

BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA & RULES COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021

2:00 P.M.

Committee Members:

Mayor Jesse Arreguin, Councilmembers Sophie Hahn and Susan Wengraf

Alternate: Councilmember Lori Droste

PUBLIC ADVISORY: THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH VIDEOCONFERENCE AND TELECONFERENCE

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Roll Call: 2:04 p.m. All present.

1. **Amendments to the Berkeley Election Reform Act (BERA) to Regulate Officeholder Accounts and Proposed Changes to City Council Office Budget Expenditure and Reimbursement Policies (Resolution 67,992-N.S.)**
(Item contains supplemental material.)
From: Fair Campaign Practices Commission
Referred: January 11, 2021
Due: June 1, 2021
Recommendation: Form a joint subcommittee of members of the City Council and members of the Fair Campaign Practices and Open Government Commissions to (1) prepare an ordinance amending the Berkeley Election Reform Act (BMC Chapter 2.12) to prohibit or regulate officeholder accounts and (2) prepare a change in City Council Expenditure and Reimbursement policies (Resolution 67,992-N.S.) to have donations to nonprofit organizations made in the name of the entire Berkeley City Council on behalf of the citizens of Berkeley rather than from individual Council members.
Financial Implications: None
Contact: Sam Harvey, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-6950

Action: 1 speaker. M/S/C (Wengraf/Arreguin) to send the item to Council with two proposed alternatives: 1) Councilmember Hahn's proposal to regulate officeholder accounts, and 2) the Fair Campaign Practices Commission proposal to prohibit officeholder accounts; and to include the Commission's analysis of regulating officeholder accounts in the item that goes to the full Council.
Vote: All Ayes.

Items for Future Agendas

- None

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Arreguin/Wengraf) to adjourn the meeting.
Vote: All Ayes.

Adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Agenda & Rules Committee meeting held on March 29, 2021.

Mark Numainville
City Clerk

Communications

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