

# ANNOTATED AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL

Tuesday, June 23, 2026  
6:00 PM

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

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:** 6:19 p.m.

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

**Absent:** None

Councilmember Bartlett participated in the meeting remotely under the “just cause” exception in the Brown Act due to a caregiving need.

## Action Calendar

### 1. **Adoption of Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 Biennial Budget and Fiscal Years 2027 – 2031 Capital Improvement Program**

**From:** City Manager

**Recommendation:**

Adopt a Resolution:

1. Adopting the Fiscal Years 2027 & 2028 (“FY27 and FY28”) Biennial Budget and the Fiscal Years 2027 – 2031 Capital Improvement Program (Five-Year CIP) as contained in the City Manager’s FY27 & FY28 Proposed Biennial Budget, and as amended by subsequent Council action.

2. Authorizing the City Manager to provide applicable advances to community agencies receiving City funds in FY27, as reflected in Attachment 2 to the report, and as amended by subsequent Council action.

**Financial Implications:** See report

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

**Action:** M/S/C (Tregub/Taplin) to accept revised material from the City Manager for consideration.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

Recess 8:31 p.m. – 9:10 p.m.

**Action:** M/S/Failed (Kesarwani/Blackaby) to adopt a resolution adopting the Fiscal Years 2027 & 2028 (“FY27 and FY28”) Biennial Budget and the Fiscal Years 2027 – 2031 Capital Improvement Program (Five-Year CIP) as contained in the City Manager’s FY27 & FY28 Proposed Biennial Budget, and authorizing the City Manager to provide applicable advances to community agencies receiving City funds in FY27, including the amendments in the revised material in the Supplemental 2 Packet from the City Manager and the revised material provided by the City Manager at the meeting, and including the revisions and allocations presented by Mayor Ishii and as further revised at the meeting by Council action as noted below:

- *Accept the allocations in the Mayor’s supplemental budget recommendations, presented by Mayor Ishii at the meeting, with the exception that for Small Sites, \$2,500,000 will be retained for Small Sites, and \$1,300,000 will be retained in the Housing Trust Fund for Affordable Housing.*

## Action Calendar – New Business

- *In the CIP, move the following four items to the “unfunded and pending” status, pending further review by staff and the Safe Streets Oversight Committee:*
  - *Citywide Traffic Signal Master Plan*
  - *Transportation Design Guideline Study*
  - *Transportation Nexus Study*
  - *Vision Zero Action Plan update Phased Implementation Roadmap*
- *In both FY 2027 and FY 2028 increase the amount of the revenue transfer for the Annual Ambulance Transport Revenue by \$200,000 to fund the 9.0 positions in the Fire Department.*
- *Clarify that the revenue transfer of \$25,000 in FY 2028 for the Euclid Street Garbage Corral Design is a reduction to the budget, rather than a relinquishment of funds.*
- *Add clarifying language regarding Small Sites that the acquisition needs to take place within 36 months of the non-profit receiving the funding from the City, otherwise the funding is to be returned to the City.*

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

**Action:** 92 speakers. M/S/Carried (Humbert/Tregub) to adopt Resolution No. 72,340–N.S. adopting the Fiscal Years 2027 & 2028 (“FY27 and FY28”) Biennial Budget and the Fiscal Years 2027 – 2031 Capital Improvement Program (Five-Year CIP) as contained in the City Manager’s FY27 & FY28 Proposed Biennial Budget, and authorizing the City Manager to provide applicable advances to community agencies receiving City funds in FY27, including the amendments in the revised material in the Supplemental 2 Packet from the City Manager and the revised material provided by the City Manager at the meeting, and including the revisions and allocations presented by Mayor Ishii in the Supplemental Budget Recommendations and as further revised at the meeting by Council action as noted below:

- *In the CIP, move the following four items to the “unfunded and pending” status, pending further review by staff and the Safe Streets Oversight Committee:*
  - *Citywide Traffic Signal Master Plan*
  - *Transportation Design Guideline Study*
  - *Transportation Nexus Study*
  - *Vision Zero Action Plan update Phased Implementation Roadmap*
- *In both FY 2027 and FY 2028 increase the amount of the revenue transfer for the Annual Ambulance Transport Revenue by \$200,000 to fund the 9.0 positions in the Fire Department (for a total of \$978,334 in FY 2027 as reflected in the table below).*
- *Clarify that the revenue transfer of \$25,000 in FY 2028 for the Euclid Street Garbage Corral Design is a reduction to the District 6 office budget, rather than a relinquishment of funds.*
- *Add clarifying language regarding Small Sites that the acquisition of property needs to take place within 36 months of the non-profit receiving the funding from the City, otherwise the funding is to be returned to the City.*

### Supplemental Budget Recommendations

Special Fund Allocations	Title	FY 2027	FY 2028
Streets & Open Space Improvement Plan (SOSIP)	Downtown Berkeley Revitalization Projects	\$2,800,000	
Refer to the LRDP Funding Process	Creating Accessible Routes for Riders, Equity, and the Environment (CARFREE) Berkeley	\$662,500	\$662,500

## Action Calendar – New Business

<b>Special Fund Allocations</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>FY 2027</b>	<b>FY 2028</b>
HTF FY2026 carry over of \$2.5M unspent budgeted for Small Sites; add \$1.3M of currently unallocated 5/19/2026	Small Sites	\$3,800,000	
Refer to the LRDP funding process \$100k, stipulate that UCB must match the \$100K allocation	Sacred Rest/Village of Love	\$100,000	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$7,362,500</b>	<b>\$662,500</b>
<b>General Fund Direct Transfer</b>			
\$180K from FY26 D8 Salary Savings \$70K from FY27 D8 Council Office Budget	PITCH Project to Increase Tele & Claremont Housing	\$250,000	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$250,000</b>	
<b>General Fund: Expenses</b>			
	1 OED FTE identified for removal in the CMO Reduction Plan (\$236K)	\$236,000	
	Solano Stroll	\$40,000	
	Live Free	\$200,000	
	DBA Outreach worker	\$38,000	
	Fire Inspector 1.0 FTE	\$238,232	
	5.0 FTE Fire Fighters (Step 1)	\$1,109,795	
	3.0 FTE Paramedics (Step 1)	\$380,307	
	Euclid Street Garbage Corral Design	\$50,000	\$25,000
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,292,334</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>
<b>General Fund: Revenue Transfers</b>			
	Mayor's Salary Savings FY26	\$160,000	
	CAO Non-Personnel	\$52,000	
	CAO Salary Savings FY26	\$100,000	
	VTO	\$87,000	
	City Council Catering FY27	\$15,000	
	Cannabis Settlement	\$100,000	
	Increased Annual Ambulance Transport Revenue	\$978,334	
	Euclid Street Garbage Corral Design	\$50,000	\$25,000
	General Fund	\$750,000	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$2,292,334</b>	<b>\$25,000</b>

**Vote:** All Ayes.

Recess 10:05 p.m. – 10:10 p.m.

## Action Calendar – New Business

### 2. FY 2027 Annual Appropriations Ordinance

**From:** City Manager

**Recommendation:** Adopt first reading of an Ordinance adopting the FY 2027 Annual Appropriations Ordinance (AAO) in the amount of \$916,819,369 (gross appropriations) and \$791,496,351 (net appropriations).

**Financial Implications:** See report

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

**Action:** 0 speakers. M/S/C (Tregub/Humbert) to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 8,029–N.S. as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 from the City Manager and further amended by actions adopted at the meeting by the City Council with a gross appropriations amount of \$921,596,116 and a net appropriations amount of \$795,829,332. Second reading scheduled for July 7, 2026.

**Vote:** All Ayes.

## Adjournment

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

**Vote:** All Ayes.

Adjourned at 10:16 p.m.

## Communications

### Item #1: Fiscal Years 2027 & 2028 Biennial Budget Adoption and 5-Year CIP Adoption

1. Keith May on behalf of the Disaster and Fire Safety Commission

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 1

- None

## Supplemental Communications and Reports 2

### Item #1: Adoption of Fiscal Years 2027 and 2028 Biennial Budget and Fiscal Years 2027 – 2031 Capital Improvement Program

2. Supplemental agenda material submitted by Councilmember Rashi Kesarwani, Councilmember Brent Blackaby, and Councilmember Terry Taplin
3. Revised agenda material submitted by the City Manager's Office

### Item #2: FY 2027 Annual Appropriations Ordinance

4. Revised agenda material submitted by the City Manager's Office

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5. Revised agenda material submitted by the City Manager's Office
6. Office of the Director of Police Accountability on behalf of the Police Accountability Board
7. Vivian Pisano
8. Bernard McPhillips

9. Debbie Woods
10. Gael Alcock
11. Michai Freeman
12. Rose
13. Dina
14. Rochelle Blumenfeld
15. Maryann OSullivan
16. Veta Jacquilin
17. Richard H. Fish
18. Virginia Browning
19. Erica Buhrmann
20. Shelley McHugh
21. Joel Myerson
22. Mia Verdin
23. Susan Moon
24. Robert Perelman
25. Melissa Riley
26. Dom Falk
27. Hari Murthy
28. Eric Rakowski
29. Moni Law
30. Carol Curtis
31. Melanie Lawrence and John Smail
32. Michel Thouati
33. Friends of Adeline
34. Susan Aumiller
35. Erik Ferry
36. John Rea
37. Meg Sedlak
38. Jen Kelly-DeWitt
39. Sam Greenberg
40. Ben Gerhardstein on behalf of Wike Bike Berkeley, East Bay for Everyone, Bike East Bay, Telegraph for People, and East Bay YIMBY
41. Carla Schneiderman
42. Christopher Kroll
43. Beatriz Leyva-Cutler
44. Helaine Kaplan Prentice
45. Blair Prentice
46. Amy Blyth
47. Rafael Jesus Gonzalez
48. Sonya Baehr and Thomas W. Jones
49. Chris Lee-Egan
50. Karen Bowen
51. Cameron Woo
52. Dev Dhanoa
53. Karina Epperlein
54. Scott and Kathryn Hambly
55. Don Cornejo (2)
56. Priscilla Hine
57. Denise Hingle

58. Dan Villarreal
59. Bernard Marszalek
60. Geta Carlson
61. Jeff Morgan
62. Moni Gangopadhyay (2)
63. Deirdre Duhan
64. Liz Ruhland
65. Wilhelmenia Wilson
66. Kathleen Crandall
67. Tim Daniels
68. Claudia Kawczynska
69. Jeanne Schuman
70. John Hitchen
71. Pam Zelnik and Mark Stuhr
72. Elana Auerbach
73. Jill Martinucci
74. Fran Haselsteiner
75. Melissa Weaver
76. Tony Corman
77. Claudia Smukler
78. Yen Trac
79. Laura Klein
80. Betty Seto
81. Eric Svahn
82. Rick Diamond
83. Micky Duxbury
84. Robin Kibby
85. Willie Phillips
86. Jennifer Rose
87. Erik Schmitt
88. Christina Oatfield
89. Martin Nicolaus
90. Steve Kromer (2)
91. Mary Ann Meany and Donald Santos
92. Justine Schwartz
93. Gail McGuire (2)
94. Phyllis Orrick
95. Lori Hines
96. Eric Weaver
97. Shantee Baker
98. Susan Black
99. Moni Law
100. Linda Olivenbaum
101. Jonathan Singh
102. Michael R. Hegarty
103. S. Omowale Fowles
104. Sandra Wolfe
105. Eric Friedman (2)
106. Cathy Fogel
107. Irene Rice

108. Carol Denney
109. Elizabeth Ferguson
110. Jonathan Weinstock
111. Jeffrey Bloomfield
112. Linda Franklin
113. Tony Hansen
114. Anita Medal
115. Margot Smith
116. Kelly Hammargren
117. Jessica Fain
118. Juli Dickey
119. Joan Grant
120. Candace Hyde-Wang
121. Kande Mosley Gandhi and Sharon Goldfarb on behalf of the League of Women Voters of Berkeley, Albany, Emeryville
122. Caroline Winnett
123. Tamara Gunn
124. Kathy Stuart
125. Alicia D. Telford
126. Ruth Ehrenkrantz
127. Moe Wright
128. Kate H.
129. Zipporah Collins
130. Amy Young
131. Dorothea Dorenz (2)
132. Ellen Brotsky
133. Dennis Mulqueaney
134. Susan and Roy Bogas
135. Bobbie Steinhart
136. Janice Schroeder
137. Lanny DeVuono
138. Barbara Fisher
139. Csilla Kenny
140. Madelyn Weiss
141. Carol Hirth
142. Matt Gustafson
143. Juana Alicia Araiza
144. Mark Mueller