Commission on the Status of Women

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Wednesday, November 18, 2026 – 7:00pm
North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Ave, Berkeley, CA 94709

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Mayor Adena Ishii:	**Rashi Kersarwani**: Shantee' Baker	**Terry Taplin**: Laurel Hermes
Ben Bartlett: Kameka Goodwin	**Igor Tregub** Lillian Liu	**Shoshana O'Keefe** Samantha Bayardo
Brent Blackaby: Dianna Mullins	**Cecilia Lunaparra**: Amira Jourdan	**Mark Humbert** Peggy Scott

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Public comment for items not on the agenda limited to 2 minutes. No exchange with commission permitted. Public comment for items on the agenda taken as items arise.

1. Roll Call.
2. Reading of Land Acknowledgment.
3. Public Comments for Items not on the Agenda.
4. Approval of the Agenda. Discussion Only.
5. Approval of September 16, 2026, minutes. Discussion and Action.
6. Chair Update Discussion Only.
7. Staff Update Discussion Only.
8. Presentation/Discussion /Action: Civil Rights Outreach and Resources for Berkeley Small Businesses and Nonprofits (by L. Hermes). Discuss recommendation that City Council

enhance outreach regarding Berkeley's protective and equal-opportunity ordinances. Include information on free state resources to help small businesses and nonprofits fulfill harassment, discrimination, and retaliation prevention requirements.

9. Discussion/Action: Review subcommittee structure, membership, and status. Consider organizational changes, as needed.
10. Discussion/Action: COSOW Priorities, Goals, and Measures of Success.
11. Discussion: Expanded Learning / Afterschool Program Update.
12. Adjourn.

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