

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION Thursday, February 1, 2024

APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Meeting Thursday, February 1, 2024	South Berkeley Senior Center 2939 Ellis Street
7:08 pm	Mariela Herrick, Secretary HAC@berkeleyca.gov

1. Roll Call

<u>Present:</u> Sarah Bell, Truman Braslaw (departed at 9:05 PM), Nico Calavita, Mari Mendonca, Keyanna Ortiz-Cedeño (arrived 7:15 PM), Debbie Potter, and Leah Simon-Weisberg.

Absent: Xavier Johnson (unexcused).

Staff Present: Mariela Herrick and Jenny Wyant.

Commissioners in attendance: 7 of 8.

Members of the public: 3.

Public Speakers: 5.

2. Land Acknowledgement

3. Agenda Approval

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

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Calavita, Mendonca, Potter, and Simon-Weisberg. Noes: none.

Abstain: none. Absent: Xavier Johnson (unexcused), Ortiz-Cedeño.

4. Public Comment

There was one speaker during public comment.

5. Approval of November 11, 2023 Meeting Minutes

6. <u>Action</u>: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Mendonca) to approve the November 11, 2023 minutes and with the correction to Agenda Item 10 Discussion and Possible Action to Form a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Funding Community Agencies Subcommittee to note Simon-Weisberg is an alternate to the Community Agency RFP subcommittee.

<u>Vote</u>: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Calavita, Mendonca, Potter, and Simon-Weisberg. Noes: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Xavier Johnson (unexcused), Ortiz-Cedeño.

7. Officer Elections

Public Comment: 1

<u>Action</u>: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Mendonca) to re-appoint Commissioner Potter as the Housing Advisory Commission Chair.

<u>Vote</u>: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Calavita, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeño, Potter, and Simon-Weisberg. Noes: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Xavier Johnson (unexcused).

<u>Action</u>: M/S/C (Potter/Braslaw) to re-appoint Commissioner Mendonca as the Housing Advisory Commission Vice Chair.

<u>Vote</u>: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Calavita, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeño, Potter, and Simon-Weisberg. Noes: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Xavier Johnson (unexcused).

8. Receive Presentation from City of Berkeley Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funded subrecipient: ECHO Housing

Public Comment: 1

 Discussion and Possible Action on BOSS's Application at 1918 University Avenue for the City of Berkeley's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Facility Improvement FY 2024 Program

Public Comment: 1

<u>Action</u>: M/S/C (Calavita/ Simon-Weisberg) to recommend to Council that BOSS is awarded \$195,000 of the FY 2024 CDBG Public Facility Improvement funding for the project at 1918 University Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94704.

<u>Vote</u>: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Calavita, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeño, Potter, and Simon-Weisberg. Noes: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Xavier Johnson (unexcused).

10. Update and Possible Action on the Arts and Housing Subcommittee

Public Comment: 1

- 11. Update on Council Items (Future Dates Subject to Change)
- 12. Announcements/Information Items
- 13. Future Items

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14. Adjourn

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/ Ortiz-Cedeño) to adjourn meeting at 9:07 PM.

<u>Vote</u>: Ayes: Bell, Calavita, Mendonca, Ortiz-Cedeño, Potter, and Simon-Weisberg. Noes: none. Abstain: none. Absent: Braslaw (departed a 9:05 PM), Xavier Johnson (unexcused).

Approved: Mariela Herrick, Mariela Herrick, Secretary