# BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL LAND USE, HOUSING, & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

## Thursday, January 20, 2022 10:30 AM

Committee Members:

Councilmembers Sophie Hahn, Rigel Robinson, and Lori Droste Alternate: Councilmember Ben Bartlett

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#### **MINUTES**

Roll Call: 10:31 am. Councilmembers Hahn and Robinson present.

Councilmember Droste arrived at 10:39 am.

#### Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters: 1 speaker.

### Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Committee's consideration and approval.

Minutes - November 18, 2021
 Action: M/S/C (Hahn/Robinson) to approve the November 4, 2021 minutes.
 Vote: Ayes: Hahn, Robinson; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Droste.

# **Committee Action Items**

The public may comment on each item listed on the agenda for action as the item is taken up. The Chair will determine the number of persons interested in speaking on each item. Up to ten (10) speakers may speak for two minutes. If there are more than ten persons interested in speaking, the Chair may limit the public comment for all speakers to one minute per speaker. Speakers are permitted to yield their time to one other speaker, however no one speaker shall have more than four minutes.

Following review and discussion of the items listed below, the Committee may continue an item to a future committee meeting, or refer the item to the City Council.

- 2. Discussion of Priorities for Future Small Business Listening Sessions Action: 1 speakers. Discussion held. M/S/C (Hahn/Robinson) to adopt the Small Business Listening Sessions framework as proposed in Councilmember Robinson's supplemental material and amended to accommodate time-sensitive matters. Vote: All Ayes.
- 3. Streamlining Toxic Remediation in Manufacturing Districts From: Councilmember Taplin (Author) Referred: October 25, 2021 Due: April 17, 2022

**Recommendation:** Refer to the City Manager and Planning Commission several amendments to the zoning code in order to facilitate toxic remediation in manufacturing districts and to develop a streamlined process that would allow for one application process, rather than separate application processes for the City's Planning Department and the Toxics Division.

#### Financial Implications: Staff time

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120 Action: 4 speakers. M/S/C (Hahn/Robinson) Positive recommendation to refer the item to Council as amended to expand the scope of the referral and specifically request expedited Planning Commission review of the previous 2012 referral. Vote: All Ayes.

## **Unscheduled Items**

These items are not scheduled for discussion or action at this meeting. The Committee may schedule these items to the Action Calendar of a future Committee meeting.

 Amendments to Berkeley Municipal Code 23C.22: Short Term Rentals From: Councilmember Harrison (Author) Referred: July 28, 2020 Due: May 15, 2022 Recommendation: Amend Berkeley Municipal Code 23C.22: Short Term Rentals to clarify the ordinance and insure adequate host responsibilities, tenant protections and remedies for violating the ordinance. Financial Implications: See report Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140

#### **Items for Future Agendas**

None

**Action:** M/S/C (Hahn/Robinson) to adjourn the meeting. **Vote:** All Ayes.

Adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct record of the Land Use, Housing, & Economic Development Committee meeting held on January 20, 2022.

Sarah K. Bunting, Assistant City Clerk