



HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION
Regular Meeting
Thursday, February 6, 2020

Housing Advisory Commission

Time: 7:05 pm

South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis Street – Berkeley
Secretary – Mike Uberti, (510) 981-5114

APPROVED MINUTES

1. Roll Call

Present: Xavier Johnson, Thomas Lord, Mari Mendonca, Maryann Sargent, Alex Sharenko, Leah Simon-Weisberg, Marian Wolfe, and Amir Wright.

Absent: Darrell Owens (unapproved).

Commissioners in attendance: 8 of 9

Staff Present: Rhianna Babka, Mike Uberti, and Jenny Wyant

Members of the public in attendance: 7

Public Speakers: 5

2. Agenda Approval

Action: M/S/C (Mendonca/Wright) to approve the agenda.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Mendonca, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Wolfe, and Wright. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

3. Public Comment

There were no speakers during public comment.

4. Approval of the January 9, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

Action: M/S/C (Lord/Mendonca) to approve the minutes.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Mendonca, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, and Wolfe.

Noes: None. Abstain: Wright. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

5. Officer Elections

Action: M/S/C (Lord/Mendonca) to elect Commissioner Johnson as Chair.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Mendonca, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Wolfe, and Wright. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

Action: M/S/C (Lord/Mendonca) to elect Commissioner Simon-Weisberg as Vice-Chair.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Mendonca, Sargent, Simon-Weisberg, and Wright. Noes: None. Abstain: Lord, Sharenko, and Wolfe. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

6. Discussion and Possible Action on the Draft 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan, including the First Year Annual Action Plan and Final Regional Analysis of Impediments

Action: M/S/C (Sharenko/Wright) to recommend to City Council to adopt the Draft 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan, including the first year Annual Action Plan and Final Regional Analysis of Impediments.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Mendonca, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Wolfe, and Wright. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

7. Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint A Representative and Alternate to the AB2923/Ashby and North Berkeley BART Community Advisory Group

Public Speakers: 4

Action: M/S/C (Sargent/Simon-Weisberg) to appoint Commissioner Mendonca to the AB2923/Ashby and North Berkeley BART Community Advisory Group.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Mendonca, Sargent, Simon-Weisberg, and Wright. Noes: Sharenko. Abstain: Wolfe. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

Action: M/S/F (Sargent/Simon-Weisberg) to appoint Commissioner Simon-Weisberg as Alternate to the AB2923/Ashby and North Berkeley BART Community Advisory Group.

Vote: Ayes: Mendonca, Sargent, Simon-Weisberg, and Wright. Noes: Lord, Sharenko, and Wolfe. Abstain: Johnson. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

Action: M/S/F (Sharenko/Lord) to appoint Commissioner Owens as Alternate to the AB2923/Ashby and North Berkeley BART Community Advisory Group.

Vote: Ayes: Lord, Sharenko, and Wolfe. Noes: Sargent and Simon-Weisberg. Abstain: Johnson, Mendonca, and Wright. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

8. Discussion and Possible Action on 1654 Fifth Street RFP Subcommittee Recommendations

Public Speakers: 3

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Sargent) to recommend to Council to:

1. Accept the proposal from Bay Area Community Services Housing Corporation/Bay Area Community Services (BACS) for the disposition of 1654 5th Street, subject to the following conditions:
 - a. City would maintain ownership of the land, and enter into a long-term ground lease with BACS; and
 - b. BACS provide a status report on the operation of the property after one year.
2. Consider re-issuing the Request for Proposals (RFP) to include a provision for the City maintaining ownership of the land and entering into a long-term ground lease with a homeless services operator, if the City is unable to change the disposition strategy through the current RFP.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Mendonca, Sargent, Simon-Weisberg, Wolfe, and Wright. Noes: Lord. Abstain: Sharenko. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

Action: M/S/C (Wright/Simon-Weisberg) to extend the meeting five minutes to 9:05pm.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Mendonca, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Wolfe, and Wright. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

9. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Climate Emergency Subcommittee

10. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Social Housing Subcommittee

11. Update, Discussion, and Possible Action for Recommendations to the Joint Subcommittee for the Implementation of State Housing Law

12. Update on Council Items

13. Announcements/Information Items

14. Future Items

15. Adjourn

Action: M/S/C (Sharenko/Johnson) to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 pm.

Vote: Ayes: Johnson, Lord, Mendonca, Sargent, Sharenko, Simon-Weisberg, Wolfe, and Wright. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Owens (unapproved).

Approved on March 5, 2020

_____, Mike Uberti, Secretary