

**ANNOTATED AGENDA
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday, June 3, 2025
6:00 PM**

SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD ROOM - 1231 ADDISON STREET, BERKELEY, CA 94702
TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - 117 FORT EVANS RD NE, LEESBURG, VA 20176
TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - 1868 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02140

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: 6:06 p.m.

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

Absent: Kesarwani

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 Robert Sheppard, Berkeley Resident
2. Adjourn in memory of Bill de Carion, Berkeley Business Owner
3. Recognition of Maw Shein Win, Berkeley Poetry Festival Lifetime Achievement Award Winner
4. Recognition of Christina Murphy Day in Berkeley, June 3, 2025
5. Recognition of Berkeley Pride Day, August 16, 2025

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: 5 speakers.

Action: M/S/C (Bartlett/Humbert) to add an urgent item to the agenda pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2) related to an excused absence for Councilmember Kesarwani.

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

Consent Calendar

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

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

Urgent Item: Excused Absence for Councilmember Rashi Kesarwani

From: Councilmember Kesarwani (Author)

Recommendation: Pursuant to the City Charter, Article V, § 19, the City Council must approve an absence by a Councilmember from a meeting in order for that absence to be considered excused. Specifically, it states: “If the Mayor or any member of the Council is absent from one or more regular meetings of the Council during any calendar month, unless excused by the Council in order to attend to official business of the City, or unless excused by the Council as a result of their own illness or the illness or death of a “close family member” as defined in the City’s bereavement policy from attending no more than two regular meetings in any calendar year, they shall be paid for each regular meeting attended during such months in an amount equal to the monthly remuneration divided by the number of regular meetings held during such month.”

Councilmember Kesarwani has just recently become sick and is unable to attend the June 3, 2025 Council meeting.

Financial Implications: None

Contact: Rashi Kesarwani, Councilmember, District 1, (510) 981-7110

Action: Approved recommendation.

1. Amendment: FY 2025 Annual Appropriations Ordinance

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt second reading of Ordinance No. 7,961-N.S. amending the FY 2025 Annual Appropriations Ordinance No. 7,940–N.S. for fiscal year 2025 based upon recommended re-appropriation of committed FY 2024 funding and other adjustments in the amount of \$85,720,135 (gross) and \$58,279,646 (net).

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

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Sharon Friedrichsen, Budget Manager, (510) 981-7000

Action: Adopted second reading of Ordinance No. 7,961–N.S.

2. 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 Kesarwani.

Financial Implications: See report

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

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,786–N.S. revised to correct the name of the appointee in the title of the resolution.

Consent Calendar

- 3. Grant Application: California Arts Council Grant (\$30,000), for the Civic Arts Grant Program General Operating Support Category**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or their designee to submit a grant application to the California Arts Council (CAC) to receive up to \$30,000 for the Civic Arts grants program (“General Operating Support” category), to accept the grant if awarded; and to execute any resulting grant agreements. If received, the funds would be regranted to Berkeley-based nonprofit and fiscally sponsored arts organizations for general operational support starting in Fiscal Year 2027 (FY27).
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Eleanor Hollander, Economic Development, (510) 981-7530
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,787–N.S.
- 4. Formal Bid Solicitations and Request for Proposals Scheduled for Possible Issuance After Council Approval on June 3, 2025**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Approve the request for proposals or invitation for bids 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.
- 5. Notice of Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2026**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution providing notice that: 1) Council will adopt an appropriations limit for Fiscal Year 2026 at its meeting of June 24, 2025; and 2) the amount of the limit and the background material used in its calculation will be available for public review in the City Clerk’s Office on or before June 9, 2025.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Henry Oyekanmi, Finance, (510) 981-7300
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,788–N.S.
- 6. Appointment of Public Health Officer – Dr. Noemi C. Doohan**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution to appoint Noemi C. Doohan, M.D., PhD, MPH, as the Public Health Officer for the City of Berkeley.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,789–N.S.

Consent Calendar

- 7. Contract: SEP Technology Consulting, LLC for Environmental Health Database Migration to Accela Cloud**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute a contract and any amendments or extensions with SEP Technology Consulting, LLC. for the Environmental Health Division’s database migration from Envision Connect to Accela Cloud, in an amount not to exceed \$325,000 for the period June 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,790–N.S.
- 8. Revenue Grant Agreement: 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, 2025, to March 30, 2026.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,791–N.S.
- 9. AHEAD, Inc (“AHEAD”): Using the California Department of General Services Software Licensing Program (“CDGS SLP”) for Software License Purchases**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to increase spending authority with AHEAD, a qualified reseller for the purchase of Varonis subscription software licenses, utilizing pricing and contracts, amendments, and extensions from the CDGS SLP, increasing the amount by \$971,784.00 for a total amount not-to-exceed \$1,945,589.00 during the period beginning January 31, 2023 through June 30, 2028.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,792–N.S.

Consent Calendar

- 10. Contract No. 112798-1 Amendment: Geographic Technologies Group for Geographic Information System Professional Services**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend Contract No. 112798-1 with Geographic Technologies Group (“GTG”) for Geographic Information System (“GIS”) professional services, increasing the amount by \$600,000 for a total contract value of \$1,149,411 from September 14, 2016 to June 30, 2027.
Financial Implications: \$600,000 - IT Cost Allocation Plan Fund.
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,793–N.S.
- 11. Contract No. 32000281 Amendment: ConvergeOne for Avaya Administration, Maintenance and Support**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend Contract No. 32000281 to increase the spending authority with ConvergeOne (previously named Integration Partners) for Avaya telephone system administration, maintenance and support services increasing the amount by \$920,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$2,638,633 from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2027.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,794–N.S.
- 12. Contract No. 32400095 Amendment: Superior, LLC for AS400 Software Maintenance and Support**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to contract No. 32400095 with Superior, LLC (“Superior”) for software maintenance and support of the City of Berkeley (“City”) Public Sector System (“FUND\$”) hosted on an AS400 platform, increasing the amount by \$309,000 for a total not-to-exceed amount \$592,500.00 from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,795–N.S.
- 13. Contract: CompuCom Systems, Inc. (“CompuCom”) for Professional Services**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute a contract with CompuCom for professional services for an amount not to exceed \$1,051,000 through June 30, 2027.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,796–N.S.

Consent Calendar

- 14. Contract 31900042 Amendment: CivicPlus for an Online Recreation Registration and Reservation System (CivicRec)**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend Contract No. 31900042 with CivicPlus, Inc. to provide an online recreation registration and reservation system (CivicRec) by increasing the contract amount by \$28,000, for a total not to exceed amount of \$181,756, and extending the expiration date from November 30, 2025 to November 30, 2026.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Scott Ferris, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront, (510) 981-6700
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,797–N.S.
- 15. Contract: BayGreen, Inc. for Mobile Pumpout and Related Services**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute a contract and any amendments with BayGreen, Inc. for mobile vessel pumpout and related services at the Berkeley Marina in an amount not to exceed \$195,898 for a period of three years, with an option to renew for an additional two years not to exceed \$150,725, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$346,623.
Financial Implications: Marina Fund - \$346,623
Contact: Scott Ferris, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront, (510) 981-6700
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,798–N.S.
- 16. Contract: Cazadero Performing Arts Camp (CPAC) for Erosion Control Improvements**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute a contract and any amendments with Cazadero Performing Arts Camp (CPAC) for creek erosion repair in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Scott Ferris, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront, (510) 981-6700
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,799–N.S.

Consent Calendar

17. **Contract: E.F. Brett & Company, Inc. for MLK Jr. Youth Services Center/Y.A.P Seismic Retrofit and Renovation Project**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution: 1. Approving the plans and specifications for the MLK Jr. Youth Services Center/Y.A.P. Seismic Retrofit and Renovation project, Specification No. 25-11695-C; 2. Rejecting the bid protest of W.E. Lyons Construction Co., the second lowest bidder; 3. Accepting the bid of the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, E.F. Brett & Company, Inc.; and 4. Authorizing the City Manager or their designee 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, with E.F. Brett & Company, Inc. for the MLK Jr. Youth Services Center/Y.A.P. Seismic Retrofit and Renovation Project at 1730 Oregon Street, in an amount not to exceed \$11,859,100 which includes a contract amount consisting of the base bid and bid alternates 1, 4 and 5 of \$10,781,000 and a 10% contingency in the amount of \$1,078,100.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Scott Ferris, Parks, Recreation and Waterfront, (510) 981-6700
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,800–N.S.
18. **Contract No. 32500009 Amendment: Dixon Resources Unlimited**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend Contract No. 32500009 and any necessary future amendments with Dixon Resources Unlimited for the Police Department, to include contract implementation support while increasing the contract amount by \$50,000 for a total not to exceed amount of \$100,000, and a contract extension date to January 31, 2027.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Jennifer Louis, Police, (510) 981-5900
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,801–N.S.

Council Consent Items

19. **Berkeley Humane 11th Annual Pints for Paws Fundraiser: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds from General Funds and Grant of Such Funds**
From: Councilmember Taplin (Author), Mayor Ishii (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Tregub (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Humbert (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 the Berkeley Humane 11th Annual Pints for Paws Fundraiser.
Financial Implications: \$500 - Councilmember Discretionary Fund.
Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,802–N.S. revised to include contributions from the following Councilmembers up to the amounts listed: Councilmember Humbert - \$500; Councilmember Blackaby - \$250; Councilmember Tregub - \$150; Councilmember Bartlett - \$250; Councilmember O’Keefe - \$250.

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20. **Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds from General Funds and Grant of Such Funds to Taste of Downtown Berkeley 2025 Event**
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 \$500 per Councilmember from the D13 Discretionary Accounts of members of the Berkeley City Council, including contributions of \$500 from Mayor Ishii and Councilmembers Tregub and Taplin and \$200 from Councilmember O'Keefe, and inviting other members of the City Council to contribute to the Berkeley Rotary Endowment to support the Third Annual Taste of Downtown Berkeley 2025 with funds relinquished to the City's general fund. The relinquished funds will help the Berkeley Rotary Endowment to host an event featuring and increasing visibility for local business and raise funds for their RotaCare Health Clinic, 4-year Collegiate Scholarship program, and Supportive Housing hygiene kit programs. This year's event will be held on Sunday, June 8, 2025, starting at the Downtown Berkeley Plaza.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Igor Tregub, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,803–N.S. revised to include contributions from the following Councilmembers up to the amounts listed: Councilmember Blackaby - \$250; Councilmember Bartlett - \$200; Councilmember Lunaparra - \$100.
21. **Resolution in Opposition to California Assembly Bill 942 (Calderon), Net energy metering: eligible customer-generators: tariffs**
From: Councilmember Tregub (Author), Councilmember Blackaby (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Lunaparra (Co-Sponsor)
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution in opposition to California State Assembly Bill 942 (Calderon), Net energy metering: eligible customer-generators: tariffs, and distribute copies to California Governor Gavin Newsom, Senator Jesse Arreguín, Assemblymember Buffy Wicks, California Senate President pro Tempore Mike McGuire, and California Assembly Speaker Robert Rivas to oppose its passage.
Financial Implications: Limited staff time
Contact: Igor Tregub, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140
Action: Councilmember O'Keefe added as a co-sponsor. Adopted Resolution No. 71,804–N.S.

Council Consent Items

22. Resolution Opposing the Removal of USPS Mailboxes at the Berkeley Main Post Office

From: Councilmember Tregub (Author), Councilmember Lunaparra (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution opposing the removal of public mailboxes from the Berkeley Main Post Office on Allston Way and urging immediate engagement with United States Postal Service (USPS) leadership to restore these essential public services and send the Resolution to the attention of US Congresswoman Lateefah Simon and US Postmaster.

Financial Implications: Staff time

Contact: Igor Tregub, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140

Action: Approved recommendation as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 by Councilmember Tregub to send a letter instead of adopting a resolution and making other amendments.

23. Resolution in Support of the Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Act Legislative Package – AB 1243 and SB 684

From: Councilmember Tregub (Author), Councilmember Lunaparra (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution in strong support of the Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Act Legislative Package (Assembly Bill (AB) 1243 (Addis, et al) and Senate Bill (SB) 684 (Menjivar, et al), which would hold fossil fuel corporations accountable for their fair share of the damages caused by climate change in California, and transmit the Council's support to Governor Gavin Newsom, Attorney General Rob Bonta, Senate President Pro Tempore Mike McGuire, Senator Jesse Arreguin (SD7), Speaker Robert Rivas, and Assemblymember Buffy Wicks (AD14).

Financial Implications: None

Contact: Igor Tregub, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140

Action: Councilmembers Blackaby and Bartlett added as co-sponsors. Adopted Resolution No. 71,805–N.S.

Council Consent Items

24. **Referral: Oxford for All** *(Reviewed by the Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment & Sustainability Committee)*

From: Councilmember Tregub (Author), Councilmember Lunaparra (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation:

1. Refer to the City Manager to design and construct a quick-build class IV bicycle facility on the east side of Oxford Street and Fulton Street between Bancroft Way and Hearst Avenue and implement pedestrian safety improvements on the corridor, potentially through quick-build planning and construction methods.
2. Refer \$400,000 to the June budget process (FY26 Mid-Biennial Update) to provide the City of Berkeley Public Works Department with necessary funds to support design, engineering, and construction costs for the project.
3. Refer to the City Manager and to The City/UC/Student Relations "4x6" Committee to explore opportunities to leverage existing and establish new financial partnerships with UC Berkeley on safety projects along Oxford Street and adjacent areas, including the Oxford and Bancroft volleyball courts project and similar initiatives.

Policy Committee Recommendation: To send the item to City Council with a positive recommendation.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Igor Tregub, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140

Action: Approved revised recommendation from Councilmember Tregub in to add Councilmember Humbert as a co-sponsor and revise the recommendation to read as below.

1. Provide direction to City Manager and staff to implement city-adopted 2017 Bike Plan, the 2021 UC Berkeley Oxford St./Fulton St. Multimodal Mobility and Urban Design Study and the 2025 Bike Plan Update recommendations on Oxford Street and Fulton Street from Bancroft Way to Hearst Avenue alongside upcoming repaving.

2. Beforehand and until such permanent capital improvements are feasible, refer to the City Manager to design and construct a an interim "quick build" project if deemed feasible, prudent, and non-disruptive to permanent improvements. Improvements implemented should, at minimum, include Class IV protected bike lanes and pedestrian safety facilities. Pedestrian facilities may include daylighting, high-visibility crosswalks, curb extensions, and other improvements that increase safety for pedestrians on the corridor, informed by the above-mentioned plans.

3. Refer to the City Manager to seek funding in the amount of \$400,000 from all available sources including, but not limited to the Street and Open Space Improvement Fund (SOSIP), Measure FF (2024), Long Range Development Plan (LRDP) and refer to the June budget process (FY26 Mid-Biennial Update) to provide the City of Berkeley Public Works Department with funds to support design, engineering, and construction costs for the quick build and permanent components of the project.

4. Refer to the City Manager and to The City/UC/Student Relations "4x6" Committee to explore opportunities to leverage existing and establish new financial partnerships with UC Berkeley on safety projects along Oxford Street and adjacent areas, including the Oxford and Bancroft volleyball courts project and similar initiatives.

Council Consent Items

25. The Berkeley Baby Book Project: Relinquishment of Council Office Budget Funds from General Funds and Grant of Such Funds

From: Councilmember Blackaby (Author), Mayor Ishii (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Humbert (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Taplin (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$250 per Councilmember, including \$250 from Councilmember Blackaby, the Mayor and Councilmembers Humbert and Taplin, to support the Berkeley Baby Book Project, a non-profit, with funds relinquished to the City's general fund. The relinquishment of funds from Councilmember Blackaby and all other Councilmembers who would like to contribute, will provide books to Berkeley children aged 0-5 years. The books are delivered by USPS and addressed to the child who owns them at no cost to their family.

Financial Implications: None

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

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,806–N.S. revised to include contributions from the following Councilmembers up to the amounts listed: Councilmember Tregub - \$250; Councilmember Bartlett - \$200; Councilmember O'Keefe - \$250; Councilmember Lunaparra - \$100.

Action Calendar – New Business

26. Re-Establishment - Berkeley Tourism Business Improvement District (Public Meeting)

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Conduct a public meeting to review and discuss the intention to renew the Berkeley Tourism Business Improvement District (BTBID) for ten (10) years starting July 1, 2025 (hereafter, "BTBID", "Tourism BID", "BID" or "the District"). On May 6, 2025 Council adopted Resolution No. 71,749–N.S., which states the intention to renew the Tourism BID and directed the City Clerk to schedule a public meeting on June 3, 2025, and a public hearing on June 24, 2025 to consider the renewal of the District. Per state law, a public meeting is required at which local officials allow public testimony regarding the proposed new assessment in addition to the noticed public hearing at which the legislative body proposes to enact the assessment.

Financial Implications: See report

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

Action: 2 speakers. Public meeting held.

Action Calendar – Public Hearings

27. Conduct a Public Hearing in Compliance with Assembly Bill 2561 / Government Code § 3502.3 Regarding Vacancies, Recruitment, and Retention Efforts
From: City Manager

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing in compliance with Assembly Bill 2561 (AB 2561) / Government Code § 3502.3 (GC § 3502.3) regarding vacancies, recruitment, and retention efforts.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Monica Walker, Human Resources, (510) 981-6800

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

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

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

Action: Presentation made and discussion held. Report received, including material in Supplemental Communications Packet #1 from the City Manager.

28. Zoning Adjustments Board Appeal: 1950-1998 Shattuck Avenue, Use Permit #ZP2023-0040

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing, and upon conclusion adopt a Resolution denying the appeal and affirming the Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) decision approving Use Permit ZP#2023-0040.

Financial Implications: None

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

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

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

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

Action: M/S/C (Lunaparra/Taplin) to adopt Resolution No. 71,807–N.S. to adopt a Resolution denying the appeal and affirming the Zoning Adjustments Board (ZAB) decision approving Use Permit ZP#2023-0040 with an amendment to Condition of Approval #82 to extend post entitlement deadlines.

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

Information Reports

29. Section 115 Trust Investment Report from Inception to Period Ended June 30, 2024

From: City Manager

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

Action: Received and filed.

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

Adjournment

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

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

Adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Communications

Item #23: Resolution in Support of the Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Act Legislative Package – AB 1243 and SB 684

1. Ashley E. McClure

Encampments and Homelessness

2. Kimberly Cohn
3. Alastair MacDowell
4. Rosemary Hardy
5. Patricia Itamoto
6. Helga Recke
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9. Peter Radu
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16. Nicholas Alexander
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Marina Security

27. Marco Falcioni
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- 30. Jay Karimi
- 31. Peter Kuhn
- 32. Catherine

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- 33. Nora Coyle (9)
- 34. Lenora ONeill (9)
- 35. Isla Peters (9)

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- 36. Emily Rader
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- 40. Sean McMahon
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- 45. Cheryl Davila (2)
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- 48. Richard Makdisi
- 49. Cynthia Papermaster

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- 50. Hansel Aguilar, on behalf of the Police Accountability Board
- 51. Office of the Director of Police Accountability

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- 52. Colin Brauns (2)

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- 53. Inetjalopy (2)

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- 54. Toni Mester
- 55. Matt Taecker

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- 56. Russbumper

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- 57. Meryl Siegal
- 58. Wahid Amiri
- 59. Donna DeDiemar, on behalf of Friends of Hopkins Street (2)

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- 60. Bonnie Borucki

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61. Annamarta Dostourian

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62. Leah Isaacson

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63. Samantha Kanofsky

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64. Nenelle Bunnin

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65. RSW

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66. Daveed Mandell (2)

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67. David Ojakian

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68. Cian Menzel-Jones

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69. Dorothea Dorenz

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70. Nicola Spence

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71. Avery Ryan

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72. Camille Antinori, on behalf of the Berkeley Waterfront Community Coalition

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73. Nate Kaplan, on behalf of GoRail

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74. Ellen Wu, on behalf of Urban Habitat

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75. Ahmed Elghiyati (2)

76. Sophie Hahn

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77. Manu Seth

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78. Gabriel Duncan, on behalf of Alameda Native History Project

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79. Bahram Gangei

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