BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL AGENDA & RULES COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2026
2:30 P.M.

2180 Milvia Street, Berkeley, CA 94704

Committee Members:

Mayor Adena Ishii, Councilmembers Terry Taplin and Mark Humbert
Alternate: Ben Bartlett

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Roll Call: 2:35 p.m.

Present: Humbert, Ishii

Absent: Taplin

Councilmember Taplin present at 3:26 p.m.

Public Comment – 2 speakers

Review of Agendas

1. **Approval of Minutes: November 2, 2026**
   Action: M/S/C (Taplin/Humbert) to approve the minutes of 11/2/2026.
   Vote: All Ayes.

2. **Review and Approve Draft Agenda:**
   a. 12/1/2026 – Regular City Council Meeting
   Action: M/S/C (Taplin/Humbert) to approve the agenda of 12/1/2026 with the changes noted below.
   - *Item 16a/b (Commission) Sanctuary City – moved to Consent Calendar*
   - *Item 17 Workplace Relationship Policies (City Auditor) – moved to Consent Calendar*
   - *Item 18 Tobacco Retail (Kesarwani/Taplin) – moved to Consent Calendar*
   - *Item 19 Small Business Disruption Grant Fund (Humbert) – referred to Budget & Finance Committee*

   Vote: All Ayes.

3. **Adjournments In Memory –** None

Scheduling

4. **Council Worksessions Schedule –** received and filed

5. **Council Referrals to Agenda Committee for Scheduling –** received and filed

6. **Land Use Calendar –** received and filed

Unscheduled Items

7. **Review Policy Committees Structure**

8. **Review Boards and Commissions Structure**

Items for Future Agendas

- **None**

Adjournment

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

Adjourned at 2:48 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Agenda & Rules Committee meeting held on November 16, 2026.

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Mark Numainville, City Clerk

Communications

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