

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

**Tuesday, January 27, 2026
4:00 PM**

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

TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - MARRIOTT MARQUIS WASHINGTON D.C.,
901 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20001

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: 4:09 p.m.

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

Absent: Kesarwani, Bartlett

Councilmember Kesarwani present at 4:14 p.m.

Councilmember Bartlett present at 4:33 p.m.

Action Calendar – New Business

1. 2026 City Council Referral Prioritization Process Using Re-Weighted Range Voting (RRV)

From: City Manager

Recommendation: (1) Review the City Council raw scores for all outstanding City Council referrals; (2) Approve the removal of referrals that have been nominated for removal by the Council; and (3) Direct the City Manager to run the ranking algorithm and return to Council with a final ranked list of referrals for adoption.

Financial Implications: None

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

Action: 0 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held. M/S/C (Kesarwani/Humbert) to 1) remove the referrals listed below from the list of referrals, and 2) direct staff to run the RRV algorithm and return to Council on February 10 with the prioritized list of referrals.

DMND0004241	Companion Report: Affordable Housing for Artists Report (Rec #4)
DMND0004129	Amendments to Title 23 Relating to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs)
DMND0004101	Development of Artists Affordable Housing Certification Program
DMND0004063	Referral: Establishing an Electric Bike Rebate Program
DMND0004009	Referring to the City Manager to Establish a Policy of Reducing or Waiving Park Fees for Free, Permitted Outdoor Theater, Arts Events, and Other Events
DMND0003997	Referral to the City Manager to Establish a Marina Master Plan for Parking with a Consideration for Establishing a Waterfront Parking Benefits District
DMND0003975	Referral to Strengthen Public Health and Environmental Impact Mitigation for Industrial Facilities in the Manufacturing Zone

DMND0004242	Companion Report: Affordable Housing for Artists Report (Rec #5)
DMND0004135	Southside Zoning Amendments
DMND0004111	Conduct a Study on the City's History of Discriminatory Actions in Housing Policies/Programs
DMND0004110	Adopting a temporary exemption from the collection of taxes under BMC Chapter 9.04.136(D): Tax Rate for Non-Medical and Medical Cannabis Businesses
DMND0004106	Bird Safe Building Requirements; Adding Berkeley Municipal Code Section 23.304.150
DMND0004058	Referral to Conduct an Automatic Traffic Calming Review for the Area Immediately Surrounding the Project at 1201-1205 San Pablo Avenue
DMND0004188	Planning Commission Referral for a Pilot Density Bonus Program for the Telegraph Avenue Commercial District

Vote: All Ayes.

Adjournment

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 4:54 p.m.

Communications

Item #1: 2026 City Council Referral Prioritization Process Using Re-Weighted Range Voting (RRV)

1. Elizabeth Thomas

Supplemental Communications and Reports 1

- None

Supplemental Communications and Reports 2

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2. Marty Lynch
3. Steve Lustig
4. Jasmine Durr on behalf of Steve Lustig

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5. Presentation submitted by the City Clerk Department
6. Linda Maio