

DISASTER AND FIRE SAFETY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

December 4, 2024

7:00 PM

Fire Department Division of Training Classroom – 997 Cedar Street

Mayor's Appointee- Andy Katz

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AGENDA

Preliminary Matters

Call to Order

Public Present

Approval of the Agenda

*Discussion –
Agenda approved as amended by Acclamation or Vote?*

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters

Public speakers:

1. Chairperson's Report
2. Fire Department Staff Report*

REGULAR AGENDA MATTERS *All Regular agenda Matters are for discussion and possible action.*

3. **Action:** Minutes of October 23, 2024
Recommendation: Approve the draft minutes of the October 23, 2024 regular meeting.
Written Material: DFSC 10/23/24 Regular Meeting Minutes
Presentation:
4. **Discussion:** Briefing on Pedestrian Fatality 11/15/24
Recommendation: Possible Future Action of DFSC
Written Material:
Presentation:

5. **Work Group Reports**

Receive reporting on recent activities by the following work groups:

- Plan& Budget Oversight
- Home Hardening
- Wildland Urban Interface
- Safe Passages
- Community Outreach
- Vision Zero

Written Materials:

Presentation:

6. Future Agenda Items and Next Steps

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Adjournment

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SECRETARY SIGNATURE

*Keith May*      11/25/2024

## DFSC Staff Report

December 4, 2024

### 1. Measure FF Monthly Report

a. Budget Overview –

- b. Quarter 1 (July, August, September) report due in **November**  
Quarter 2 (October, November, December) report due in February  
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i. Program Review

- **WUI Interns** – The Interns provide Berkeley Fire Department with a trained, mobile and mission-specific workforce that is principally assigned to monitor vegetative hazardous fuel on or near structures, collect data, and identify reduction activities
  - **Updates:** No updates
- **Wildfire Prevention / Mitigation – Vegetation Management Inspections** –
  - **Updates:** No updates.
- **Safe Passage** - The Fire Department has contracted with a vendor to help the City of Berkeley meet requirements outlined in SB 99, AB 747, and AB 1409, provide City with professional services in the areas of traffic and evacuation modeling and planning, given various evacuation and/or emergency response scenarios as determined by the City.
  - **Update:** No New Updates.

ii. Implementation & Metrics

- **Outdoor Warning System** – No updates.

### 2. Measure GG Monthly Report

a. Budget Overview – No new update

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### 3. Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP):

a. **Update:** No new update.

4. Fire Facilities Master Plan (FMP): Berkeley Fire Department stations are undersized, in poor condition and in need of remodels or replacement. The Department initiated a long-term replacement planning process to better understand infrastructure needs. This process will provide the City leaders of today and tomorrow with actionable information ahead of future infrastructure bond measures. *(Measure FF has funded the study only)*

a. Update: **No new update**

5. Department Activities

a. **Field Save:** A Community member collapsed while playing soccer and bystander CPR was initiated immediately. Engine 6 arrived on scene and found the patient to be pulseless with slow respirations. CPR was continued via the LUCAS Device. The patient was found to be in V-Fib and after the shock, the patient regained pulses and began to breath. After some significant suctioning the patient began to have purposeful body and eye movement and began to talk with the crew. The patient was found to have a cardiac event and was transported without further incident.

6. Call Volume Report

| Fire Department Report by California Incident Type                                                                          |     |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|--|
| October 2024                                                                                                                |     |  |
| <b>Fires – including Encampment Fires</b> (structures, mobile properties, vegetation, rubbish, equipment, cooking, chimney, | 44  |  |
| <b>Encampment Fires</b> (structures, warming/cooking, debris)                                                               | 44  |  |
| <b>Explosion - no fire</b> (overpressure ruptures, explosions)                                                              | 0   |  |
| <b>Rescue &amp; EMS</b> (medical assist, vehicle accident                                                                   | 955 |  |
| <b>Hazardous Condition - no fire</b> (combustible spills/leaks, chemical release, radioactive condition, electrical wiring  | 49  |  |

|                                                                                                                                   |              |  |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--|
| problem, biological hazard, potential accident w/ building/aircraft/vehicles)                                                     |              |  |
| <b>Service Calls</b> (person in distress, water issue, smoke/odor problem, animal issue, public assist, cover assignment/standby) | 127          |  |
| <b>Good Intent</b> (canceled en-route, wrong location, nothing found, steam mistaken for smoke)                                   | 165          |  |
| <b>False Alarm Calls</b> (malicious, malfunction, unintentional, biohazard scare)                                                 | 209          |  |
| <b>Severe WX</b> (lightening, wind storms)                                                                                        | 0            |  |
| <b>Special Incidents</b> (citizen complaints)                                                                                     | 1            |  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                                                                                                      | <b>1,547</b> |  |
| <b>Apparatus Count</b>                                                                                                            |              |  |
|                                                                                                                                   | <b>4,903</b> |  |

### DFSC Action Tracker

| Date of DFSC Action | Description | Status |
|---------------------|-------------|--------|
|---------------------|-------------|--------|

Public

# WILDLAND DIVISION DASHBOARD

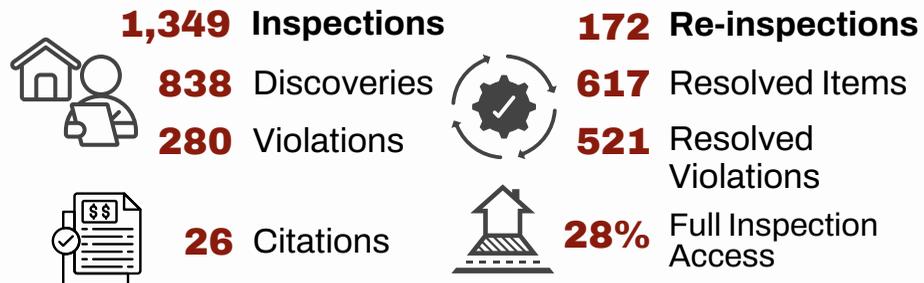
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## OCTOBER 2024



### Active Programs

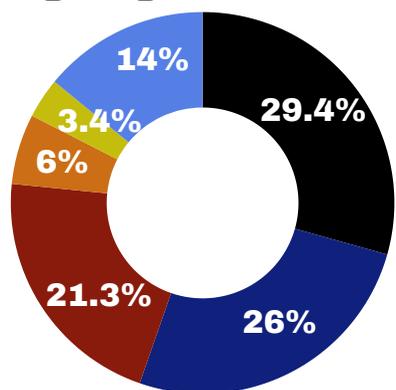
#### Defensible Space Inspections - October



#### Eucalyptus Understory Program - October



#### Chipping Program- October



Types of Vegetation Removed by Residents in October

### Grant Updates

#### County Coordinator:

Awarded \$200,000 in April to fund the position.

- Status:** Recruited an interim CC until December 31



#### Wildfire Mitigation (Cal FIRE):

Awarded \$1 million to fund the Resident Assistance Program

- Status:** Contract is processing

#### Grizzly Peak Clean-up

Awarded \$448,000 in February

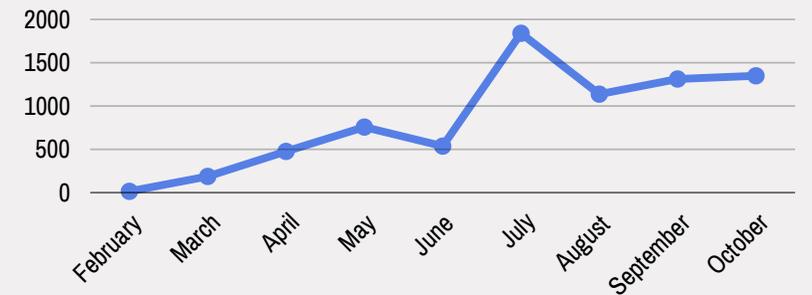


- Collaboration with East Bay Municipal Utilities District (EBMUD), UC Berkeley, Berkeley Fire Department, and East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD)
- **Status:** Pre-planning is completed, and work will begin following the evacuation plan in November.
- WUI Division is working with Planning and Transportation to plan Marin Ave updates and vegetation removal

### Year To Date 2024



#### Inspections Access Over Time



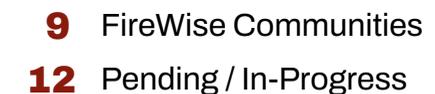
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#### Chipping Program- Year to Date



#### FireWise Application Status



**FY2025 Measure GG**  
**Quarter 1 Report**

| Program                   | Original Budget     | Actuals             |                   | Q1 Total            | % Budget Available | Available Budget    |
|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|                           |                     | Q1 July-Sept. 2023  | Q2 Oct.-Dec. 2023 |                     |                    |                     |
| Disaster Prep             | \$ 1,105,797        | \$ 212,116          | \$ -              | \$ 212,116          | 81%                | \$ 893,681          |
| FRALS                     | \$ 407,159          | \$ 19,459           | \$ -              | \$ 19,459           | 95%                | \$ 387,700          |
| Minimum Staffing          | \$ 3,072,342        | \$ 1,195,712        | \$ -              | \$ 1,195,712        | 61%                | \$ 1,876,630        |
| Radio Interoperability    | \$ 667,327          | \$ 258,046          | \$ -              | \$ 258,046          | 61%                | \$ 409,281          |
| Training                  | \$ 339,165          | \$ 78,611           | \$ -              | \$ 78,611           | 77%                | \$ 260,554          |
| Community Outreach - HHCS | \$ 308,799          | \$ 45,884           | \$ -              | \$ 45,884           | 85%                | \$ 262,915          |
| <b>Totals</b>             | <b>\$ 5,900,588</b> | <b>\$ 1,809,828</b> | <b>\$ -</b>       | <b>\$ 1,809,828</b> | <b>69%</b>         | <b>\$ 4,090,761</b> |

# FY25 Year-To-Date Quarter 1 Measure FF

July to June 2025

| PROGRAM/VENDOR               | AMOUNT         | FY25 BUDGET      | % USED        | NOTES                                   |
|------------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>Administration</b>        | <b>248,411</b> | <b>1,122,545</b> | <b>22.13%</b> |                                         |
| BERKELEY OFFICE INTERIORS    | 666            |                  |               | Office Furniture                        |
| COOKE AND ASSOCIATES         | 43,947         |                  |               | Background Checks                       |
| INTTERRA LLC                 | 52,606         |                  |               | Situational Awareness Software          |
| SALARIES & BENEFITS          | 151,192        |                  |               | Salary & Benefits                       |
| <b>Dispatch</b>              | <b>52,350</b>  | <b>341,647</b>   | <b>15.32%</b> |                                         |
| SALARIES & BENEFITS          | 52,350         |                  |               | Salary & Benefits                       |
| <b>EMS</b>                   | <b>664,169</b> | <b>3,461,828</b> | <b>19.19%</b> |                                         |
| ALLSTAR FIRE EQUIPMENT       | 5,632          |                  |               | Equipment                               |
| BOUND TREE MEDICAL           | 4,382          |                  |               | Medical Supplies                        |
| DELL MARKETING LLC           | 15,317         |                  |               | Equipment                               |
| SVC - VEHICLE REPLACEMENTS   | 32,832         |                  |               | Vehicle Replacement Fund                |
| INT SVC - VEHICLE FUEL/MAINT | 5,468          |                  |               | Vehicle Fuel and Maintenance            |
| LEHR AUTO ELECTRIC           | 51,885         |                  |               | Vehicle Upfitting                       |
| ORKIN EXTERMINATING          | 2,425          |                  |               | Exterminator                            |
| PYRAMID FILMS CORP           | 57             |                  |               | CPR Cards and Training Courses          |
| SALARIES & BENEFITS          | 485,986        |                  |               | Salary & Benefits                       |
| STRYKER SALES CORP           | 39,956         |                  |               | Equipment                               |
| WELLS FARGO BANK N.A.        | 432            |                  |               | Equipment                               |
| WMI SPORT Ltd                | 469            |                  |               | Patch Panel                             |
| WELLS FARGO BANK N.A.        | 19,328         |                  |               | EKG monitors for new ambulances         |
| <b>Operations</b>            | <b>123,912</b> | <b>1,244,862</b> | <b>9.95%</b>  |                                         |
| BLAISDELL                    | 367            |                  |               | Misc. Office Supplies                   |
| ELS ARCHITECTURE             | 4,000          |                  |               | New fire headquarters design/management |
| FIRE GRANTS EXPERTS          | 5,500          |                  |               | Safer Grant Application work            |
| SALARIES & BENEFITS          | 28,947         |                  |               | Salaries and Benefits                   |
| SIEGEL & STRAIN ARCHITECTS   | 24,126         |                  |               | Fire Facilities Master Planning Process |
| SWIFTHAWK CONSULTING         | 46,647         |                  |               | Project Management                      |
| VERDE ENVIRONMENTAL          | 14,325         |                  |               | Fire Extinguishing agent                |
| <b>Paramedics Tax</b>        | <b>0</b>       | <b>737,718</b>   |               |                                         |
|                              | <b>0</b>       |                  |               | No expenses yet                         |
| <b>Training</b>              | <b>44,137</b>  | <b>100,000</b>   | <b>44.14%</b> |                                         |
| B&H PHOTO                    | 5,483          |                  |               | Misc. Office Supplies                   |
| DEPT. OF FORESTRY & FIRE P.  | 4,480          |                  |               | Reaccreditation Training                |
| INTREPID LEADERSHIP GROUP    | 6,300          |                  |               | Professional development                |
| MALLORY SAFETY SUPPLY        | 3,619          |                  |               | SBCA Supplies                           |
| 2X HUMAN PERFORMANCE, LLC    | 9,546          |                  |               | Employee Health and Wellness            |
| SALARIES & BENEFITS          | 14,665         |                  |               | Salaries and Benefits                   |
| WELLS FARGO BANK N.A.        | 44             |                  |               | Equipment                               |

| <b>PROGRAM/VENDOR</b>       | <b>AMOUNT</b>    | <b>FY25<br/>BUDGET</b> | <b>% USED</b> | <b>NOTES</b>                             |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------|
| <b>WUI/FP</b>               | <b>552,975</b>   | <b>3,227,313</b>       | <b>17.13%</b> |                                          |
| BRENDAN DEVLIN              | 5,320            |                        |               | Chipper Day Program Mgmt                 |
| CRI-SF                      | 101              |                        |               | Misc. Office Supplies                    |
| DATA TICKETS                | 2                |                        |               | Citation Management<br>Platform/Software |
| DEPT. OF FORESTRY & FIRE P. | 900              |                        |               | Professional development                 |
| FIREASIDE, INC              | 23,305           |                        |               | Defensible Space Inspection<br>Software  |
| BRAINGER INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY  | 56               |                        |               | Supplies                                 |
| INT SVC - CITY PKG PERMITS  | 1,461            |                        |               | Employee parking permits                 |
| LEHR AUTO ELECTRIC          | 51,012           |                        |               | Equipment                                |
| NICHOLAS K CORPORATION      | 14,975           |                        |               | Vehicle                                  |
| CO LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT     | 44,429           |                        |               | Hazardous Vegetation Treatment           |
| RRM DESIGN GROUP            | 461              |                        |               | Landscape plan design revision           |
| SALARIES & BENEFITS         | 400,314          |                        |               | Salary & Benefits                        |
| TRANSFER STATION CHIPPER    | 9,192            |                        |               | Chipper Day Program                      |
| VERIZON WIRELESS (AIRTIME)  | 757              |                        |               | Phone Service                            |
| WELLS FARGO BANK N.A.       | 690              |                        |               | Equipment                                |
| <b>Grand Total</b>          | <b>1,685,954</b> | <b>10,235,913</b>      | <b>16.47%</b> |                                          |

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## AGENDA

### Preliminary Matters

#### Call to Order

Time: 7:20 pm  
Present: Katz, Bradstreet, Murphy, Gordon, Dean(virtual)  
Absent: Kinosian, Darling, Wilson  
LOA:

**Public Present = 2**

#### Approval of the Agenda

*Discussion –  
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*Public speakers: 1*

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- 3. Action:** Approve Minutes of September 25, 2024  
**Recommendation:** Approve the draft minutes of the September 25, 2024 regular meeting.  
**Written Material:** September 25, 2024 Draft Minutes  
**Presentation:**  
Motion to approve: Murphy  
Second: Bradstreet  
Vote: Ayes; Katz, Bradstreet, Murphy, Gordon, Dean(virtual)  
Nays;  
Abstain;

- 4. Discussion/Action:** Create 2025 DFSC Meeting Calendar  
**Recommendation:** Confirm 2025 DFSC Meeting Dates  
**Written Material:** COB Religious Holiday Schedule  
**Presentation:**  
Motion to approve: Murphy  
Second: Bradstreet  
Vote: Ayes: Katz, Bradstreet, Murphy, Gordon, Dean(virtual)  
Nays: Abstain:

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Motion to Adjourn: Bradstreet

Second: Murphy

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