Fair Campaign Practices Commission
Open Government Commission

CONCURRENT REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES COMMISSION AND THE OPEN GOVERNMENT COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA
November 19, 2026
6:30 p.m.

2180 Milvia St., Berkeley, CA 94704
1st Floor, Cypress Room

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Secretary: Sam Harvey

The Commission may act on any item on this agenda

1. Call to Order 6:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

3. Land Acknowledgement: 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 Chochenyo (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.

4. Approval of agenda.

5. Public Comment. *Comments on subjects not on the agenda that are within the Commissions' purview are heard at the beginning of meeting. Speakers may comment on agenda items when the Commission hears those items.*

6. Approval of minutes for October 15, 2026 FCPC-OGC Regular Meeting.

Fair Campaign Practices Commission (FCPC) Agenda

7. Reports
   a. Report from Chair
   b. Report from Staff

8. Complaint alleging violations of the Berkeley Election Reform Act (BERA) by Laura Babitt for City Council 2026; discussion and possible action.

9. Complaint alleging violations of the Berkeley Election Reform Act (BERA) by Gangopadhyay for City Council 2026; discussion and possible action.

10. Review of City of Berkeley elections website, including accessibility of Netfile public portal; discussion and possible action.

11. Notification of campaign report non-filers for (1) Committee for Initiative to Amend the Nuclear Free Berkeley Act; and (2) Andrew for Berkeley Council 2024; discussion and possible action.

12. Proposed amendments to mass mailing filing requirements; discussion and possible action

Open Government Commission (OGC) Agenda

13. Reports.
   a. Report from Chair
   b. Report from Staff

14. Complaint re Public Records Act requests (nos. 26-2240 and 26-1196) (Schuyler); discussion and possible action.

15. Complaint regarding Public Records Act request 26-2144 (Maye-Hobbs), including subsequent correspondence and complaint form submitted by complainant; discussion and possible action.

16. Public access to hybrid meetings, including progress update on North Berkeley Senior Center, policy discussion of topics raised by the public regarding access for persons with temporary or permanent disabilities, handling of written public comment, and the availability of live transcription and recordings; discussion and possible action.

17. Review and revision of Open Government Ordinance related to broadcasting and archiving commission meetings; discussion and possible action.

18. Review and revision of Open Government Ordinance related to Public Records Act request public posting procedures and review of Public Records Act complaint forms; discussion and possible action.

19. Review and revision of Open Government Ordinance related to ephemeral messaging applications; discussion and possible action.

20. City Council policies for removing items from the consent or information calendar; discussion and possible action.

21. Practices for describing public meeting agenda items; discussion and possible action.

22. Annual report regarding Public Records Act requests and other open government topics pursuant to BMC § 2.06.190.C; discussion and possible action.

23. Future meeting scheduling; discussion and possible action.

24. Announcements

25. Adjournment

Information Items

26. Public Financing Candidate Certifications:
    a. Ida Martinac for Berkeley Rent Board 2026
    b. Avery Arbaugh for Berkeley Rent Board 2026
    c. Nathan Mizell for Berkeley Rent Board 2026
    d. Vyima Ortiz for Berkely Rent Board 2026
    e. Derek Rodriguez for Berkeley Rent Board 2026

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