



Housing Advisory Commission

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION

APPROVED MINUTES

Special Meeting Thursday, October 10, 2024 7:03 pm	South Berkeley Senior Center 2939 Ellis Street Anna Cash, Secretary HAC@berkeleyca.gov
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1. Roll Call

Present: Sarah Bell, Truman Braslaw, Karen Haycox, Mari Mendonca, Debbie Potter, David Shere, Leah Simon-Weisberg, and Alfred Twu.

Absent: Keyanna Ortiz-Cedeño (unexcused).

Staff Present: Anna Cash

Commissioners in attendance: 8 of 9

Members of the public: 2

Public Speakers: 4

2. Land Acknowledgement

3. Agenda Approval

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Twu) to approve the agenda.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Haycox, Mendonca, Potter, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Ortiz-Cedeño (unexcused).

4. Public Comment

There were two speakers during public comment.

5. Approval of September 5, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Action: M/S/C (Bell/Simon-Weisberg) to approve the September 5, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Mendonca, Potter, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: Shere and Haycox. Absent: Ortiz-Cedeño (unexcused).

6. Discussion and Possible Action: Re-appoint the Arts and Housing Subcommittee

Public Speakers: 1

Action: M/S/C (Mendonca/Braslaw) to to appoint a subcommittee for the period of October 10, 2024 through June 30, 2025 comprised of Commissioners Haycox, Mendonca, Potter, and Simon-Weisberg, with the charge to explore affordable housing policy to support artists.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Haycox, Mendonca, Potter, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu.
Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Ortiz-Cedeño (unexcused).

7. Discussion and Possible Action: Ordinance Amending the Municipal Code to Prohibit the Sale or Use of Algorithmic Devices to Set Rents or Manage Occupancy Levels for Residential Dwelling Units

Public Speakers: 1

Action: M/S/C (Bell/Twu) to recommend that Council adopt the ordinance as set forth in the HAC agenda packet, with the amendment to clarify in which lawsuits local trade associations have been named.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Haycox, Mendonca, Potter, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu.
Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Ortiz-Cedeño (unexcused).

8. Update on Council Items (Future Dates Subject to Change)

- a. Adopt Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter 13.89: Community/Tenant Opportunity to Purchase Act (COPA/TOPA) (9/30/2024)
- b. Encampment Policy Resolution to Promote Healthy and Safe Neighborhoods and Related First Reading of Ordinance Amending Chapter 14.48 of the Berkeley Municipal Code (9/24/2024)
- c. Ashby BART Transit Oriented Development (TOD) (9/16/2024)
- d. 2024 Local Housing Trust Fund Application (9/10/2024)

9. Announcements/Information Items

- a. AB 812: Housing Development Approvals: Reserving Affordable Units in or Near a Cultural District for Artists

10. Future Items

11. Adjourn

Action: M/S/C (Haycox/Shere) to adjourn at 8:58 pm.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Haycox, Mendonca, Potter, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu.
Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Ortiz-Cedeño (unexcused).

Approved: _____, *Anna Cash*, Anna Cash, Secretary