



Rashi Kesarwani
Councilmember District 1

REVISED AGENDA MATERIAL for Supplemental Packet 1

Meeting Date: July 9, 2019

Item Number: #10

Item Description: City Sponsored Protest of Conditions for Children in Federal Detention Centers

Submitted by: Councilmember Rashi Kesarwani, Vice Mayor Wengraf,
Councilmembers Cheryl Davila and Kate Harrison

Changes to the item: The revised item references the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child as a way to align our City's principles and purpose for rallying over the treatment of children being held in the migrant detention centers. The item has also added both Councilmembers Cheryl Davila and Kate Harrison as co-sponsors.



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CONSENT CALENDAR
July 9th, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
From: Council Member Rashi Kesarwani, ~~and~~ Vice Mayor Susan Wengraf,
Councilmembers Cheryl Davila and Kate Harrison
Subject: City sponsored protest of conditions for children in federal detention centers.

RECOMMENDATION

In accordance with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, rRequest Berkeley City Council support for a rally protest over conditions for children in federal migrant detention centers at our out southern borders. The rally protest will be held on Saturday, July 13th at from noon to 2:00pm in Civic Center Park, in solidarity with the Lights of Liberty national day of action.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Staff time for additional police presence.

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

In alignment with our stated city goals of championing social and racial equity the Berkeley City Council should take a vocal stand against the Trump administration's policies that continue to have devastating physical and emotional effects on the immigrant children separated from their parents who have left their countries in search for better lives for their families.

BACKGROUND

Recent news reports indicate that the conditions for children at federal migration detention centers have only gotten worse. Children are suffering, becoming increasingly ill, and even dying. This is in addition to experiencing mental anguish from being separated from their parents. In the wake of the Trump administration's increased efforts to curtail migration into our country the Berkeley City Council needs to send a clear message that we find the current state of affairs unacceptable. We will not stand by silently while children suffer and immigrants are treated unfairly. The protest is planned for Saturday, July 13th, 2019 at noon in Civic Center Park

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

None.

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