



Peace and Justice
Commission

PEACE & JUSTICE COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA
Monday, May 13, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.
Berkeley City Hall,
2180 Milvia, Cypress Room Berkeley, CA

SECTION A. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Roll Call
2. Announcements
3. Comments from the Public (*subject to time limits applicable to all speakers as necessary*)
4. Review and approval of meeting minutes - see attachment 2
5. Commission Updates & Chairperson's Report
6. Secretary's Report (including status of passed items from previous meetings)
7. African American Holistic Resource Center Presentation

SECTION B. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

8. Subcommittee on The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Commissioner Maran) discussion and potential appointments
9. Subcommittee on Socially Responsible Investments and Procurement (Commissioner Bohn) discussion and potential appointments
10. BUSD subcommittee discussion and potential appointments

SECTION C. ACTION ITEMS

SECTION D. COMMUNICATIONS

11. May 15th Celebration of 13th Annual Berkeley CO and War Resisters' Day / International Conscientious Objectors' Day (Commissioner Meola)

SECTION E. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

SECTION F. ADJOURNMENT

Attachments:

1. Roster, enabling legislation, work plan, and commission status of items
2. Minutes of April 8, 2019 meeting
3. War Resistor's Day/Conscientious Objectors' Day

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Peace and Justice Commission Roster		
Name	Appointer	District
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Zo Pancoast	Alper	BUSD
Zaira Rodriguez	Student Director	BUSD
Rachel Pierce	Julie Sinai	BUSD
VACANT		BUSD
Grace Morizawa	Appel	BUSD
Igor Tregub (Chair)	Arreguin	Mayor
Rita Maran	Maio	1
Dr. Hatem al-Bazian	Davila	2
J. George Lippman (Vice Chair)	Bartlett	3
Diana Bohn	Harrison	4
Judith Gussmann	Hahn	5
Robert L Meola	Wengraf	6
Denny Han	Worthington	7
Angie Chen	Droste	8

Chapter 3.68 PEACE AND JUSTICE COMMISSION

Sections:

- [3.68.010](#) Findings.
- [3.68.020](#) Established--Membership--Appointment.
- [3.68.030](#) "Peace and justice" defined.
- [3.68.040](#) Automatic termination of appointment.
- [3.68.050](#) Liaison representative to other City entities.
- [3.68.060](#) Organization, meetings, rules, and procedures.
- [3.68.070](#) Functions.

3.68.010 Findings.

The council finds as follows:

- A. The intentional destruction of cities in war is the rule and not the exception.
- B. State, national and international governmental bodies have failed to control war and in fact, have in many cases, been responsible for war and the conditions of war.
- C. The wealth that could be spent to help the poor, heal the sick, house the homeless, educate the children, and care for the elderly is now spent on ever more costly weapons of mass destruction.
- D. Peace is not a fictitious tranquil end-state, but the process of solving differences constructively, creatively, and non-violently.
- E. Peace is inseparable from justice.
- F. The present threat of nuclear or biological holocaust is not peace, but a condition of war against all humanity.
- G. Initiatives are needed to reverse the drift toward war and to remove the causes of war.
- H. Our best protection lies in initiating, devising, and promulgating peaceful and just policy alternatives.
- I. Individual citizens, unless organized, are virtually powerless in confronting and influencing larger governmental bodies.

J. It is the responsibility of one and all to labor hard for peace and justice within forums of appropriate scale.

K. The residents of Berkeley have continually demonstrated their concern for peace and justice based on equality among all peoples.

L. The residents of Berkeley have welcomed to our City those who have been forced into exile, and who have come fleeing torture and death.

M. The Berkeley City Council, to act successfully in furthering peace and justice, must have wise counsel, accurate research, vigorous analysis, articulate formulation of issues and proposals for action, and thus the establishment of a Peace and Justice Commission is proper. (Ord. 5705 § 1, 1986)

3.68.020 Established--Membership--Appointment.

A Peace and Justice Commission is hereby established. The commission shall consist of fifteen members. Six members shall be appointed by the Berkeley Unified School District Board and nine members shall be appointed by the Berkeley City Council. Commission members shall have a demonstrated interest in the area of peace and social justice. It is suggested that the commission should have some representation of political refugees and political exiles who are residents of Berkeley and otherwise eligible to serve on the commission. Berkeley City Council appointments to the commission shall be made, and vacancies shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of Sections [2.04.030](#) through [2.04.130](#) of the Berkeley Municipal Code enacted as Ordinance No. 4780-N.S. by the voters of the City. (Ord. 5705-NS § 2, 1986)

3.68.030 "Peace and justice" defined.

For the purpose of this chapter, "peace and social justice" shall refer to the goal of creating a world community in which the relations between people are based on equality, respect for human rights, and the abhorrence of exploitation and all forms of oppression. (Ord. 5705-NS § 3, 1986)

3.68.040 Automatic termination of appointment.

A. The appointment of any member of the commission who has been absent from three consecutive meetings shall automatically terminate as set forth in Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter 3.02 unless: (i) the absence of the commissioner is due to incarceration for acts of conscience or is due to absence from the City for work related to that of the commission, (ii) in the case of absences for reasons stated in item (i) it is strongly urged that in accordance with Section [3.02.030](#) of the Berkeley Municipal Code the appointing councilmember grant a leave of absence for not more than three months, and fill the vacancy with a temporary appointment to the commission.

B. The chairperson of the commission shall report the attendance records of each member of the commission to the City Clerk monthly for each regularly scheduled meeting.

C. Any member absent as noted in items A (i) and A (ii) above shall be recorded as "excused". Any member absent without being recorded as excused from three consecutive regular meetings as reported monthly shall be terminated automatically after the third missed meeting.

D. The City Clerk shall notify any member whose appointment has automatically terminated and report to the appointing City Councilmember or School Board that a vacancy exists on the commission and that an appointment should be made for the unexpired term. (Ord. 5705-NS § 4, 1986)

3.68.050 Liaison representative to other City entities.

The commission may designate one or more of its members to act as a liaison representative to any other board, commission, or committee of the City. The functions of the liaison representative may include:

A. Attendance at meetings of such other boards, commissions or committees;

B. Advising the Peace and Justice Commission on the background behind those recommendations to the City Council of other boards, commissions or committees; and,

C. On request of any member of such other board, commission or committee giving advice to such other board, commission or committee of policies, and procedures and recommendations to the City Council of the Peace and Justice Commission that may bear upon matters under discussion by such other board, commission or committee. (Ord. 5705-NS § 5, 1986)

3.68.060 Organization, meetings, rules, and procedures.

A. The commission shall organize by electing from its members one chairperson and one vice-chairperson and such other officers as may be necessary, who shall hold office for one year and until their successors are elected unless their terms as members of the commission expire sooner. An officer or employee of the City designated by the City Manager shall serve as secretary to the commission.

B. The commission shall establish a regular place and time for meeting. All meetings shall be noticed as required by law and shall be scheduled in a way to allow for maximum input from the public. The frequency of meetings shall be as determined by City Council resolution. The scheduling of special meetings in addition to those established by City Council resolution, except special meetings that take the place of cancelled regular meetings, shall be subject to approval by the City Council. A request for a special meeting shall include the

reason for the proposed meeting and should be expedited on the City Council' s agenda, or in the alternative, placed before the Agenda Committee for approval.

C. The commission shall establish internal working rules and procedures which do not violate those rules of governance existing in the City Charter, the Commissioner's Handbook, or established through the authority of the City Council. (Ord. 6899-NS § 1, 2006: Ord. 5705-NS § 6, 1986)

3.68.070 Functions.

The commission shall perform the following functions:

A. Advise the Berkeley City Council and the Berkeley Unified School Board on all matters relating to the City of Berkeley's role in issues of peace and social justice, including, but not limited to the issues of ending the arms race, abolishing nuclear weapons, support for human rights and self-determination throughout the world, and the reallocation of our national resources so that money now spent on war and preparation of war is spent on fulfilling human needs and the promotion of peace.

B. Help create citizen awareness around issues of social justice and develop educational programs for implementation by the City Council and the School Board.

C. Help develop proposals for the City Council and the School Board for actions in furtherance of the goals of peace and justice, and help publicize such actions in the community.

D. Hold public hearings and community forums on issues that fall within the charge of the commission, and call on appropriate witnesses to provide pertinent information.

E. Initiate and encourage research programs to collect and assess information relevant to the functions of the commission including the effect of the arms race and military spending on funding for City and school programs and on the quality of life for citizens of Berkeley.

F. Develop ways to resolve conflict which do not involve violence and which may be applied on a local level as well as a national level.

G. Initiate and develop cultural and educational foreign exchange.

H. Act as a liaison between community groups organizing around issues of peace and social justice and City government.

I. Prepare inventories of City resources, both public and private that are available for furthering the work of promoting international peace and social justice.

J. Provide information to other municipalities and school districts on the work of the commission, and exchange information on actions taken by cities and the School Board in furtherance of the goals of the commission.

K. Assist the Director of Finance in the annual evaluation of financial institutions for qualification of City investments; complete development and assist in the implementation of a linked deposit program; encourage target investments; coordinate with City agencies, appropriate community organizations, public and private investors, and the Governor's Public Investment Task Force; and advise the City Council on matters relating to the responsible investment of public funds in accordance with the responsible investment policy established by Resolution No. 55,141A-NS.

L. Perform such other functions and duties as may be directed by the City Council or prescribed or authorized by any ordinance of the City, and such other functions and duties not prohibited by City Council which the commission should decide are consistent with its overall function of promoting peace and social justice.

M. In prescribing the above duties and functions of the commission, it is not the intent of the council to duplicate or overlap the functions, duties, or responsibilities heretofore or hereafter assigned to any other City board or commission or to a City department. As to such functions or responsibilities above set forth which are partially or wholly the responsibilities of another board or commission or of a department of the City, the commission will render such assistance and advice to such board, commission or department as may be requested. (Ord. 6017-NS § 1, 1990: Ord. 5705-NS § 7, 1986)

Peace and Justice Commission
2018-2019 Annual Work Plan

Mission Statement:

The Peace and Justice Commission advises the Berkeley City Council and the Berkeley Unified School District Board on all matters relating to the City of Berkeley's role in issues of peace and social justice. (BMC Section 3.68.070.A.) Under its mandate, the Commission also helps create citizen awareness around issues of social justice, holds public hearings and community forums, initiates and encourage research programs, develops ways to resolve conflict which do not involve violence, acts as a liaison between community groups organizing around issues of peace and social justice and City government, and assists the Director of Finance in the evaluation of financial institutions for socially responsible investing.

I. Resolutions and communications to Council and the Board of Education.

Address homelessness, racial and gender justice, policing policy (including external BPD relationships such as NCRIC and UASI), protection of Ohlone sacred sites, civil liberties, international peace with justice, and other social issues as they arise throughout the year with proposals and communications as appropriate.

II. Other existing responsibilities and subcommittees.

- a. Continue the established responsibility for Nuclear Free Berkeley Act oversight and waiver process, as proposals are submitted to the Commission by City staff. Continue to collaborate with the international movement against nuclear weapons.
- b. Subcommittee on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).

The Subcommittee held a successful forum on the CRPD in 2018, and plans to hold a follow-up forum in 2019.

- c. Socially Responsible Investing and Procurement Subcommittee (SRIP).
 - i. Improve and institutionalize the City's commitment to Socially Responsible investing, banking, and procurement.¹

¹ BMC Section 3.68.070.K: "The [Peace and Justice] Commission shall perform the following functions...K. Assist the Director of Finance in the annual evaluation of financial institutions for qualification of City investments...and advise the City Council on matters relating to the responsible

Develop a resolution to propose a mechanism to fulfill the Commission's mandated advisory role.

- ii. Work with the Mayor's Task Force on Banking to strengthen and make effective the SRIP program, especially with regard to Procurement
- iii. Work with the BUSD School Board Policy Committee to establish an effective Sweatfree Berkeley Schools Policy.

III. Proposed expansions of responsibility.

The Commission has proposed two areas in which it could assist the Council in support of its Sanctuary City/City of Refuge declaration. As Berkeley has no Immigrant Rights Commission, Peace and Justice functions in that capacity on a de facto basis.

- a. Regional Sanctuary Community Working Group. The Commission offered to take on coordination with other Sanctuary communities (cities and counties) in a resolution passed July 9, 2018. Mayor Arreguin asked the Commission to do this work through the Mayor's Sanctuary City Task Force.
- b. Sanctuary City Contracting Ordinance — Ban ICE data brokers from city contracting. The Commission reviewed the ordinance referred to it by Council, and responded with suggested language giving the Commission a role in vetting contracts, patterned after its role in the Nuclear Free Berkeley Act. The Commission's letter appeared in a subsequent Council agenda packet as a communication and is pending Council action.

- IV. Cooperate with the school board and the BUSD community on social issues of mutual interest affecting students and youth, with special consideration to the problem of the educational opportunity gap and sexual harassment in the schools, in the context of Title IX. Success of this initiative depends on School Board members fully appointing membership of the Peace and Justice Commission (to its statutory number of six BUSD-appointed commissioners from the present two).

investment of public funds in accordance with the responsible investment policy established by Resolution No. 55,141A-NS.”)

The Commission will support the development of the African American Holistic Resource Center.

Background:

CRPD

The Peace & Justice Commission established the Subcommittee on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (the Subcommittee) in 2014, in order to institutionalize the City of Berkeley's long-standing focus on promoting and protecting the legal rights of persons with disabilities. The City has held a leading position in the field of disability rights for many years, and is well-known nationally and internationally as an unusually fruitful breeding ground for grassroots non-profit organizations working in that field.

Together with representatives from four other City of Berkeley Commissions: the Commission on the Status of Women, the Commission on Disability, the Commission on Mental Health, and the Commission on Aging, the Subcommittee published its Mission Statement; requested the Peace & Justice Commission to ask the City Council to write to the U.S. Senate urging ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (duly done in 2015); and held a public Forum at the Ed Roberts Campus in May 2018.

The Subcommittee is working on plans to hold another public Forum in 2019.

The Honorable Jesse Arreguin, Mayor of the City of Berkeley, welcomed the Forum participants at this successful Subcommittee initiative that extended knowledge and applicability of the international treaty in Berkeley.

Nuclear-Free Berkeley

The Nuclear Free Berkeley Act came into force in 1986 (Chapter 12.90.070 Section 030D). The Peace & Justice Commission established the Subcommittee on The Nuclear Free Berkeley Act (NFBA) to oversee and reinforce compliance with the terms of the Act. The Subcommittee's activities have included:

- recommendation against a waiver for continuation of the Berkeley Public Library's contracts with 3M (2009-2010);
- consideration of a waiver for the City of Berkeley Public Health Division's proposal on medical supplies (2012);
- recommendation of a waiver for the SkyDeck Business Incubator-Accelerator Contract (2012);
- recommendation (February 7, 2013) to the Regents of the University of California that it phase out responsibility for operating the Nuclear Weapons Laboratories in Livermore and Los Alamos;

- a letter from the City of Berkeley to President Obama in 2014 urging support of a ban on nuclear weapons.

More recently, in light of the Award of the Nobel Peace Prize in 2017 to the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN), whose goal is international adherence to and full implementation of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (the Treaty), the Peace and Justice Commission will seek to collaborate further with ICAN on activities of mutual concern. We would note that the California State Senate and the California State Assembly voted affirmatively on a bill in September 2018 to urge U.S. Senate adoption of the Treaty. Strong support comes also from the International Red Cross Red Crescent Movement; NuclearBan.US, The City of Los Angeles, California; the City of Takoma Park, Maryland; Physicians for Social Responsibility; and the U.S. Conference of Mayors, among others.

Indigenous Peoples:

Between December 2015 and January 2016, the Berkeley City Council, upon the recommendation of the Peace and Justice Commission, adopted five important resolutions supporting the treaty rights of indigenous people in Berkeley. The resolutions included: recognition of the Ohlone people as the original inhabitants of Berkeley and the Bay Area, pledging to work in good faith with Ohlone representatives; implementing the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as municipal policy; endorsing the upgrading of the Declaration to a Convention; honoring the Berkeley Shellmound indigenous site; and urging the East Bay Regional Parks District to protect the Ohlone place of origin sacred site.

The resolution on the Berkeley Shellmound mandated that “free, prior, and informed consent of the Ohlone and other indigenous peoples of the region should be integral to any alteration planning for the Berkeley Shellmound site, in accordance with the provisions of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.”

In 2018-2019 the Peace and Justice Commission will support the implementation of these resolutions with particular attention to proposed development of the Berkeley Shellmound site.

Sweatshop-Free Berkeley:

The Sweatshop-free Berkeley Policy now has a zero dollar threshold per supplier per year for textile products purchased by the City. This threshold is an improvement over the previous minimum of \$1,000 purchase per supplier for the Policy to apply. However, the policy is complaint-driven, so the burden is on community members to research the supply chain for each supplier. The SRIP Subcommittee proposes to establish a mechanism for suppliers to show that they are using Sweatshop Free products for City purchases.

The Policy governs textile purchases only. The goal is to identify sweat-free alternatives for technology purchases so tech can be covered as well.

The BUSD, through the School Board Policy Committee, is in the process of establishing a Sweatfree Schools Policy for athletic supplies. The SRIP Subcommittee and the Commission are supporting the BUSD to ensure the development of an effective policy.

	Item Name	Date Passed by Commission	Council Meeting Date	Action Taken by Council/Staff	Final Status
1	Resolution declaring Berkeley's opposition to fascism	9/11/2017	12/19/2017	Resolution adopted #68,268 - N.S.	Completed
2	Letter to Council resisting white supremacy and fascism	9/11/2017	9/12/2017	Letter received by Council	Completed
3	Resolution in opposition to the US military helipad construction and training operations in Takae, Okinawa	10/17/2017	12/19/2017	Resolution adopted #68,269 N.S.	Completed
4	2017-18 PJC Work Plan adopted	10/17/2017	4/24/2018	Info item to council received	Completed
5	Approval for COSOW to present joint council report and resolution Freedom from Domestic Violence is a Human Right	11/6/2017	1/23/2018	Resolution adopted #68,301 N.S.	Completed
6	Resolution allowing PJC to endorse and sponsor the film "The Boys Who Said NO!"	11/6/2017	12/19/2017	Resolution adopted #68,267 N.S.	Completed
7	Resolution calling on the federal government to extend Temporary Protected Status	11/6/2017	1/23/2018	Resolution adopted #68,302 N.S.	Completed
8	Resolution allowing establishment of a sister city relationship with Gonju, Republic of Korea	1/8/2018	2/27/2018	Resolution adopted #68,340 N.S.	Completed
9	Resolution on Emergency Outdoor Shelters for the homeless	2/5/2018	5/1/2018	Companion report recommended alternate action. Council voted to refer to the City Manager to develop health and safety standards as called for under AB 932 for alternative housing models.	Completed
10	Resolution declaring itself strongly supportive of the UN Treaty on the prohibition of nuclear weapons	4/2/2018	5/15/2018	Resolution adopted #68,447 N.S.	Completed

	Item Name	Date Passed by Commission	Council Meeting Date	Action Taken by Council/Staff	Final Status
11	Letter to Council proposing "Sanctuary City Contracting Ordinance"	6/4/2018	Second reading 05/14/19	Passed on first reading. P&J role deleted from ordinance. Second reading is pending.	
12	Letter to Council supporting Berkeley Community United for Police Oversight proposed charter amendment for a new police commission	6/4/2018	6/12/2018	Letter received by Council	Completed
13	Resolution Bay Area Working Group on Immigration-Resistance Sanctuary Communities	7/9/2018	7/24/2018	Resolution adopted #68,575 N.S.	Completed
14	2018-19 PJC Work Plan adopted	9/17/2018	10/30/2018	Info item to council received	Completed
15	Resolution to establish policy against City of Berkeley investment in weapons and weapons systems	9/17/2018	2/19/2019	Commission made revisions to this item at the 1-7-19 meeting. Companion report drafted by staff. Both items heard by council on 2-19-19.	Completed. Approved by Council with Amendments
16	Letter to Council regarding Comprehensive Investment Policy based on ESG Principles.	11/19/2018	11/27/2018	Letter received by Council	Completed
17	Resolution on Socially Responsible Investment and Procurement (SRIP)	11/19/2018	City Manager was granted a 60-day extension as of 4/29 to prepare companion report.	Report submitted by the commission. Companion report is being drafted by staff. Staff will provide the commission an oppty to view concerns/questions prior to item being seen by Council	
18	Letter to Mayor and Council: Reiterate Commission Mandate to Advise on Human Rights Worldwide	1/4/2019	2/19/2019	None	Completed. Letter appeared in 2/19 Council packet

	Item Name	Date Passed by Commission	Council Meeting Date	Action Taken by Council/Staff	Final Status
19	Letter to Mayor and Council re: appreciation from Okinawans resisting U.S./Japanese militarization of their island	3/4/2019	43557	Letter received by council	completed letter appeared in 04/02/19 council packet
20	Recommendation to Mayor and Council: Bring justice to Mr. Leonard Powell and provide housing stability for homeowners and tenants	3/4/2019	Checking with Clerk's Office	Staff will check with Clerk's Office for status	waiting
21	Endorsed vice-chair's comment to BFD re: citywide disaster preparedness efforts using a social justice lens	3/4/2019	N/A	BFD received comments and letter from PJC	
22	Resolution on No U.S. Intervention in Venezuela	3/4/2019	5/14/2019	Staff takes no position. Council deferred action to future meeting.	
23	Resolution 50 year Commemoration of Peoples Park	4/8/2019	05/14/2019 Proclamation	Proclamation added 05/14/19	
24	Send Letter to council about Sanctuary Contracting Ordinance	4/8/2019	Sent to council on 04/20/19	N/A	
25	Resolution opposing US withdrawal from the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces	4/8/2019	Sent to council on 05/08/19	Staff takes no position	



**Peace and Justice Commission Meeting
Regular Meeting – Monday, April 8, 2019
City of Berkeley City Hall, 2180 Milvia, Berkeley CA, Cypress Room**

DRAFT MINUTES

The meeting convened at 7:06 pm with Chair Lippman presiding.

1. Roll Call

Present: Askary, al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussman, Han, Lippman, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce

Absent: Chen

Excused: Rodriguez, Tregub

2. Announcements

3. Comments from the Public

Public Attendance: 4

Public Comments: People's Park Commemoration

Action Items

4. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes

The Peace and Justice Commission approved minutes for February 4, 2019 meeting.

M/S/C: Pierce, Morizawa

Ayes: al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussman, Han, Lippman, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pierce, Pancoast

Noes: None

Abstain: Askary

Absent: Chen

Excused: Rodriguez, Tregub

The Peace and Justice Commission approved minutes March 4, 2019 meeting.

M/S/C: Askary, Han

Ayes: al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussman, Lippman, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pierce

Noes: None

Abstain: Askary, Han, Pancoast

Absent: Chen

Excused: Rodriguez, Tregub

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5. Commission Updates and Chairperson’s Report (No Action Taken)

6. Secretary’s Report (No Action Taken)

7. Subcommittee on The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Commissioner Maran)

The Peace and Justice Commission appointed Hatem al-Bazian and Judith Gussman to CRPD

M/S/C: Lippman, Pancoast

Ayes: Askary, al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussman, Han, Lippman, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Excused: Rodriguez, Tregub

8. Subcommittee on Socially Responsible Investments and Procurement (Commissioner Bohn)

9. Discussion of Covering a BUSD subcommittee and potential appointments

10. Discussion and possible action to pass resolution or send a letter to Council re: 50 Year Commemoration of People’s Park (Commsioner Tregub and Han)

The Peace and Justice Commission passed a resolution as amended regarding 50 Year Commemoration.

M/S/C: Han, Meola

Ayes: Askary, al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussman, Han, Lippman, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Chen

Excused: Rodriguez, Tregub

11. Send letter to Council about Sanctuary Contracting Ordinance (Commissioner Lippman)

The Peace and Justice Commission will send a letter to council about Sanctuary Contracting Ordinance

M/S/C: Lippman, Meola

Ayes: Askary, al-Bazian, Bohn, Han, Lippman, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pancoast, Pierce

Noes: None

Abstain: Gussman

Absent: Chen

Excused: Rodriguez, Tregub

12. Resolution opposing US withdrawal from the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty (Commissioners Maran and Bohn)

The Peace and Justice commission passed a resolution opposing withdrawal from the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty.

M/S/C: Maran, Meola

Ayes: Askary, al-Bazian, Bohn, Gussman, Lippman, Maran, Meola, Morizawa, Pierce, Pancoast

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Chen

Excused: Rodriguez, Tregub

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The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Breanne Slimick, Secretary
Peace and Justice Commission

On International Conscientious Objectors' Day, Celebrate the 13th Annual

Berkeley C.O.
and
War Resisters' Day

11:30 A.M. Wednesday, May 15, 2019

Peace Flag raising ceremony at Civic Center flagpole at 2180 Milvia Street, corner of Allston Way

With Conscientious Objectors and War Resisters from World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, the Gulf War, the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars

Bob Meola, Berkeley Peace and Justice Commission, War Resisters League, Courage to Resist

Jeff Paterson, Courage to Resist

Paul Cox, Vietnam Veteran, Veterans for Peace

Sing along "Ain't Fest" ["I Ain't Marching Anymore," "Ain't Gonna Let Nobody Turn Me Around," "Down By the Riverside (Ain't Gonna Study War No More)"] with

Max Ventura and Nancy Schimmel

Song sheets provided; Ain't Fest Lyrics links: www.songlyrics.com/phil-ochs/i-ain-t-marching-anymore-lyrics/
www.lyricsmode.com/lyrics/j/joan_baez/aint_gonna_let_nobody_turn_me_around.html#!
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