeley Flea Market at Ashby BART (organized by Community Services United, 501(c)3), with funds relinquished to the City's General Fund for this purpose from the discretionary council office budget of Councilmember Bartlett and any other Councilmembers who would like to contribute.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Ben Bartlett, Councilmember, District 3, (510) 981-7130  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,283–N.S. revised to include contributions from the following Councilmembers up to the amounts listed: Councilmember Tregub - \$100; Councilmember O'Keefe - \$250; Councilmember Humbert - \$100; Councilmember Blackaby - \$250; Councilmember Lunaparra - \$200; Councilmember Kesarwani - \$100; Councilmember Taplin - \$500; Mayor Ishii - \$250.
- 19. Berkeley Rotary Endowment Education and Community Welfare Support: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds from General Funds and Grant of Such Funds to Berkeley Rotary Endowment**  
**From: Councilmember Tregub (Author), Mayor Ishii (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember O'Keefe (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$500 per Councilmember from the D13 Discretionary Accounts of members of the Berkeley City Council, including contributions of \$250 from Mayor Ishii and Councilmembers O'Keefe, Taplin, and Tregub, and inviting other members of the City Council to contribute to the Berkeley Rotary Endowment with funds relinquished to the City's general fund. The relinquished funds will help the Berkeley Rotary Endowment to raise funds for their RotaCare Health Clinic, 4-year collegiate scholarship program, supportive housing and hygiene kit programs. In previous years, funds were raised in tandem with and through the Taste of Downtown Berkeley event.  
**Financial Implications:** Councilmembers' Discretionary Funds - \$500  
Contact: Igor Tregub, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 72,284–N.S. revised to include contributions from the following Councilmembers up to the amounts listed: Councilmember Humbert - \$100; Councilmember Blackaby - \$250; Councilmember Lunaparra - \$200; Councilmember Kesarwani - \$100; Councilmember Bartlett - \$150.

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

### 20. Re-Establishment of the Downtown Berkeley Property Based Business Improvement District

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing on the establishment of the Downtown Berkeley Property Based Business Improvement District (DPBID or “the District”), and upon conclusion if no majority protest exists after tabulation of assessment ballots, adopt two Resolutions:

1. Re-establishing the Downtown Berkeley Property based Business Improvement District (DPBID) for the ten-year period beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2036, with operations to occur over the ten-calendar year period beginning January 1, 2027 and ending December 31, 2036 and levying assessments on properties within the District for Fiscal Year 2027 (FY27).

2. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a sole source contract and any amendments with the Downtown Berkeley Association (DBA) to pass-through all DPBID funds received to support Downtown revitalization and implement the DPBID Management District Plan for an anticipated amount of \$33,558,899 for the ten-year period of January 1, 2027 to December 31, 2036 (FYs 27-36). If additional funds are received above the anticipated amount, those pass-through monies collected on behalf of the Downtown Berkeley Property Based Business Improvement District (DPBID) in Fund 786 above the anticipated amount are also to be paid to the DBA when received.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Eleanor Hollander, Economic Development, (510) 981-7530

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 5 speakers.

M/S/C (Taplin/Humbert) to close the public hearing.

**Vote:** Ayes – Kesarwani, Taplin, Tregub, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Bartlett.

**Action:** M/S/C (Tregub/Kesarwani) to adopt Resolution No. 72,285–N.S. (Re-establishing the DPBID) and Resolution No. 72,286–N.S. (Contract with DBA).

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

### 21. Proposed FY 2027 and FY 2028 Biennial Budget and Proposed Biennial Budget Public Hearing #1

**From:** City Manager

**Recommendation:** Accept the Proposed Fiscal Year 2027 and Fiscal Year 2028 Biennial Budget for review and consideration by the City Council, conduct Public Hearing No. 1 on the Proposed Budget, and final adoption for June 23, 2026.

**Financial Implications:** see report

Contact: Maricar Dupaya, Budget Manager, (510) 981-7000

**Action:** M/S/C (Tregub/Humbert) to suspend the rules and extend the meeting to 11:30 p.m.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Tregub/Kesarwani) to suspend the rules and extend the meeting to 11:45 p.m.

**Vote:** Ayes – Kesarwani, Bartlett, Tregub, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii; Noes – Taplin.

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 22 speakers.

M/S/C (Taplin/Tregub) to close the public hearing.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** Presentation made by the Budget Manager and Deputy City Manager. Council discussion and questions followed.

### 22. Animal Care Services Fee Schedule

**From:** City Manager

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt a Resolution modifying the Animal Care Services fee schedule by changing existing fees and adopting new fees, and rescinding Resolution No. 66,174-N.S.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Peter Radu, City Manager's Office, (510) 981-7000

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 0 speakers.

M/S/C (Tregub/Humbert) to close the public hearing.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Tregub/Humbert) to adopt Resolution No. 72,287–N.S. amended to remove the three fees for 1-year, 2-year, and 3-year senior-owned, altered animal licenses, from the final fee schedule.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

### 23. Neighborhood Services Code Enforcement Fee Schedule

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt a Resolution adopting the proposed Neighborhood Services Code Enforcement fee schedule.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Peter Radu, City Manager's Office, (510) 981-7000

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 0 speakers.

M/S/C (Blackaby/Taplin) to close the public hearing.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Blackaby/Lunaparra) to adopt Resolution No. 72,288–N.S.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

### 24. Changes to the Environmental Health Fee Schedule

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and, upon conclusion, adopt a Resolution: 1. Approving revisions to the fee schedule for the Environmental Health Division (EHD) effective July 1, 2026, and, 2. Rescinding Resolution No. 71,354–N.S. effective July 1, 2026.

**Financial Implications:** See report.

Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100

**Action:** Item 24 public hearing continued to June 9, 2026.

### 25. Fees: Health, Housing, and Community Services Facility Rental Fees

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and, upon conclusion, adopt a Resolution: 1. Establishing increased fees for facility rental rates for the Health, Housing, and Community Services Department, and 2. rescinding Resolution No. 67,044–N.S.

**Financial Implications:** See report.

Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5100

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 0 speakers.

M/S/C (Lunaparra/Tregub) to close the public hearing.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Humbert/Lunaparra) to adopt Resolution No. 72,289–N.S.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

### 26. Changes to Selected Recreation Facilities and Program Fees

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt a Resolution approving new fees and increasing current fees for select recreation programs and facility rentals; and rescinding Resolution No. 72,094-N.S. and all amendatory resolutions.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Scott Ferris, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront, (510) 981-6700

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 0 speakers. M/S/C (Lunaparra/Humbert) to close the public hearing.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Taplin/Humbert) to adopt Resolution No. 72,290–N.S.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

### 27. Changes to the Planning and Development Fee Schedule

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt a Resolution effective July 1, 2026: 1. Approving revisions to the fee schedule for the Planning and Development Department, to increase fees on certain building and zoning permits to cover technology for permitting and other processes, and for zoning policy development, for new address assignment applications, for landmark initiation applications, for required training for building code administration, and for other revisions and clarifications as specified; and 2. Rescinding previous fee schedule Resolution Nos. 71,834-N.S. and 71,973-N.S.; and 3. Rescinding building valuation Resolution No. 67,047-N.S.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 0 speakers. M/S/C (Humbert/Tregub) to close the public hearing.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Lunaparra/Tregub) to adopt Resolution No. 72,291–N.S.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

- 28. Repeal and Reenact Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) Chapter 14.52 to Adjust the goBerkeley Parking Management Program; Change Parking Permit Fees; Establish a New Schedule for Parking Violations, Fines, and Late Payment Penalties; and Rescind Resolution No. 71,627-N.S.**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion:

1. Adopt first reading of an Ordinance repealing and reenacting Berkeley Municipal Code chapter 14.52, "Parking Meters," to enable the following changes: a. Extend parking meter operating hours to 8 p.m. citywide; b. Operate parking meters, pay stations, and parking enforcement on Sundays. c. Expand meter zones to new high-demand areas; d. Authorize a transition to cashless parking meters and/or pay stations in the future; and
2. Adopt a Resolution to pass through parking meter costs currently paid by the City to a transparent transaction charge paid by the customer; and
3. Adopt a Resolution implementing a new FY 2028 fee schedule for Residential Parking Permit fees; and
4. Adopt a Resolution updating the Schedule of Parking Violations and Fines; and rescinding Resolution No. 71,627-N.S. (Parking Violations and Fines).

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Wahid Amiri, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

**Action:** Item 28 public hearing continued to June 9, 2026.

- 29. Zero Waste Plan Checks and Compliance Inspections Fees**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt a Resolution establishing new cost recovery fees in the Public Works Department's Zero Waste Plan Check and Compliance Inspections; authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to collect such fees to recover staffing costs.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Wahid Amiri, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

**Action:** Item 29 public hearing continued to June 9, 2026. (Item includes revised materials)

**Action:** M/S/C (Taplin/Humbert) to continue the public hearings for Item 24, Item 28, and Item 29 to the June 9, 2026 meeting.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Information Reports

- 30. FY 2026 Second Quarter Investment Report: Ended December 31, 2025**

**From: City Manager**

Contact: Henry Oyekanmi, Finance, (510) 981-7300

**Action:** Received and filed.

## Information Reports

31. **Section 115 Trust Investment Report for FY 2025 Ended June 30, 2025**  
**From: City Manager**  
Contact: Henry Oyekanmi, Finance, (510) 981-7300  
**Action:** Received and filed.
32. **\*\*\*Removed from Agenda by the City Manager\*\*\* 2026 Health Plan Changes**  
**From: City Manager**  
Contact: Janelle Rodrigues, Human Resources, (510) 981-6800

**Public Comment – Items Not Listed on the Agenda - 4 speakers.**

## Adjournment

**Action:** M/S/C (Blackaby/Tregub) to adjourn the meeting.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

Adjourned at 11:36 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the regular meeting held on May 19, 2026.

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

## Communications

### **Item 21: Proposed FY 2027 and FY 2028 Biennial Budget and Proposed Biennial Budget Public Hearing #1**

1. Samantha Johnston

### **Throne Restrooms**

2. Nicole Stone
3. Gregory Turner
4. Deirdre Murphy
5. James Rowe
6. Elliot Davis
7. Steven Jordan
8. Stefan Kaiter-Snyder
9. Andrea Limbrick (2)
10. Fernanda Rossi
11. Norman Gusner
12. Sana Keshtkaran
13. Daniel McChesney-Young
14. Anna Huff
15. Amy Berry Brockbank

16. Richard
17. Taylor Condit
18. Eve Siegel & William Strawn
19. Charlie King
20. Mick Lim
21. Gail Whang
22. Gloria Lawson
23. Frances Holt
24. Jonathan Holt
25. Emme Clark (2)
26. Debbie Cooper
27. Caitlin Cotter
28. Ann Korchin

### **Up-Zoning and Zoning**

29. Katie Mckee
30. Bruce H. Feingold
31. Emily Phillips
32. Summer Brenner
33. Elizabeth Rico
34. Harrison
35. Julia Bourland
36. Sarah Finnegan
37. Mary Mathaisell
38. Sasha Futran

### **San Francisco Mime Troupe**

39. Kathleen Antonia
40. Matt Cantor
41. Lily Kelly
42. Deborah C. Segal
43. Julia Luckenbill
44. David Seabury
45. Gail Chiarello
46. Samuella Smith Fredman
47. Jessica Fong
48. Gail Levin
49. Sue VanHattum
50. Tavis Kammet
51. Adam
52. Leslie Firestone
53. Lee Trampleasure
54. Kristine Anstine
55. Beck Cowles
56. Terri Wilde
57. Vivian Taube
58. Margot Smith
59. Linda Franklin

- 60. Cory Kahane
- 61. Marge Sussman
- 62. Nick & Sue Jones
- 63. Julia Cato
- 64. Ruth Rogow
- 65. Deborah Brooks
- 66. Mahalia Ryba
- 67. Joan Finton Baumrind
- 68. Ramona Rubin
- 69. Sarah Holmes
- 70. Jay Manley
- 71. Erich Lindemann

**Ferry Project**

- 72. Casilda Rubio
- 73. Paul Kamen (2)

**EMBER/Zone Zero**

- 74. Cindy Larson
- 75. Vanessa Cordova

**Repaving Request**

- 76. Terrence Salonga (5)

**Marina Trail**

- 77. Dave Mandel (2)

**UC Berkeley Student Partnership**

- 78. Parth and Team Claro

**2026 Solano Stroll**

- 79. Alene Pearson

**BMR Rent Calculation**

- 80. Alex Merenkov

**Rent Board Registration Fees**

- 81. Deirdre Duhan

**Parking on 4<sup>th</sup> Street**

- 82. Cecelia Mautner

**Information Request Concerns**

- 83. Stacy Smith

**Posters Near Solano Avenue**

- 84. Stephen Alpert

**Notice of Case Closure**

- 85. Jessica Cardenas

**Mediation Request – 2626 Ashby Ave**

- 86. Caryn Millar for Bruce Millar

**Request for ADA Parking**

87. Sabrina Sierra & the Alchemy team

**Housing Affordability**

88. Stephen Alpert (2)

**Pedestrian Safety Concerns**

89. Shirley Kirsten

**Local Events and Invitations**

90. Not Loud Concerts

91. Amy Miller, on behalf of Scientific Adventures for Girls

92. Julie Nachtwey

**E-Scotters**

93. Carson Lepre

94. Robert Borghese

**Societal Concerns**

95. Jodi Schiller (3)

**Links and Forwards**

96. russbumper (9)

97. crustyrusty

**Supplemental Communications and Reports 1**

**Item #6: Joint Homekey+ Application for Supportive Housing in People's Park at 2556 Haste St.**

98. Revised agenda material submitted by the Health, Housing, and Community Services Department

**Item #29: Zero Waste Plan Checks and Compliance Inspections Fees**

99. Supplemental agenda material submitted by the Public Works Department

**Supplemental Communications and Reports 2**

**Item 3: 2026 Records Retention Schedule**

100. Joel Myerson

**Item 7: Joint Homekey+ Application for Insight Housing's North Berkeley BART Permanent Supportive Housing Project**

101. David Lerman

**Item 20: Re-Establishment of the Downtown Berkeley Property Based Business Improvement District**

102. Steven Schuyler

**Item 21: Proposed FY 2027 and FY 2028 Biennial Budget and Proposed Biennial Budget Public Hearing #1**

103. Supplemental material submitted by Maricar Dupaya, Budget Manager

104. Community Health Commission

105. Homeless Services Panel of Experts

106. Parks, Recreation, and Waterfront Commission

107. Henry DeNero, on behalf of the Berkeley FireSafe Council
108. Tres Lundquist
109. Luz Buitrago
110. Steven Fruhwirth
111. Rob and Alex Katzenstein
112. Hannah Shafsky
113. Brian Shillinglaw
114. Karen Harber
115. Kiley Libuit
116. Joan Lester
117. Stephanie Henkle
118. Jane Hausauer
119. Carol Curtis
120. Kamala Visweswaran
121. Carol Reitan
122. Jane Terjung
123. Firouzeh Nourzad
124. 6 similarly worded letters

**Item 28: Repeal and Reenact Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) Chapter 14.52 to Adjust the goBerkeley Parking Management Program; Change Parking Permit Fees; Establish a New Schedule for Parking Violations, Fines, and Late Payment Penalties; and Rescind Resolution No. 71,627-N.S.**

125. Rachel Bradley
126. Margot Smith (3)
127. Michael Katz (2)
128. Joel Myerson

### **Supplemental Communications and Reports 3**

**Item #6: Joint Homekey+ Application for Supportive Housing in People's Park at 2556 Haste St.**

129. Stephanie Thomas

### **Action Calendar**

**Item #21: Proposed FY 2027 and FY 2028 Biennial Budget and Proposed Biennial Budget Public Hearing #1**

130. Virginia Browning (2)
131. Alex Knox
132. Geoff
133. Gregory Kalkanis
134. Jane Fulton Suri
135. Karen Lou
136. Gisela Insuaste
137. Joe Zitomer
138. Alan Schoefeld (2)
139. Joan Wilson

140. Robin Hollenberg
141. Carolyn West
142. Sue Von Baeyer
143. Susan McKay
144. Mike and Patricia Henry
145. Lota Rygiel
146. Da Aut
147. Yen Trac
148. Sabeeha Merchant
149. Margot Murtaugh
150. Leslie Winokur
151. Charlotte and Gil Ferrey
152. Sarah Siefke
153. Corey Busay
154. Miriam Nathanson
155. Richard A. Laden and Marie-Paule Laden
156. Leah Rosenthal
157. Melissa diSessa (2)
158. Karen Holtermann
159. Jeff Bloomfield
160. Les Guliasi
161. Geoffrey B Saxe
162. Joan Schoenfeld
163. Dorit S. Hochbaum

**Item #24: Changes to the Environmental Health Fee Schedule**

164. Beth Roessner on behalf of the Berkeley Chamber of Commerce

**Item #28: Repeal and Reenact Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) Chapter 14.52 to Adjust the goBerkeley Parking Management Program; Change Parking Permit Fees; Establish a New Schedule for Parking Violations, Fines, and Late Payment Penalties; and Rescind Resolution No. 71,627-N.S.**

165. Presentation submitted by the Public Works Department
166. Casey Passmore

**Item #29: Zero Waste Plan Checks and Compliance Inspections Fees**

167. Presentation submitted by the Public Works Department

**Miscellaneous**

168. Unknown

