



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
March 25, 2025

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager
Submitted by: Mark Numainville, City Clerk
Subject: Minutes for Approval

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the minutes for the Council meetings of February 3, 2025 (closed), February 11, 2025 (special and regular), February 25 2025 (special and regular).

CONTACT PERSON

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

Attachments:

1. February 3, 2025 – Special Closed City Council Meeting
2. February 11, 2025 – Special City Council Meeting
3. February 11, 2025 – Regular City Council Meeting
4. February 25, 2025 – Special City Council Meeting
5. February 25, 2025 – Regular City Council Meeting

**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2025**

4:00 P.M.

2180 MILVIA STREET, BERKELEY, CA 94702

ADENA ISHII, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

DISTRICT 1 – RASHI KESARWANI
DISTRICT 2 – TERRY TAPLIN
DISTRICT 3 – BEN BARTLETT
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Preliminary Matters

Roll Call: 4:02 p.m.

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

Absent: Bartlett

Public Comment - Limited to items on this agenda only – 0 speakers

CLOSED SESSION:

The City Council will convene in closed session to meet concerning the following:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(2)

a. WCAB Matter: #ADJ16295740; Claim #BER2200103

Action: M/S/C (Humbert/Tregub) to provide direction to outside counsel and approved a settlement by Compromise and Release without a release of future medical care, as to a workers' compensation matter #BER2200103 and a WCAB Case Number ADJ16295740 for \$530,000.

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

b. WCAB Matter: #ADJ3710721; Claim #BER0100193

Action: M/S/C (Humbert/Kesarwani) to provide direction to outside counsel and approved a settlement by Compromise and Release with a release of future medical care, as to a workers' compensation matter #BER0100193 and a WCAB Case Number ADJ3710721 for \$85,000.

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

2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS; GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6

Negotiators: Paul Buddenhagen, City Manager, Tasha Tervalon, Deputy City Manager, Sharon Friedrichsen, Deputy City Manager, Aram Kouyoumdjian, Human Resources Director, Monica Walker, Human Resources Manager, Chaka Young, Employee Relations Manager

Employee Organizations: Berkeley Fire Fighters Association Local 1227 I.A.F.F., Berkeley Fire Fighters Association, Local 1227 I.A.F.F. / Berkeley Chief Fire Officers Association; Berkeley Police Association; SEIU 1021 Community Services and Part-time Recreation Activity Leaders, SEIU 1021 Maintenance and Clerical, Public Employee Union Local 1, Unrepresented Employees

Action: No reportable action taken.

OPEN SESSION:

The City Council met in closed session on February 3, 2025, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and provided directions to outside counsel and approved a settlement by Compromise and Release without a release of future medical care, as to a workers' compensation matter #BER2200103 and a WCAB Case Number ADJ16295740.

The City Council met in closed session on February 3, 2025, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and provided directions to outside counsel and approved a settlement by Compromise and Release with a release of future medical care, as to a workers' compensation matter #BER0100193 and a WCAB Case Number ADJ3710721.

Adjournment

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

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

Adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the closed session meeting held on February 3, 2025.

Mark Numainville, City Clerk

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, February 11, 2025
4:00 PM**

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

ADENA ISHII, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

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Preliminary Matters

Roll Call: 4:08 p.m.

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

Absent: Kesarwani, Bartlett

Councilmember Bartlett present at 4:19 p.m.

Councilmember Kesarwani present at 4:20 p.m.

Action Calendar – New Business

1a. **Effective Mitigations for Berkeley’s Ember Resilience (EMBER): Fire Code Amendments**

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Provide feedback and direction on next steps for consideration or implementation of the following three proposals:

Proposal 1: Create a Berkeley Fire Zone 4 within the Fire Code to include – at minimum - the areas between Wildcat Canyon Rd. to the east, Grizzly Peak Blvd to the west, and the Berkeley City Limits to the south and north;

Proposal 2: Repeal the Berkeley Fire Code (BMC Chapter 19.48) and reenact BMC Chapter 19.48 to include an ember resistant “Zone Zero” and other defensible space best practices (Attachment 1) and schedule a Public Hearing for the first reading on March 25, 2025 pursuant to state law; and

Proposal 3: Research the Quantifying the Negative (QTN) approach, a methodology that measures the economic value of fire services by quantifying the losses it prevents and how it may be applied to quantify the value of the EMBER initiative, which staff would bring back to City Council no later than December 2025.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: David Sprague, Fire, (510) 981-3473

Action: 40 speakers. M/S/C (Blackaby/Humbert) to:

1. Refer Items 1a, 1b, and 1c to the City Manager for 1) additional public outreach; 2) consideration of feedback from the Council and the public; and 3) to refine the proposals and present them to the Council for adoption in March 2025 or as noted in the item.
2. Refer Item 1d to the City Manager as written in the recommendation.

Vote: All Ayes.

Action Calendar – New Business

1b. Effective Mitigations for Berkeley’s Ember Resilience (EMBER): Building Code Amendments

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Staff will return to Council by the end of 2025 with a resolution for the triannual adoption of the existing Berkeley Building, Historical and Fire Codes that will be applicable to Berkeley Fire Zone 3 and 4. These amendments to the 2025 California Building Standards will strengthen defenses against ignition of structures from embers, radiant heat and direct flame impingement during wildfire. Staff seeks Council’s input on this proposal and plan to return to Council at the end of 2025 with a resolution proposed for adoption that incorporates the Council’s feedback.

The amendments may include but are not limited to requiring Class A roofs during partial replacement of non-compliant roof and roof structures, requiring replacement of combustible siding with California Building Code (CBC) Chapter 7A compliant siding during partial replacements, installation of metal gutters and screens, installation of Chapter 7A compliant vents or vent screens, replacement of combustible decks and fences with Chapter 7A compliant materials and design during partial replacement, and six inches of vertical separation measured from the ground to any combustible siding.

Because of the fiscal impact that some of this work will have for homeowners, staff plans to investigate Federal, State or Municipal programs that would provide incentives and loans for improvements to existing non-compliant homes that focus on the highest priority items, such as roof material, siding, decks, ember resistant vents, and a 6” vertical separation between the siding and the ground at the base of a home near the foundation.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: David Sprague, Fire, (510) 981-3473

Action: See action listed under Item 1a.

1c. Effective Mitigations for Berkeley’s Ember Resilience (EMBER): Leave Early and Fire Department Staffing

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Provide insights, feedback and input on two proposals below as well as desired next steps:

1. Proposal 1: Evaluate the thresholds for the City’s Extreme Fire Weather designation and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s (NOAA) Particularly Dangerous Situation (PDS) designation, considering how use of each would impact the City’s “Leave Early” concept. Staff propose returning to City Council no later than the 2nd week of May 2025; and
2. Proposal 2: Affirm City Council support for Fire Department staffing recommendations 1, 5, 6, and 10 from the Fire Department Standards of Coverage and Community Risk Assessment (SOC) study.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: David Sprague, Fire, (510) 981-3473

Action: See action listed under Item 1a.

Action Calendar – New Business

1d. Request Inter-Departmental Collaboration and Implementation of Safe Passages

From: Councilmember Blackaby (Author), Councilmember Humbert (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember O'Keefe (Co-Sponsor)

Recommendation: Refer to the City Manager to direct the Departments of Public Works, Police and Fire to work collaboratively to implement Safe Passages Program – EMBER Initiative Phase 1 and 2 and report back to City Council on progress no later than the 2nd week of May 2025. This program will further facilitate responder ingress and community evacuation during wildfires by developing a plan to create and enforce no-parking zones in addition to existing 24/7/365 red curbs and no-parking zones during extreme fire weather conditions and/or the broader fire season.

Financial Implications: See report

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

Action: See action listed under Item 1a. Councilmember Taplin added as a co-sponsor in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 from Councilmember Blackaby.

Adjournment

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

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Communications

- None

Supplemental Communications and Reports 1

- None

Supplemental Communications and Reports 2

Item #1a: Effective Mitigations for Berkeley's Ember Resilience (EMBER): Fire Code Amendments

1. Yen Trac
2. Gail Machlis
3. Janice Thomas
4. John E. Rosenthal
5. Leah Rosenthal
6. David Lerman

7. Sara Sanderson
8. Alfred Twu
9. Michel G. Thouati

Item #1d: Request Inter-Departmental Collaboration and Implementation of Safe Passages

10. Revised agenda material submitted by Councilmember Brent Blackaby

Supplemental Communications and Reports 3

Item #1a: Effective Mitigations for Berkeley's Ember Resilience (EMBER): Fire Code Amendments

Item #1b: Effective Mitigations for Berkeley's Ember Resilience (EMBER): Building Code Amendments

Item #1c: Effective Mitigations for Berkeley's Ember Resilience (EMBER): Leave Early and Fire Department Staffing

Item #1d: Request Inter-Departmental Collaboration and Implementation of Safe Passages

11. Presentation submitted by the Berkeley Fire Department
12. John S. Robey
13. Patrick Buechner
14. Caroline Winnett (2)
15. Susan and Roy Bogas
16. Frederique Wynberg and Thomas Hutcheson
17. Isabelle Gaston
18. Ruth Ehrenkrantz
19. Katie Johnson
20. Daniel Levine
21. Residents on Berkeley Hills
22. Marcus von Engel
23. David Lerman
24. Robin Kibby

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Preliminary Matters

Roll Call: 6:50 p.m.

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

Absent: None

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 Chochochenyo (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 the Stabbing Victim at San Pablo Park
2. Adjourn in Memory of Elise Lusk, Traffic Violence Victim at Ada Street and California Street
3. Adjourn in Memory of Gwen McNeal, Berkeley Community Member
4. Adjourn in Memory of Michael Burawoy, Retired UC Berkeley Professor

City Manager Comments: None

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters: 10 speakers.

Public Comment by Employee Unions: 1 speaker.

Consent Calendar

Public Comment on Consent Calendar and Information Items Only: 30 speakers.

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Consent Calendar

1. Minutes for Approval

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Approve the minutes for the Council meetings of December 3, 2024 (closed, special, and regular), December 10, 2024 (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 February 11, 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: Various Funds - \$848,000

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

Action: Approved recommendation.

3. Contract No. 32300108 Third Amendment: Street Level Advisors, LLC for Housing Consulting Services

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute a third amendment to Contract No. 32300108 with Street Level Advisors, LLC increasing the contract by \$180,000 for consulting services in a total amount not to exceed \$379,500, with a contract end date of June 30, 2026.

Financial Implications: See report

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

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,659–N.S.

4. Program Manager II Classification: 5% Differential for Assignment in City Manager's Office

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution amending the Unrepresented Employee Manual to add a 5% salary differential to Program Manager II positions assigned to the City Manager's Office.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Aram Kouyoumdjian, Human Resources, (510) 981-6800

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,660–N.S.

Consent Calendar

5. **Contract No. 32000223 Amendment: Gray Quarter, Inc. for Accela Professional Services**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32000223 with Gray Quarter, Inc. (Gray Quarter) for professional services, increasing the amount by \$120,000, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$419,500 through January 31, 2026
Financial Implications: U1 Admin Fund - \$120,000
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,661–N.S.

Council Consent Items

6. **Resolution in Support of the Commissioning of a California Feasibility Study to Implement “Golden State Energy,” a Not-for-Profit Public Utility Model**
From: Councilmember Tregub (Author), Councilmember Lunaparra (Author)
Recommendation: Adopt a resolution in support of the allocation of state fiscal and staff resources to commission a feasibility study that compares various not-for-profit utility models prioritizing public benefits in energy generation, distribution, and transmission; the development an equitable implementation plan that establishes a statewide successor entity known as “Golden State Energy” as a successor to investor-owned utilities such as Pacific Gas and Electric; and transmittal of the Council’s support of such a resolution to Governor Gavin Newsom, Senator Jesse Arreguín (SD7) and Assemblymember Buffy Wicks (AD14).
Financial Implications: See report.
Contact: Igor Tregub, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,662–N.S. as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 from Councilmember Tregub.

Action Calendar – New Business

7. **Refer to City Manager study of intersections with traffic diverters**
From: Councilmember Humbert (Author), Councilmember O'Keefe (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Blackaby (Co-Sponsor)
Recommendation: Refer to the City Manager a request to have staff prioritize study of intersections that include traffic diverters but do not feature stop signs; additionally, staff are requested to review past Council referrals for adoption of National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) street design standards and provide an update on the status and timeline for meeting past policy directives. Examples of intersections to be studied include but are not limited to: - Ada and California Street; - Grant Street and Berkeley Way; - Yolo and Milvia Street; - McGee and Virginia Street; - Derby and Mabel Streets; - Piedmont and Russell Street; - Hillegass and Woolsey Street; - Park and Russell Street; - Mabel and Russell Street.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Mark Humbert, Councilmember, District 8, (510) 981-7180
Action: Councilmember Tregub added as a co-sponsor. Approved recommendation as revised in Supplemental Communications Packet #2 from Councilmember Humbert.

Recess 8:06 p.m. – 8:18 p.m.

Action Calendar – New Business

8. **2009 Leases Audit Follow-Up: Berkeley Faces the Same Risks 16 Years Later**
From: Auditor
Recommendation: Our recommendations include clarifying roles and responsibilities for lease oversight, updating the lease policy, and developing a complete central list of leases and licenses. We recommend City Council request that the City Manager report back during the next follow-up period in fall 2025, and every year thereafter, regarding the status of the 8 re-opened recommendations until reported fully implemented by the Public Works Department and City Manager's Office. They have agreed to our findings, re-opened recommendations, and guidance for implementing the recommendations. Please see our report for their complete response.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Jenny Wong, Auditor, (510) 981-6750
Action: 2 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held. M/S/C (Taplin/Blackaby) to approve the recommendation from the City Auditor.
Vote: All Ayes.

Action Calendar – New Business

9. Proposed Amendments to the Building Emissions Saving Ordinance (BESO)

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt the first reading of amendments to the Building Emissions Saving Ordinance (BESO), Chapter 19.81 of the Berkeley Municipal Code, to establish a flexible resilience standard for small residential buildings containing up to four units.

Financial Implications: See report

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

Action: 17 speakers. M/S/C (Kesarwani/Blackaby) to: 1) adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 7,953-N.S. amended to establish the escrow deposit amount at \$5,000; 2) refer the 50/50 buyer/seller split to the City Attorney for analysis; 3) refer to the City Manager to award six points for panel upgrades; and 4) request an evaluation report three years after implementation. Second reading scheduled for March 25, 2025.

Vote: All Ayes.

Report from Closed Session

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Information Reports

10. FY 2024 Fourth Quarter Investment Report: Ended June 30, 2024

From: City Manager

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

Action: Received and filed.

11. LPO NOD: 1310 University Avenue/#LMSA2024-0001

From: City Manager

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

Action: Received and filed.

12. LPO NOD: 2500-12 San Pablo Avenue/#LMIN2024-0004

From: City Manager

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

Action: Received and filed.

Public Comment – Items Not Listed on the Agenda – 10 speakers.

Adjournment

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

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

Adjourned at 10:46 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the City Council regular meeting held on February 11, 2025.

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Communications

Item #7: Refer to City Manager study of intersections with traffic diverters

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

1. David Lerman (2)
2. Shirley Kirsten
3. Sandra Sanchez
4. Mike Dunham
5. Aviv Nitsan
6. Charles Siegel
7. Helga Recke

Missing Middle

8. Caephran McKenna (2)

Civic Center

9. Leah Amzel
10. Nicole Herron
11. Kathi Pugh and Josh Maddox
12. Marnie Ganotis

UA Theater

13. Carol Denney
14. Melanie Lawrence and family
15. Laura Linden
16. Arlene Oweichik

Public Restroom Plans

- 17. Dr. Nicola Spence and Hans Reinhardt on behalf of Alpha Design Custom Furniture
- 18. Aimee Baldwin and Meryl Siegal
- 19. Carol Denney
- 20. Carol Crooks
- 21. Dirk

Planning Commission Meetings

- 22. Bernard Marszalek
- 23. Carol Denney

Protecting Berkeley

- 24. Elliot Peters

Fire Concerns

- 25. Jeffrey Heller
- 26. Leah and Rosenthal, Ellen Feingenbaum and Peter Schwab (2)
- 27. Yen Trac (2)
- 28. Anna Rabkin
- 29. Yelda Bartlett (2)
- 30. Jennifer Lombardi (2)
- 31. Samantha Johnston
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- 33. Kris Hill

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Emergency Calls

- 38. Ory Sandel

Tedx Berkeley

- 39. Shreeya Julakanti

Community Conversations

- 40. Nigel

Chess Club

- 41. Jesse Sheehan (2)

Traffic Data

- 42. Margot Smith

Liability for Falling Trees

43. Jim Haydel

OLA at Berkeley Marina

44. Barbara Shayesteh

Speed Tables Treatments

45. Sandra Sanchez

46. Naveen Gattu

Strawberry Creek Park – Bike Parking

47. Mariah Lauritzen

Shattuck Ave Repairs

48. Liz Horowitz

Amtrak Parking

49. Kevin Mei (2)

2nd Street Encampment

50. Yesica Prado and Gordon Gilmore

7th Annual Galo Day Festival

51. Nes Marco Morales

Fireworks

52. Anne Herrick

Letter

53. Eid

Puppies on Center Street

54. Cash Levi Caris

Restaurant Park-lets

55. Martha Stackawicz

BACs STAIRS

56. Ann Marie Davis

Sidewalk Repair

57. Emerald Canary

Encampment Sweeps

58. Russell Bates

- 59. Nancy Halloran
- 60. Ellie Matejka
- 61. Rebecca Salsburg-Frank

Encampment Concern

- 62. Manasi Panditrao

Housing Choice Voucher

- 63. Hector91 Phuentes

Response to Request

- 64. Jack Kurzweil
- 65. Cindy Shamban

Fund Request

- 66. Henry DeNero

URL's

- 67. Russbumper (10)
- 68. Josh Atwood

Forwards

- 69. Russbumper

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**Item #7: Refer to City Manager study of intersections with traffic diverters
From: Councilmember Humbert (Author), Councilmember O'Keefe (Co-Sponsor),
Councilmember Blackaby (Co-Sponsor)**

- 70. Arvil
- 71. Shirley Kirsten (4)
- 72. Riti Dhesi
- 73. Sandra Sanchez
- 74. David Lerman
- 75. Sperberstein
- 76. David Fielder
- 77. Becca Freed
- 78. Erik Fowle
- 79. Charles Siegel on behalf of Walk Bike Berkeley

**Item #8: 2009 Leases Audit Follow-Up: Berkeley Faces the Same Risks 16 Years
Later**

- 80. Supplemental agenda material submitted by Jenny Wong, City Auditor

Item #9: Proposed Amendments to the Building Emissions Saving Ordinance (BESO)

- 81. Kiran Shenoy on behalf of the Bridge Association of Realtors
- 82. Ted Obbard
- 83. Tom Graly

- 84. Sam Fishman
- 85. Michael Roberts
- 86. John F. Arens

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Item #6: Resolution in Support of the Commissioning of a California Feasibility Study to Implement “Golden State Energy,” a Not-for-Profit Public Utility Model

- 87. Revised agenda material submitted by Councilmember Tregub and Councilmember Lunaparra
- 88. Chris Hamilton
- 89. MaryAnn Furda
- 90. Margo Schueler
- 91. Emily Ross

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- 92. Supplemental agenda material submitted by Councilmember Humbert, Councilmember O’Keefe, Councilmember Blackaby, and Councilmember Tregub
- 93. Samantha Swor
- 94. Holly Scheider
- 95. Marjorie Alvord
- 96. Charles Siegel

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- 97. Revised agenda material submitted by Councilmember Kesarwani
- 98. Mara Plotkin
- 99. Simon Black
- 100. Csilla Kenny
- 101. Albert Nahman
- 102. Josh Gutwill
- 103. Candace Hyde-Wang on behalf of the LWVBAE
- 104. Tom Lent
- 105. Ariella Granett
- 106. Bhima Sheridan
- 107. Christopher Polk
- 108. Taree Klausner
- 109. Veronica Tamsitt
- 110. Jeannette MacMillan
- 111. Frances C. Moore
- 112. Jane Scantlebury

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- 113. Ashley McClure
- 114. Noel Forest

Item #9: Proposed Amendments to the Building Emissions Saving Ordinance (BESO)

- 115. Presentation submitted by the Office of Energy & Sustainable Development
- 116. Avi Shapiro
- 117. Bret Andrews
- 118. Alden Mudge
- 119. Alison LaBonte
- 120. Helena K. Liber
- 121. Julie Obbard
- 122. Erin Sherman
- 123. Barry Fike
- 124. Sandra Wolfe
- 125. Ben Gould

Miscellaneous

- 126. Rincon Consultants, Inc.

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, February 25, 2025
4:00 PM**

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

ADENA ISHII, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

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Preliminary Matters

Roll Call: 4:17 p.m.

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

Absent: Kesarwani

Worksession

1. Berkeley Economic Dashboards Update

From: City Manager

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

Action: 4 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held.

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Humbert/O’Keefe) to adjourn the meeting.

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

Adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the City Council special meeting held on February 25, 2025.

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Communications

- None

Supplemental Communications and Reports 1

- None

Supplemental Communications and Reports 2

- None

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Preliminary Matters

Roll Call: 6:02 p.m.

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

Absent: None

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 Chochochenyo (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: None.

City Manager Comments: None.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters: 10 speakers.

Action: M/S/C (Tregub/Humbert) to accept an urgency item from Mayor Ishii pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2) entitled Additional 2025 Council Appointments.

Vote: All Ayes

Consent Calendar

Public Comment on Consent Calendar and Information Items Only: 17 speakers.

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Consent Calendar

Urgent Item: Additional 2025 Council Appointments

From: Mayor Ishii (Author)

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving a change in appointment to the 2x2 Partnership Committee, one change in appointment to the JPA Lead Abatement body, and on additional appointment to the AC Transit/Berkeley Interagency Liaison Committee, for a term ending on January 31, 2026 or until new appointments are made.

Financial Implications: None

Contact: Adena Ishii, Mayor, (510) 981-7100

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,663–N.S.

1. Minutes for Approval

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Approve the minutes for the Council meeting of January 21, 2025 (regular).

Financial Implications: None

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

Action: Approved the minutes as submitted.

2. Grant Application: National Endowment for the Arts Grant (\$150,000)

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or their designee to submit a grant application to the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) to receive up to \$150,000 for a Civic Arts grant program, to accept the grant if awarded; and to execute any resulting grant agreements and any amendments. If received, the funds would support the Arts Programs Grant category and would be regranted to nonprofit organizations for arts and cultural programming within the City of Berkeley in Fiscal Year 2027.

Financial Implications: See report

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

Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,664–N.S.

3. Formal Bid Solicitations and Request for Proposals Scheduled for Possible Issuance After Council Approval on February 25, 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.

Consent Calendar

- 4. Contract: Forster & Kroeger Landscape Maintenance for Chipping Services**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute a contract and any amendments, with Forster & Kroeger Landscape Maintenance to provide Chipping Services for three years from March 1, 2025 until February 29, 2028 with the option to extend for two additional one-year terms in the amount not to exceed \$1,400,000.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: David Sprague, Fire, (510) 981-3473
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,665–N.S.
- 5. Contract No. 32300185 Amendment: JSI Research & Training Institute, Inc. for Community Health Assessment, Innovation, and Improvement Plan Consultant**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32300185 with JSI Research & Training Institute, Inc increasing the contract by \$25,000 to serve as a Community Health Assessment, Innovation, and Improvement Plan consultant for the City of Berkeley's Health, Housing, and Community Services Department (HHCS) in a total amount not to exceed \$274,413 with a contract end date of November 1, 2025.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Scott Gilman, Health, Housing, and Community Services, (510) 981-5400
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,666–N.S.
- 6. Berkeley Police Association – Amendments to Retiree Medical Benefits**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving a side letter between the City of Berkeley and the Berkeley Police Association amending Sections 32.3, 32.5, and 32.6 of the City's Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the union to expand and clarify existing provisions that pertain to retiree health benefits.
Financial Implications: None
Contact: Monica Walker, Human Resources, (510) 981-6800
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,667–N.S.
- 7. ***Item Removed by the City Manager*** Contract No. 32000118 Amendment: Nexgen Asset and Work Order Management Software Maintenance**
From: City Manager
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500

Consent Calendar

- 8. Contract No. 105921-1 Amendment: TruePoint Solutions, LLC for Professional Services**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or his designee to amend Contract No. 105921-1 with TruePoint Solutions, LLC for professional services, increasing the amount by \$180,000, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,477,200 and extending the term by two years for the term beginning June 1, 2015 to June 30, 2027.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Kevin Fong, Information Technology, (510) 981-6500
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,668–N.S.
- 9. Contract: Ashlar Structural LLC for Strawberry Creek Culvert Maintenance Project – Phase 1 (Specification No. 25-11689-C)**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution: 1. Approving plans and specifications for the Strawberry Creek Culvert Maintenance Project – Phase 1; and 2. Accepting the bid of Ashlar Structural LLC (Ashlar Structural) as the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder; and 3. Authorizing the City Manager or his 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 in an amount not to exceed \$4,544,232.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,669–N.S.
- 10. Contract: Mark Lee and Yong Kay, Inc., DBA Bay Construction Co. for Fire Station #2 Improvements Project**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution: 1. Approving plans and specifications for Fire Station #2 Improvements (Project), Specification No. 23-11575-C; and 2. Accepting the bid of Mark Lee and Yong Kay, Inc., DBA Bay Construction Co. as the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder; and 3. Authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments, extensions, or change orders until the Project is completed in accordance with the approved plans and specifications for an amount not to exceed \$1,104,000, which includes a contingency of \$184,000.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,670–N.S.

Consent Calendar

11. **Contract No. 32500082 Amendment: Telegraph Property and Business Management Corporation**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution amending Contract No. 32500082 with the Telegraph Property and Business Management Corporation, commonly known as the Telegraph Business Improvement District, for the janitorial maintenance of the new 24 hour, 7 days a week (24/7), public restroom with a new not to exceed amount of \$150,000 and extend the contract through June 30, 2026.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,671–N.S.

12. **Contract No. 32500098 Amendment: Pacific Site Management: Landscaping Services for Public Works Department**
From: City Manager
Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an amendment to Contract No. 32500098 with Pacific Site Management to increase the spending authority by \$150,000 for a new total not to exceed of \$300,000 and extend the contract through June 30, 2027.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Terrance Davis, Public Works, (510) 981-6300
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,672–N.S.

Council Consent Items

13. **Supporting the Free and Safe Passage of Whales, Sea Turtles, and other Marine Animals in the San Francisco Bay Area's Coastal Waters and the State Of California's Vision Zero Target of Zero Mortality for Whales and Sea Turtles**
From: Councilmember Lunaparra (Author), Councilmember O'Keefe (Co-Sponsor)
Recommendation: Adopt a resolution Supporting the Free and Safe Passage of Whales, Sea Turtles, and other Marine Animals in the San Francisco Bay Area's Coastal Waters and the State Of California's Vision Zero Target of Zero Mortality for Whales and Sea Turtles.
Financial Implications: None
Contact: Cecilia Lunaparra, Councilmember, District 7, (510) 981-7170
Action: Adopted Resolution No. 71,673–N.S.

Action Calendar – Public Hearings

14. Inclusionary Housing Ordinance In-Lieu Fee; Amending Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter 23.328

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion:

1. Adopt a Resolution setting the Inclusionary Housing in-lieu fee at \$56.25 per square foot of the Residential Unit Floor Area (RUFA) of a Housing Development Project; and

-Include a provision in the resolution to allow a project paying the full in-lieu fee instead of providing Affordable Units to deduct 5,000 square feet from the RUFA calculation in order to continue to exempt projects under 5,000 square feet in full and proportionally reduce the fee for projects above 5,000 square feet; and

-Include a provision in the resolution dedicating 80% of very low-income Units for Section 8 and Shelter Plus Care voucher holders; and

-Include a provision in the resolution to adjust the fee biennially by the Construction Cost Index (CCI) starting on July 1, 2025; and

2. Adopt first reading of an Ordinance amending Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) Chapter 23.328 (F) to remove the exemption for projects with 5,000 square feet or less of RUFA.

Financial Implications: See report

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

Public Testimony: The Mayor opened the public hearing. 7 speakers.

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Action: M/S/C (Lunaparra/Kesarwani) to:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 71,674–N.S.

2. Adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 7,954–N.S. Second reading scheduled for March 11, 2025.

3. Refer to staff and the City Attorney's Office an economic and legal analysis of extending the in-lieu fee to 2,500 - 5,000 square foot detached single-unit dwellings per one parcel and return with a recommendation to Council as part of the biennial adjustments report.

4. Conduct an economic feasibility study within three years of Middle Housing zoning amendments and in lieu fees.

Vote: All Ayes.

Recess 8:20 p.m. – 8:35 p.m.

Action Calendar – Public Hearings

15. Zoning Ordinance Amendments to Title 23 of the Berkeley Municipal Code for Consistency with State Law Related to Electric Vehicle Charging and Technical Edits

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion, adopt the first reading of an Ordinance amending the following sections of the Zoning Ordinance to align the Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) with state law related to electric vehicle charging, as well as additional non-substantive edits and corrections:

- 23.106.020 Lot Coverage
- 23.106.080 Building Separation
- 23.202.020 Allowed Land Uses (Residential Districts)
- 23.204.020 Allowed Land Uses (Commercial Districts)
- 23.204.090 C-NS North Shattuck Commercial District
- 23.204.100 C-SA South Area Commercial District
- 23.204.130 C-DMU Downtown Mixed-Use District
- 23.204.140 C-W West Berkeley Commercial District
- 23.204.150 C-AC Adeline Corridor Commercial District
- 23.206.020 Allowed Land Uses and Permit Requirements (Manufacturing Districts)
- 23.206.040 Use-Specific Regulations (Manufacturing Districts)
- 23.206.050 Protected Uses (Manufacturing)
- 23.302.070 Use-Specific Regulations (Supplemental Use Regulations)
- 23.306.010 Purpose (Accessory Dwelling Units)
- 23.306.030 Development Standards (Accessory Dwelling Units)
- 23.306.040 Permit Procedures (Accessory Dwelling Units)
- 23.310.020 General Requirements Excluding Incidental Beer and Wine
- 23.310.030 Alcohol Beverage Standards When Incidental to Food Service
- 23.322.030 Required Parking Spaces
- 23.322.080 Parking Layout and Design
- 23.334.030 Transportation Demand Management Program Requirements
- 23.502.020 Defined Terms (Glossary)

Financial Implications: None

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

Public Testimony: The Mayor opened the public hearing. 0 speakers.

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Action: M/S/C (Tregub/Humbert) to adopt first reading of Ordinance No. 7,955–N.S. Second reading scheduled for March 11, 2025.

Vote: All Ayes.

Information Reports

16. Community Health Assessment Report

From: City Manager

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

Action: Received and filed.

Public Comment – Items Not Listed on the Agenda - 5 speakers.

Adjournment

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

Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

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Communications

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5. Rosemary Hardy
6. Megan Bates
7. Stacey Zolt Hara
8. Julie Elis (3)
9. Nicole Herron
10. Daniel Korson
11. Jeff Vincent
12. Michelle Mascarenhas
13. Jennifer Ito
14. Ken Lim
15. Nirav Bisarya
16. Abby Cook
17. Elise Proulx

Cesar Chavez Park

18. Jennifer Chinlund
19. Alexis

20. Sherry Shannon
21. Catherine Mattison
22. Alexis Frasz
23. Camille Watts-Zagha
24. David Rice
25. Joyce Freedman
26. Lynda Vigil
27. Noah Guyunn
28. Molly Van Der Molen
29. Isabel Choi and Igor Ranitovic
30. Lesley Fernow
31. Whitney K. Taylor
32. Michael Ciarleglio
33. Micky Duxbury
34. Andrea Fernandes
35. Mason Scharf
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Treasury Department

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Draft Bicycle Plan

57. Jim McGrath (2)

58. Charles Siegel
59. Wahid Amiri

Safety Concern

60. Carl Martineau

Berkeley Restaurant Week

61. Jeffrey Church

Flood Zone

62. Inetjalopy

Berkeley Properties

63. Eids TV

Community Mural

64. Angelina Record

Auditor Report

65. Steve Lipson

Middle Class

66. Tillymaui

Request for Targeted Strategic Action

67. Henry DeNero

MLK Safety Concern

68. Matthew Lewis

Chess Club

69. Jesse Sheehan

Round Park Letter

70. Andy Robson and the residents of Parkside Drive (2)

Planning Commission Meetings

71. Carol Denney

California Civilians

72. Director of Security

Letter

73. Eids TV

Cannabis Policies

74. Alisa A. Padon, Aurush J. Soroosh, Lynn Silver, Kiara Gonzalez Garcia, and Ryan Whitacre on behalf of the Getting it Right from the Start

Pedestrian Safety

75. Nadine Simons

Measure FF

76. Lisa Chow on behalf of Berkeleyans for Accessible Rights-of-Way

Zone Zero Fines

77. Isabelle Gaston (2)

UC Berkeley Class

78. Eli and Nava Marmur

Middle East Conflict

79. Nanette Lashuay

80. Suzanna Loper

Escrow Deposit

81. Oren (2)

Council Meeting Concern

82. Ben Buettner

SSBPPE Commission

83. Roberto Terrones on behalf of the Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Product Panel of Experts Commission

Electric Scooters

84. Robert Byler

85. Steven Schuyler

86. Gregory Kalkanis

City Tree Planting

87. Stephen Rosenbaum

Golden Gate Fields Inquiry

88. Roger Hooks

Private Citizen

89. Jeff W. (2)

Ohlone Greenway

90. Clifford Fred

Housing Concern

91. Bingo Fantasy Football (8)

Legal Education

92. Fatima Martos

Survey

93. John Craner

High Fire Area Workshops

94. Molly Brown

Forwards

95. Barbara Gilbert (2)

96. Russbumper (2)

Screenshots

97. Josh Atwood (2)

URL's

98. Russbumper (3)

Public Toilets

99. Heike Helmer

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100. Fatema Crane

101. Carol A. Bagshawe

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102. James M. Lloyd on behalf of the California Housing Defense Fund ("CalHDF")

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- None

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Urgency Item: Additional 2025 Council Appointments

103. Urgency item submitted by Mayor Ishii

Item #13: Supporting the Free and Safe Passage of Whales, Sea Turtles, and other Marine Animals in the San Francisco Bay Area's Coastal Waters and the State Of California's Vision Zero Target of Zero Mortality for Whales and Sea Turtles

- 104. Ben Grundy on behalf of the California Institute of Biodiversity, Center for Biological Diversity, Clean Earth 4 Kids, and the Natural Resources Defense Council
- 105. Fabiola Delgado on behalf of the Center for Biological Diversity supporters

Item #14: Inclusionary Housing Ordinance In-Lieu Fee; Amending Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter 23.328

- 106. Presentation submitted by the Health, Housing, & Community Services Department

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- 107. Presentation submitted by Robert Rivera on behalf of the Planning & Development Department

Miscellaneous

- 108. Steve Tracy

