

**ANNOTATED AGENDA  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL**

**Wednesday, July 23, 2025  
6:00 PM**

SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD ROOM - 1231 ADDISON STREET, BERKELEY, CA 94702  
TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - MARINA DEL SOL C-202, IXTAPA, ZIHUATANEJO  
DE AZUETA, 40884, GUERRERO, MÉXICO

TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - 5617 NW JETTY AVE, LINCOLN CITY 97367  
TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - TÜRKMEN MAH. ÜNLÜ SOK. NO. 6 KUŞADASI,  
AYDIN, TÜRKIYE

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:** 6:07 p.m.

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

**Absent:** Bartlett, O'Keefe

Councilmember Bartlett present at 6:10 p.m.

**Public Comment:** 1 speaker.

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

- 1. Landmarks Preservation Commission Appeal: 2425 Durant, Landmark application #LMIN2024-0008**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing, and upon conclusion adopt a Resolution upholding the appeal and reversing the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) decision to designate the subject property as a City Landmark.  
**Financial Implications:** None  
Contact: Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 5 speakers.  
M/S/C (Humbert/Taplin) to close the public hearing.

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

**Action:** M/S/C (Kesarwani/Taplin) to adopt Resolution No. 71,904–N.S., including the supplemental material received from the City Manager in the Supplemental Communications Packet 2, upholding the appeal and reversing the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) decision to designate the subject property as a City Landmark.

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

Councilmember Blackaby absent 7:35 p.m. – 7:37 p.m.

## Action Calendar – Public Hearings

2. **Landmarks Preservation Commission Appeal: 2138 Kittredge, Landmark application #LMIN2024-0006**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing, and upon conclusion adopt a Resolution upholding the appeal and reversing the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) decision to designate the subject property as a City Landmark.  
**Financial Implications:** None  
Contact: Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 3 speakers.  
M/S/C (Taplin/Tregub) to close the public hearing.

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

**Action:** M/S/C (Tregub/Humbert) to adopt Resolution No. 71,905–N.S. upholding the appeal and reversing the Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) decision to designate the subject property as a City Landmark.

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

Recess 8:09 p.m. – 8:20 p.m.

3. **Zoning Adjustment Board Appeal: 2655 Shattuck, Use Permit #ZP2024-0057**  
**From: City Manager**  
**Recommendation:** Conduct a public hearing, and upon conclusion adopt a Resolution denying the appeal and affirming the Zoning Adjustment Board (ZAB) decision to approve Use Permit #ZP2024-0057 to demolish a one-story, 8,185-square-foot, non-residential building and construct an eight-story (85 feet), 84,399-square-foot mixed-use residential building containing 97 dwelling units (including ten Very Low-Income Density Bonus qualifying units), 2,117 square feet of ground-floor commercial space and 41 vehicle parking space, on a 23,527 square foot lot.  
**Financial Implications:** None  
Contact: Jordan Klein, Planning and Development, (510) 981-7400

**Public Testimony:** The Mayor opened the public hearing. 19 speakers.  
M/S/C (Taplin/Humbert) to close the public hearing.

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

**Action:** M/S/C (Kesarwani/Humbert) to adopt Resolution No. 71,906–N.S. denying the appeal and affirming the Zoning Adjustment Board (ZAB) decision to approve Use Permit #ZP2024-0057 to demolish a one-story, 8,185-square-foot, non-residential building and construct an eight-story (85 feet), 84,399-square-foot mixed-use residential building containing 97 dwelling units (including ten Very Low-Income Density Bonus qualifying units), 2,117 square feet of ground-floor commercial space and 41 vehicle parking space, on a 23,527 square foot lot.

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

## Adjournment

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

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

Adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

## Communications

**Item #3: Zoning Adjustment Board Appeal: 2655 Shattuck, Use Permit #ZP2024-0057**

1. Marianne Sluis

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 1

**Item #3: Zoning Adjustment Board Appeal: 2655 Shattuck, Use Permit #ZP2024-0057**

2. Jonathan Streeter
3. Elizabeth Ditmars

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 2

**Item #1: Landmarks Preservation Commission Appeal: 2425 Durant, Landmark application #LMIN2024-0008**

4. Supplemental agenda material submitted by the Planning & Development Department

**Item #1: Landmarks Preservation Commission Appeal: 2425 Durant, Landmark application #LMIN2024-0008**

**Item #2: Landmarks Preservation Commission Appeal: 2138 Kittredge, Landmark application #LMIN2024-0006**

5. Thalia Lubin (2)
6. Ellen Goldblatt
7. Sharon Entwistle
8. Harry Delmer
9. Emily Fox
10. Joan Hart
11. Virginia Jansen
12. Bill Grove
13. Doris Fulder Nassiry
14. Maxine Risley
15. Leah Shelleda
16. Deborah Finch
17. Jerri Holan
18. Tobey M. Wiebe
19. Leila Moncharsh on behalf of the Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association
20. Isaac Warshauer on behalf of the Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association (4)
21. John Brennan
22. Gillian Bagwell

23. Dahlia Armon
24. Stephanie Manning
25. Dan Slobin
26. Phil Allen
27. John Hitchen
28. Harvey Smith
29. Krishna Shekhawat
30. Michael Barglow

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31. Elizabeth Riddle
32. Mark Goudy
33. Charlotte Shimura
34. Sally Bean

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

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35. Presentation submitted by the Planning & Development Department

**Item #2: Landmarks Preservation Commission Appeal: 2138 Kittredge, Landmark application #LMIN2024-0006**

36. Presentation submitted by the Planning & Development Department

**Item #3: Zoning Adjustment Board Appeal: 2655 Shattuck, Use Permit #ZP2024-0057**

37. Presentation submitted by the Planning & Development Department
38. Charles Kassier
39. Nicholas Eckenwiler on behalf of the California Housing Defense Fund

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40. Robert Kehlmann
41. Gale Garcia
42. Gerhard Blendstrup
43. Dan Slobin
44. Ann Pagliaro
45. Judith Thomas
46. Paul T. Roberts
47. Robert Johnson
48. Deborah Green (2)
49. Holly M. Smith
50. Jane McKinne-Mayer
51. Steven Schuyler
52. Lorraine Lerman

- 53. Amy Di Costanzo
- 54. Brandon Ice
- 55. Lynn Zamarra
- 56. Jane Goodwin
- 57. Hal and Turi Reynolds

**Miscellaneous**

- 58. Ryan Lau on behalf of AC Transit