

**ANNOTATED AGENDA**  
**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, April 29, 2025**  
**6:00 PM**

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

TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - 17900 JAMBOREE RD, IRVINE, CA 92614

ADENA ISHII, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

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

DISTRICT 5 – SHOSHANA O’KEEFE  
DISTRICT 6 – BRENT BLACKABY  
DISTRICT 7 – CECILIA LUNAPARRA  
DISTRICT 8 – MARK HUMBERT

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## Preliminary Matters

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

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

**Absent:** Kesarwani

Councilmember Kesarwani present at 6:14 p.m.

Councilmember Taplin participated in the meeting remotely under the just cause exception in the Brown Act.

**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. Adjourn in memory of Mary Wainwright, former Berkeley Councilmember
2. Adjourn in memory of David “Chicken” Nesmith, Environmental Activist
3. Adjourn in memory of Betty and Jimmie Pugh, Berkeley Residents
4. Adjourn in memory of Bill Chapman, League of Women Voters

**City Manager Comments:** None

### City Auditor Comments:

The City Auditor stated that feedback on the FY 2026 Audit Plan is welcome; thanked staff, Council, and the public for their engagement with the Auditor’s Office; and noted the successful restaurant inspection audit in Item 32.

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters:** 6 speakers.

**Action:** M/S/C (Blackaby/Humbert) to accept an urgency item from Councilmember Blackaby pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2) entitled Support for AB-389 Personal Income Tax: Tax Credits: Fire-Resistant Home Improvements (Wallis).

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Consent Calendar

**Public Comment on Consent Calendar and Information Items Only:** 34 speakers.

**Action:** M/S/C (Taplin/Tregub) to adopt the Consent Calendar, as amended, in one motion except as indicated, including the policy committee recommendation on Item 19 to take no action.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Consent Calendar

**Urgent Item: Support for AB-389 Personal Income Tax: Tax Credits: Fire-Resistant Home Improvements (Wallis)**

**From: Councilmember Blackaby (Author), Councilmember Bartlett (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Humbert (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember O’Keefe (Co-Sponsor)**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution in support of AB-389 Personal Income Tax: Tax Credits: Fire-Resistant Home Improvements (Wallis) and send copies to Assemblymember Greg Wallis, the Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation, Assemblymember Mike Gipson (committee chair), Assemblymember Tri Ta (committee vice chair), Senator Jesse Arreguín, and Assemblymember Buffy Wicks.

**Financial Implications:** None

Contact: Brent Blackaby, Councilmember, District 6, (510) 981-7160

**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,727–N.S.

### 1. Minutes for Approval

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Approve the minutes for the Council meetings of March 10, 2025 (closed), March 11, 2025 (special and regular), March 18, 2025 (special and regular), March 25, 2025 (special and regular).

**Financial Implications:** None.

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

**Action:** Approved the minutes as submitted.

### 2. Formal Bid Solicitations and Request for Proposals Scheduled for Possible Issuance After Council Approval on April 29, 2025

**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:** See report

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

**Action:** Approved recommendation.

## Consent Calendar

- 3. Contract: Public Consulting Group for Professional Services**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Public Consulting Group (PCG) for professional services related to the Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT), Quality Assurance Fee (QAF), Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT), and Public Provider Ground Emergency Medical Transport (PP-GEMT) programs using the General Services Agency's (GSA) contract No. 47QTCA20D004Y for an amount not to exceed \$200,000 in the base term from April 1, 2025 through March 31, 2027 with two (2), two (2) year extensions to March 31, 2031 in an amount not to exceed \$600,000 in total.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: David Sprague, Fire, (510) 981-3473  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,728–N.S.
- 4. Amend Berkeley Police Association (BPA) MOU Section 19.5 Administrative Leave for Captains (50 hours increased to 60 hours)**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution amending Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) for Berkeley Police Association (BPA) MOU Section 19.5 Administrative Leave for Captains to increase administrative leave from 50 to 60 hours.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Monica Walker, Human Resources, (510) 981-6800  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,729–N.S.
- 5. Contract No. 31900270 Amendment: Dell Marketing LP ("Dell")**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to Contract No. 31900270 with Dell Marketing LP ("Dell") for the purchase of hardware, software, and related services utilizing the County of Riverside Agreement 8084445, for an additional \$2,786,057 for a total not to exceed value of \$8,197,733 for the period commencing on November 1, 2019 and through October 31, 2027.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,730–N.S.
- 6. New Contract: New Contract: Tyler Technologies, Inc. for Open Data Portal (ODP) Hosting Services**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a new contract with Tyler Technologies, Inc., for the purposes of hosting the City's Open Data Portal, in an amount not to exceed \$171,323 for the period commencing on July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,731–N.S.

## Consent Calendar

- 7. Adjustment to Police Accountability Board Stipend Cap Following AAO #1 Carryover Approval**  
**From: Director of Police Accountability**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution temporarily increasing the stipend cap for Police Accountability Board (PAB) members to ensure the distribution of previously approved funds and provide compensation for meetings that exceeded the existing monthly cap.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Hansel Aguilar, Office of Director of Police Accountability, (510) 981-4950  
**Action:** 3 speakers. M/S/C (O’Keefe/Lunaparra) to adopt Resolution No. 71,732–N.S. temporarily increasing the stipend cap for Police Accountability Board (PAB) members to ensure the distribution of previously approved funds and provide compensation for meetings that exceeded the existing monthly cap.  
**Vote:** Ayes – Kesarwani, Bartlett, Tregub, O’Keefe, Lunaparra, Ishii; Noes – Taplin; Abstain – Humbert; Recused – Blackaby (former member of PAB covered by increase).
- 8. Contract No. 32200208 Amendment: West Coast Code Consultants for Plan Checking Services**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32200208 with West Coast Code Consultants (WC3) to add additional funds, increasing the contract amount by \$100,000 to a new total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$1,600,000  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,733–N.S.
- 9. Contract No. 32200207 Amendment: Telesis for Plan Checking Services**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32200207 with Telesis to add additional funds, increasing the contract amount by \$100,000 to a new total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$1,600,000.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,734–N.S.

## Consent Calendar

- 10. Purchase Order Amendment: Braun Northwest Inc. for Two (2) 2025 Ford F-450 North Star Engine Remount of Ambulance Bodies to New Chassis**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend the purchase order with Braun Northwest, Inc. to purchase two (2) 2025 Ford F-450 North Star Ambulance chassis by increasing the purchase order spend amount by \$75,000 for a total not-to-exceed spending amount of \$505,000.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,735–N.S.
- 11. Final Map of Tract 8717: 805 Jones Street**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution approving the final map of Tract Map 8717 for a 7-unit condominium project consisting of 6 residential units and 1 commercial unit at 805 Jones Street.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,736–N.S.
- 12. Contract: Bay Cities Paving & Grading, Inc. for FY 2025 Street Maintenance and Rehabilitation Project**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution: 1. Approving plans and specifications for the FY 2025 Street Maintenance and Rehabilitation Project, Specification No. 25-11690-C; 2. Accepting the bid of Bay Cities Paving & Grading, Inc. as the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder; and 3. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments, extensions or other change orders until completion of the project, in accordance with the approved plans and specifications in an amount not to exceed \$12,323,848.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,737–N.S.

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13. **Contract: Terocons Inc. for South Berkeley Bikeway and Bus Stop Improvements Project**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution: 1. Approving plans and specifications for the South Berkeley Bikeway and Bus Stop Improvements Project, Specification No. 25-11716-C; 2. Accepting the bid of Terocons Inc., the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder; and 3. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Terocons Inc. and any amendments, extensions, and/or change orders until completion of the Project in accordance with the approved plans and specifications, in an amount not to exceed \$4,208,200, which includes a 10% contingency for unforeseen circumstances.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,738–N.S.
14. **Contracts: M&A Towing and City Towing for Towing Services**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt two Resolutions authorizing the City Manager to:  
1. Execute a contract with any amendments with M&A Towing to provide towing services for a three (3) year period from May 1, 2025, to May 1, 2028 in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, with an option to extend for two (2) additional one (1) year terms.  
2. Execute a contract with any amendments with City Towing to provide towing services for a three (3) year period from May 1, 2025, to May 1, 2028 in an amount not to exceed \$150,000, with an option to extend for two (2) additional one (1) year terms.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,739–N.S. (M&A Towing); and Resolution No. 71,740–N.S. (City Towing).

## Council Consent Items

15. **Budget Referral Funding Afterschool Program Expansion**  
**From: Councilmember Taplin (Author), Councilmember Bartlett (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember O'Keefe (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Refer \$300,000 to fund afterschool program expansion to the Fiscal Year 26 Mid-Biennial Budget Update.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120  
**Action:** Councilmember Tregub added as a co-sponsor. Approved recommendation.

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- 16. Budget Referral Funding F and G Dock Deck Replacement**  
**From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)**  
**Recommendation:** Refer \$250,000 for F and G dock replacement funding to the Fiscal Year 26 Mid-Biennial Budget Update.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120  
**Action:** Councilmember Humbert added as a co-sponsor. Approved recommendation.
- 17. Berkeley Juneteenth Festival: 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 \$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:** Councilmember Taplin and Mayor Ishii added as co-sponsors. Adopted Resolution No. 71,741–N.S. amended to include contributions from the following Councilmembers up to the amounts listed: Councilmember Taplin - \$250; Councilmember Kesarwani - \$100; Councilmember Lunaparra - \$250; Councilmember Tregub - \$500; Councilmember O'Keefe - \$200; Councilmember Humbert - \$500; Councilmember Blackaby - \$250; Mayor Ishii - \$500.

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18. **Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds from General Funds and Grant of Such Funds to Bay Area Robotics Education Sustainability Alliance for the 2025 Berkeley High Robotics Team’s East Bay Regional Robotics Competition. From: Councilmember Tregub (Author), Councilmember O’Keefe (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor), Mayor Ishii (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$250 per member of the City Council from the D13 Discretionary Accounts of members of the Berkeley City Council, including \$250 from Mayor Ishii and Councilmembers O’Keefe, Taplin, and Tregub, and inviting other members of the City Council to contribute, to support the Berkeley High Robotics Team (Berkelium 5419 ) in hosting the East Bay Regional FIRST Robotics Competition . Funds will be transferred to the City’s general fund and to Bay Area Robotics Education Sustainability Alliance, a fiscal agent for the 2025 Berkeley High Robotics Team’s East Bay Regional Robotics Competition to support this valuable community event. The relinquishment of funds from the respective discretionary Council Office Budgets of such members of the Berkeley City Council who wish to contribute will support this important initiative, fostering STEM education, student leadership, and international collaboration.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Igor Tregub, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140  
**Action:** Amended the resolution to raise the contribution limit to \$500. Adopted Resolution No. 71,742–N.S. amended to include contributions from the following Councilmembers up to the amounts listed: Councilmember Kesarwani - \$100; Councilmember Lunaparra - \$250; Councilmember Tregub - \$500; Councilmember O’Keefe - \$250; Councilmember Humbert - \$250; Councilmember Blackaby - \$250; Councilmember Bartlett - \$250; Mayor Ishii - \$500.
19. **Resolution: Opposition to Police Brutality and Use of Force on Nonviolent Protesters (Reviewed by the Public Safety Policy Committee)**  
**From: Councilmember Harrison (Author)**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution reaffirming the City of Berkeley’s opposition to and condemning police brutality towards nonviolent protesters and discouraging use of “less-lethal” weapons for crowd control.  
*Policy Committee Recommendation: To send item to City Council with a negative recommendation.*  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140  
**Action:** No action taken, as recommended by the Public Safety Policy Committee.  
Vote: Ayes – Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett, O’Keefe, Blackaby, Humbert, Ishii; Noes – None; Abstain – Tregub, Lunaparra.

## Council Consent Items

- 20. Letter in Support of SB 456: Muralist Exemption**  
**From: Councilmember O'Keefe (Author)**  
**Recommendation:** Send a letter to Senator Angelique Ashby (cc: Governor Gavin Newsom, Senator Jesse Arreguin, Assemblymember Buffy Wicks) in support of Senate Bill 456, which would exempt muralists from having to obtain a contractor's license through the Contractors State Licensing Board (CSLB) before being commissioned for public and private art projects.  
**Financial Implications:** None  
Contact: Shoshana O'Keefe, Councilmember, District 5, (510) 981-7150  
**Action:** Councilmember Bartlett and Mayor Ishii added as co-sponsors. Approved recommendation.
- 21. Budget Referral: Deportation Defense Legal and Education Funds**  
**From: Councilmember Blackaby (Author), Councilmember Lunaparra (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Tregub (Co-Sponsor), Mayor Ishii (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Refer to the Fiscal Year 2026/2027 Budget Process an allocation of \$200,000 for Deportation Defense Legal and Education Funds.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Brent Blackaby, Councilmember, District 6, (510) 981-7160  
**Action:** Approved recommendation with the revision in Supplemental Communications Packet #1 from Councilmember Blackaby.
- 22. Adding ADA expertise to the SAFE STREETS Citizen Oversight Committee**  
**From: Councilmember Blackaby (Author), Councilmember Tregub (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Approve an amendment to the Measure FF SAFE STREETS Citizen Oversight Committee (SSCOC) Resolution and Ordinance approved for establishment at the March 18, 2025 Council Meeting, to add an additional qualifying skillset for appointment: a background in ADA compliance and the accessible infrastructure challenges that seniors and disabled community members face.  
**Financial Implications:** None  
Contact: Brent Blackaby, Councilmember, District 6, (510) 981-7160  
**Action:** Moved to Action Calendar. 7 speakers. Mayor Ishii added as a co-sponsor. 1. Adopted Resolution No. 71,743–N.S. with paragraph 2 of the second resolved clause revised to read “SSCOC members from commissions shall be appointed by their respective bodies, and members of the public shall be appointed by the City Council as a whole. Members of the public shall be required to have a background in civil engineering, transportation engineering, infrastructure program management, or the implementation of municipal bond or tax measures. Council shall also strive to ensure that at least one member of the SSCOC has experience with ADA compliance and/or the accessible infrastructure challenges facing seniors and the disabled community.”; and 2. Adopted first reading of Ordinance No. 7,960–N.S. Second reading scheduled for May 20, 2025.  
**Vote:** Ayes – Kesarwani, Taplin, Bartlett, Tregub, Blackaby, Lunaparra, Humbert, Ishii; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – O'Keefe.

## Council Consent Items

23. **Amend AB-645 (2023-2024) to add the City of Berkeley to California's Automated Speed Enforcement Pilot**  
**From: Councilmember Blackaby (Author), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember O'Keefe (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Humbert (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution to send to Assemblymember Buffy Wicks and Senator Jesse Arreguín, requesting that the Legislature amend AB-645 (Friedman) Vehicles: Speed Safety Pilot Program (2023-2024), in order to add the City of Berkeley to the pilot.  
**Financial Implications:** None  
Contact: Brent Blackaby, Councilmember, District 6, (510) 981-7160  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,744–N.S. as revised Supplemental Communications Packet #1 by Councilmember Blackaby.
24. **Refer \$25,000 to the June 2025 Mid-Biennial Budget Process to Partially Cover Street Spirit's Operational and Programming Costs**  
**From: Councilmember Lunaparra (Author)**  
**Recommendation:** Refer \$25,000 to the June 2025 Mid-Biennial budget process to subsidize the cost of running Street Spirit's drop-in center and vendor coordination program.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Cecilia Lunaparra, Councilmember, District 7, (510) 981-7170  
**Action:** Councilmembers Tregub and O'Keefe, and Mayor Ishii added as co-sponsors. Approved recommendation as revised material in Supplemental Communications Packet #1 by Councilmember Lunaparra.
25. **Supporting State and Regional Funding for Bay Area Public Transit**  
**From: Councilmember Lunaparra (Author)**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution Supporting State and Regional Funding for Bay Area Public Transit.  
**Financial Implications:** None  
Contact: Cecilia Lunaparra, Councilmember, District 7, (510) 981-7170  
**Action:** Councilmembers Blackaby, Tregub, and Humbert. Adopted Resolution No. 71,745–N.S.
26. **Resolution Supporting a State Budget Request for the CalFresh Fruit and Vegetable EBT Program and Endorsing AB 936 (CalFresh Fruit and Vegetable Supplemental Benefits Program)**  
**From: Councilmember Lunaparra (Author), Councilmembers Humbert (Co-Sponsor), Councilmembers Bartlett (Co-Sponsor), Mayor Ishii (Co-Sponsor)**  
**Recommendation:** Adopt a resolution supporting a State Budget Request to reinstate CalFresh Fruit and Vegetable EBT Program and endorsing AB 936.  
**Financial Implications:** None  
Contact: Cecilia Lunaparra, Councilmember, District 7, (510) 981-7170  
**Action:** Adopted Resolution No. 71,746–N.S.

## Council Consent Items

- 27. Defer \$150,000 referral for Round Park from Nov 2024 FY2025 AAO#1**  
**From: Councilmember Humbert (Author)**  
**Recommendation:** Place a hold on or otherwise defer the FY2025 \$150,000 budget referral from the November 2024 AAO#1 budget, which set aside funding for initiating a process to potentially convert the median informally known as “Round Park” (and possibly other nearby medians) to an official City park in District 8.  
**Financial Implications:** See report  
Contact: Mark Humbert, Councilmember, District 8, (510) 981-7180  
**Action:** Approved recommendation.

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

- 28. Submission of the 2025-2030 Consolidated Plan and Program Year 2025 Annual Action Plan**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing on the 2025-2030 Consolidated Plan and Program Year (PY) 2025 Annual Action Plan (AAP), including allocations of federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and HOME Investment Partnership Grant (HOME); and upon conclusion, adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to:
1. Execute any resultant agreements and amendments for agencies receiving funding under the CDBG, ESG, or HOME Program in accordance with the proposal approved hereunder. If the federal government does not allocate sufficient funds to cover the allocations attached to this resolution in this year or subsequent years, the City may either terminate the resultant agreements with agencies without any liability occurring to the City. A record copy of said contracts and any amendments are on file in the Office of the City Clerk; and
  2. Allocate 20% of the PY 2025 (FY26) CDBG funds to the Planning and Administration, up to 17.83% for public services, and the remaining to be distributed to Housing Services and Community Facility Improvements as outlined in Exhibit A with the Public Facility Improvements being a flexible line item should the HUD allocation differ than the amount currently allocated; and
  3. Allocate the allowable 10% of PY 2025 (FY26) HOME funds for program administration, up to the allowable 5% for CHDO operating support, and allocate the remainder to the Housing Trust Fund; and
  4. Allocate the allowable 7.5% of the PY 2025 (FY 2026) ESG to Administration, \$6,676 to the HMIS system and the remaining amount to Rapid Rehousing, and shelter activities (not to exceed 60% of PY25 ESG entitlement); and
  5. Carry over any ESG earlier unspent funds from PY 2024 (FY 2025) into PY 2025 (FY 2026) and allocate those funds to the Stair Navigation Center operator (currently Bay Area Community Services (BACS)) for ESG eligible activities (e.g., rapid rehousing). The BACS Stair Center has used ESG funding for shelter operations and rapid rehousing activities for the past few years and is well-equipped to meet HUD’s program and administrative requirements. These funds will be included in the First Amendment to the FY 2026 Annual Appropriations Ordinance; and
  6. Finalize the 2025-2030 Consolidated Plan, including the PY 2025 Annual Action

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

Plan, and the Regional Analysis of Impediments, including responses to public comments received until April 29, 2025 adding required U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) application forms and certifications, and including other HUD required information, submit it to HUD, and execute all documents necessary to receive the City's entitlement grants under the CDBG, ESG and HOME Programs.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 2 speakers.

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

**Vote:** All Ayes.

**Action:** M/S/C (Tregub/Blackaby) to adopt Resolution No. 71,747–N.S.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

### 29. Implement Residential Preferential Parking (RPP) Program on the 1500 Block of Virginia Street

**From:** City Manager

**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing and upon its conclusion, adopt a Resolution amending Resolution No. 56,508-N.S. Section 25P by adding a subsection to implement Residential Preferential Parking (RPP) on the south side of Virginia Street, between California and Eola streets (1528-1546 Virginia Street) in RPP Area N.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 1 speaker.

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

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

Councilmember O'Keefe absent 8:36 p.m. – 8:58 p.m.

**Action:** M/S/C (Blackaby/Lunaparra) to adopt Resolution No. 71,748–N.S.

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

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

### 30. Zoning Ordinance and General Plan Amendments Relating to Middle Housing From: City Manager

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

1. Adopt first reading of an Ordinance amending Berkeley Municipal Code Title 23 (Zoning Ordinance) and the Zoning Map, for the purposes of encouraging development of “middle housing” in areas currently zoned R-1, R-1A, R-2, R-2A and MU-R (“low-density residential districts”), with an effective date of September 1, 2025; and
2. Adopt a Resolution amending the General Plan for the same purpose.

**Financial Implications:** See report

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

**Action:** Item 30 removed from the agenda by the City Manager.

## Information Reports

### 31. 2025 Police Accountability Board Workplan

**From: Police Accountability Board**

Contact: Hansel Aguilar, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-4950

**Action:** Received and filed.

### 32. Restaurant Inspections Audit Report Wins National Recognition

**From: Auditor**

Contact: Jenny Wong, Auditor, (510) 981-6750

**Action:** Received and filed.

## Public Comment – Items Not Listed on the Agenda - 3 speakers.

## Adjournment

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

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

Adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

## Communications

### Item #30: Zoning Ordinance and General Plan Amendments Relating to Middle Housing

1. Margot Smith
2. Eric James Schroeder
3. Gael Alcock
4. Gary Parsons
5. Susan Taylor
6. Curtis Manning

7. Janet Stephens
8. Laura Klein
9. Leah Kaizer
10. David Whipple
11. Vicki Sommer
12. Ondine Norman
13. Ellen Kramer
14. Eric King
15. Carol Hirth (2)
16. John Brogan
17. DP Neyhart
18. Dr. Anne Boersma
19. Lisa Bruce
20. Brandon Yung (2)
21. Dr. Amanda Le
22. Anne Weinberger
23. Cece Littlepage
24. Sabina McMurtry
25. Dawn Thomas
26. Andrea Yankowski
27. Steven Douglas
28. Lynn Sherrell
29. Victoria Kahn
30. Alison Monroe
31. Vincent Casalaina
32. Alisa Foster
33. Rachel Bradley

**Item #32: Restaurant Inspections Audit Report Wins National Recognition**

34. Liz Ruhland

**Berkeley Green New Deal**

35. EJ Cire

**2024 Annual Report**

36. Jennifer Cogley

**Ohlone Greenway**

37. Erik Dreher
38. Alastair MacDowell
39. Wei-Bing Chen
40. Susan Springborg and Greg Martin
41. Lynn Jones
42. Greg Gurnick
43. Karen Dabrusin

**Proposed Unhoused Location**

- 44. Tim Sakhuja
- 45. Todd Jersey
- 46. Aimee & Meryl, Beautiful San Pablo
- 47. Terry Betts
- 48. Andrew Johnson
- 49. Karina Racz
- 50. Sara Jusseame
- 51. Calvin Collier
- 52. Jan Dizon and Matthew Noah
- 53. Patricia Erwin
- 54. Orion Fulton

#### **Berkeley Advanced Biomaterials**

- 55. Terry Albury

#### **Moellering Field Plan**

- 56. Charles Siegal on behalf of Walk Bike Berkeley
- 57. Wahid Amiri

#### **Housing Market Practices**

- 58. LiJia Gong, Angelo Pis-Dudot, Lee Hepner, and Leah Simon-Weisberg

#### **Work From Home Concern**

- 59. Pgcountymd63

#### **Encampments**

- 60. Amber Richardson
- 61. Nigel

#### **Project @ 3000 Shattuck Ave**

- 62. Sallie Hanna-Rhyne and Neighbors
- 63. Alisha Pember

#### **Thank You**

- 64. John Craner
- 65. Martin Bourque (2)

#### **Claim Update**

- 66. Eid (2)

#### **Ada/California Street**

- 67. Shirley Kirsten (2)
- 68. Emily Brandt

#### **Caltrans Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

- 69. Terrance Davis

**Surveillance**

70. Lavell Young

**Government Concerns**

71. Josh Atwood

**Fair Housing Conference**

72. Caroline Peattie

**ICE Concerns**

73. Alex S. Merenkov (2)

**Columbus Statue in Brooklyn Borough Hall Plaza**

74. Alex Judah (2)

**Rides for Seniors**

75. Barbara Gilbert

76. Ben Buettner

77. Vanessa Arrendondo

78. Daveed Mandell

**Housing**

79. S. Entwistle

**Citizen Concern**

80. Inetjalopy

**Green Cans**

81. Karen Ball

**Plans**

82. Tillymaui

**Fines**

83. Cecelia Mautner

**Ordinance No. 7,681 PRA Concern**

84. Cassia Stepak

**Use of Resources**

85. Lavell Young

**Low Density**

86. Richard Boubelik

**Multistory Apartments**

87. David Lerman

**Harrison Street**

88. Magnus Flying Colors Racing

**Berkeley Branch Closure**

89. Erika Shore

**E-Scooters**

90. Robert Borghese (2)

**Police Alternative**

91. Moni T. Law

**Mental Health Needs**

92. Jenean Fear

**Nevada Cares Campus**

93. John Craner

**Screenshots**

94. Lavell Young

95. Josh Atwood

**Forwards**

96. Russbumper (4)

97. Josh Atwood

98. Maxina Ventura

**URL's**

99. Russbumper (13)

100. Josh Atwood

101. Lavell Young (4)

**Supplemental Communications and Reports 1**

**Item #21: Budget Referral: Deportation Defense Legal and Education Funds**

102. Revised agenda material submitted by Councilmember Brent Blackaby

**Item #23: Amend AB-645 (2023-2024) to add the City of Berkeley to California's Automated Speed Enforcement Pilot**

103. Revised agenda material submitted by Councilmember Brent Blackaby

**Item #24: Refer \$25,000 to the June 2025 Mid-Biennial Budget Process to Partially Cover Street Spirit's Operational and Programming Costs**

104. Revised agenda material submitted by Councilmember Lunaparra

**Item #30: Zoning Ordinance and General Plan Amendments Relating to Middle Housing**

105. Robert Roth
106. Joaquin R. Carbonell
107. Frances C. Moore
108. Andrew Doran
109. Alden Mudge
110. Sally Greenspan
111. Sarah Wittmer
112. Sabina McMurtry
113. Juliana Fredman
114. Dean Metzger
115. Theresa Gensler
116. Nancy Richerson
117. Michael Parman
118. Vicki Sommer
119. Emeritus Alan Ramo
120. Jane Terjung
121. Anne Boersma
122. Miriam Nathanson
123. Carol Hirth
124. Shelley Golomb
125. Nenelle Bunnin
126. Michael Walden and Judith Schelly
127. Sara Hartley
128. John Allen
129. Sarah Baughn
130. Bruce & Annie Nalezny
131. Eric King
132. Zachary Lamb
133. Peggy Mendelson
134. The Neighborhoods Council Executive Committee
135. Eric Friedman
136. Bryce Nesbitt
137. John J. Parman
138. Robb Wrenn
139. 20 Similarly worded form letters

**Supplemental Communications and Reports 2**

**Item #25: Supporting State and Regional Funding for Bay Area Public Transit**

140. Kate Harrison

**Item #30: Zoning Ordinance and General Plan Amendments Relating to Middle Housing**

141. Jeff and Kim Haltiner
142. Warren Pottebaum
143. Ben Gerhardstein

144. Stephen Sperber
145. Lisa Vogel
146. Harrison Alter
147. Crystal Brunzell
148. Brandon Yung
149. Linda and Steven Rosen
150. Bill Kristy
151. Lance Williams
152. David Lerman (2)
153. Albert Buixade
154. Jenny Vaughan
155. Syl
156. John Coveney
157. Aileen Paterson
158. Carol Cohen
159. Jason Warriner
160. Jamie Ruth
161. Alicia Carter
162. Andrea Yankowski
163. Emilie Strauss
164. Adelaide Jenkins
165. Stefan Elgstrand on behalf of State Senator Jesse Arreguin
166. Janet Stromberg
167. Alexandra Crisafulli
168. Kenny Yip
169. Janet Maestre
170. Barbara Fisher
171. Elizabeth Exter
172. David Johnson
173. Micah Stilwell
174. Jennifer Fisher
175. Tamara Birdstall
176. Tres Lundquist
177. Lovell Jarvis
178. Alex Mas
179. David Meyer
180. Katherine Hansen
181. Toni Mester
182. Pam Zelnik
183. Elizabeth Lamoureux
184. 8 Similarly worded form letters

**Urgent Item: Support for AB-389 Personal Income Tax: Tax Credits: Fire-Resistant Home Improvements (Wallis)**

185. Submitted by Councilmember Brent Blackaby

## **Supplemental Communications and Reports 3**

### **Item #28: Submission of the 2025-2030 Consolidated Plan and Program Year 2025 Annual Action Plan**

- 186. Presentation submitted by Health, Housing, and Community Services Department

### **Item #29: Implement Residential Preferential Parking (RPP) Program on the 1500 Block of Virginia Street**

- 187. Presentation submitted by Public Works Department

### **Item #30: Zoning Ordinance and General Plan Amendments Relating to Middle Housing**

- 188. Elizabeth Snowden and Charles P. Smith
- 189. Aimee Baldwin (3)
- 190. Rachel Gold
- 191. Leslie Firestone
- 192. Elizabeth Ottinger & Derek Bremner
- 193. Erin Scott
- 194. Eduardo Teixeira
- 195. Nico Calavita
- 196. David Killion and Rosamond Smith
- 197. Gale Garcia
- 198. Richard Neese
- 199. Michelle Pasternack
- 200. 14 Similarly worded form letters

### **Miscellaneous**

- 201. Unknown