



Housing Advisory Commission

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION

APPROVED MINUTES

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| Regular Meeting Thursday, February 6, 2025 7:05 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, Debbie Potter, Sean Vaughn Scott, David Shere, Leah Simon-Weisberg, and Alfred Twu.

Absent: Karen Haycox (excused).

Staff Present: Rhianna Babka, Anna Cash, and Kat Larrowe.

Commissioners in attendance: 7 of 7.

Members of the public: 2

Public Speakers: 1

2. **Land Acknowledgement**

3. **Agenda Approval**

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Bell) to approve the agenda, removing item 6.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Potter, Scott, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Haycox (excused).

4. **Public Comment**

There were zero speakers during public comment.

5. **Approval of January 9, 2025 Meeting Minutes**

Action: M/S/C (Shere/Simon-Weisberg) to approve the January 9, 2025 Special Meeting minutes.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Potter, Scott, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Haycox (excused).

6. **Public Hearing on the Draft 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, including the first year Annual Action Plan, and Draft Regional Analysis of Impediments**

Public Speakers: 0

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Braslaw) to recommend that City Council approve the proposed Draft 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, including the first year Annual Action Plan, and Draft Regional Analysis of Impediments, with the feedback to include in the Draft

Regional Analysis of Impediments the use of predictive algorithms to discriminate in tenant screening.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Potter, Scott, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Haycox (excused).

Action: M/S/C (Twu/Bell) to form a subcommittee for the charge of reviewing Public Facilities Improvements funding applications for the period of February 2025 through June 2025 comprised of Commissioners Braslaw, Scott, and Shere.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Potter, Scott, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Haycox (excused).

7. Discussion and Action on Ordinance Amending the Municipal Code to Implement AB 812 (Chapter 747) Authorizing a Certain Percentage of Affordable Units be Reserved for Artists

Public Speakers: 1

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Scott) to refer to the Planning Commission for its consideration and action a draft ordinance amending the Municipal Code to implement AB 812 (Chapter 747) authorizing a certain percentage of affordable units be reserved for lower income artists of those required affordable housing units consistent with the City of Berkeley's Affordable Housing Preference Policy.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Potter, Scott, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: Shere. Absent: Haycox (excused).

8. Officer Elections

Action: M/S/C (Potter/Scott) move to elect Commissioner Simon-Weisberg as Chair of the HAC.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Potter, Scott, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Haycox (excused).

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Twu) move to elect Commissioner Bell as Vice-Chair of the HAC.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Potter, Scott, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Haycox (excused).

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

- a. Housing Trust Fund Recommendations for the Martin Luther King Jr. House Predevelopment Funds and Haste Street Rehabilitation Funds (1/21/2025)

10. Announcements/Information Items

11. Future Items

12. Adjourn

Action: M/S/C (Potter/Braslaw) to adjourn at 8:59pm.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Braslaw, Potter, Scott, Shere, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None.
Abstain: None. Absent: Haycox (excused).

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