



City of Berkeley ZERO WASTE COMMISSION Regular Meeting

Thursday, February 20 2025 at 5:30 p.m.
City of Berkeley Corporation Yard (Ratcliff Building, Willow Room)
1326 Allston Way, Berkeley, CA, 94702

MEETING AGENDA

PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

- 5:30 pm 1. Call to Order by Acting Chair and Roll Call by Secretary
- **Steven Sherman (Chair)**, appointed by CM Rashi Kesarwani, District 1
 - **Christienne de Tournay (Vice Chair)**, appointed by CM Shoshana O'Keefe, District 5
 - **VACANT**, appointed by Mayor Adena Ishii
 - **Layla Dargahi**, appointed by CM Terry Taplin, District 2
 - **Dennis Uyat**, appointed by CM Ben Bartlett, District 3
 - **Philip Monrad**, appointed by CM Igor Tregub, District 4
 - **Sandra Curtis**, appointed by CM Brent Blackaby, District 6
 - **Swasti Johri**, appointed by CM Cecilia Lunaparra, District 7
 - **Barun Singh**, appointed by CM Mark Humbert, District 8
- 5:35 pm 2. Approve Meeting Agenda and Order of Agenda Items
- 5:40 pm 3. Approve Draft Action Minutes:
- January 16, 2025 Regular Meeting*
- 5:45 pm 4. Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda
Speakers are allotted up to two minutes. Speakers may be allotted less time at the discretion of the Chair.
- 5:55 pm 5. Commissioner Announcements
Commissioners may make general announcements; no action will be taken.
- 6:00 pm 6. Staff Updates

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

Members of the public may provide comments at the end of each discussion item and prior to the vote of the Commission on any action items. Speakers are allotted up to 2 minutes.

- 6:15 pm 1. Commissioner Elections for Chair and Vice Chair
- 6:35 pm 2. Decide on Commission Meeting Calendar for 2025

Internal

- 6:50 pm 3. Report out from the Special Events Subcommittee and Green Building Subcommittee
- 7:20 pm 4. Discuss Future Agenda Items
- 7:30 pm 5. Adjournment

INFORMATION ITEMS:

Information items may be moved to discussion but no action will be taken

COMMUNICATIONS:

Communications from the public are included as links or attachments in the agenda packet.

***Indicates material included in the agenda packet**

**** Indicates material to be available at the meeting**



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Commission Secretary:

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MINUTES

The meeting was convened at 5:30p.m. with Steven Sherman presiding as Chair.

ROLL CALL

Present: Layla Dargahi, Swasti Johri, Philip Monrad, Chrise de Tournay, Steven Sherman, Dennis Uyat, Jamie Ruth (Alternate for Sandra Curtis)

LOA: Sandra Curtis

Absent:

STAFF PRESENT: Julia A. Heath, Zohe Slack

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC PRESENT: 3

PUBLIC COMMENTS (on non-agenda items): 2

ACTION MINUTES:

- **Approval of the January 16, 2025 Regular Meeting Agenda**
Action Taken: M/S/C (de Tournay/Monrad) to approve the January 16, 2025 meeting agenda.
Ayes: Unanimous; Abstain: None; Absent: Sandra Curtis
- **Approval of the November 21, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes**
Action Taken: M/S/C (de Tournay/Monrad) to approve the November 21, 2024 meeting minutes.
Ayes: Unanimous; Abstain: None; Absent: Sandra Curtis
- **Public Comment**
2 public comment. No Action Taken.
- **Commissioner Announcements**
Discussion only. No Action Taken.
- **Staff Updates**
Discussion only. No Action Taken.
- **Discuss Upcoming Commissioner Elections Happening at the February Commission Meeting**
Discussion only. No Action Taken.
Public Comment: 0
- **Report out from the Special Events Subcommittee**
Discussion only. No Action Taken.
Public Comment: 0

- **Presentation, Q&A, and Discussion by the Green Building Subcommittee about Progress Towards a Green Building Ordinance**

Discussion only. No Action Taken.

Public Comment: 0

- **Discuss Future Agenda Items**

Public Comment: 0

- Presentation about History of Plastics and Copenhagen by Commissioner Sandra Curtis
- Ecology Center Update
- Inviting Susan Collins, president of the Container Recycling Institute to give a presentation on Bottle Bills
- Discuss including an informational Zero Waste insert in all City of Berkeley issued residential leases.

- **Adjournment at 7:27 p.m.**

M/S/C (de Tournay/Monrad) to adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: Unanimous; Abstain: None; Absent: Sandra Curtis

The next regular meeting of the Zero Waste Commission will be held on Thursday, February 20, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in person at City of Berkeley Corporation Yard (Ratcliff Building, Willow Room) 1326 Allston Way, Berkeley.

Respectfully Submitted

Julia A. Heath, Secretary