



Housing Advisory Commission

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION

APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Meeting Thursday, January 15, 2026 7:00 pm	South Berkeley Senior Center 2939 Ellis Street Snow Zhu, Secretary HAC@berkeleyca.gov
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1. Roll Call

Present: Valeria Chupina (alternate for Alfred Twu), Karen Haycox, Syrak Micael, Rebecca Mirvish, David Shere, Leah Simon-Weisberg.

Absent: Sarah Bell (excused), Debbie Potter (excused), Sean Vaughn Scott (excused), Alfred Twu (excused).

Staff Present: Galadriel Burr, David Lopez, Mike Uberti, and Snow Zhu.

Commissioners in attendance: 6 of 6

Members of the public: 4

Public Speakers: 2

2. Land Acknowledgement

3. Agenda Approval

Action: M/S/C (Haycox/Shere) to move Item 9 before Item 8 and approve the agenda.

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

4. Public Comment

There were two speakers during public comment.

5. Approval of October 9, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Action: M/S/C (Micael/Shere) to approve the October 9, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes.

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

6. Approval of November 6, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes

Action: M/S/C (Haycox/Mirvish) to approve the November 6, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes.

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

7. Receive Presentation on Exterior Elevated Elements Inspection Program (E3)

8. Appeal of Determination by Building Official for 1615 Fairview Street regarding the Applicability of Exterior Elevated Elements Inspection Requirement

Action: M/S/C (Mirvish/Chupina) to close the hearing.

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

Action: M/S/C (Shere/Haycox) to deny the appeal and affirm the Building Official's determination that (1) 1615 Fairview Street is not in compliance with the Exterior Elevated Elements (E3) Inspection Program and (2) uphold the associated fees consistent with Council-adopted policy and State law.

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

9. Appeal of Citation for 2210 Vine Street regarding Exterior Elevated Elements Violation

Action: M/S/C (Haycox/Chupina) to close the hearing.

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

Action: M/S/C (Mirvish/Shere) to affirm the Building Officials determination that (1) 2210 Vine Street is not in compliance with the Exterior Elevated Elements (E3) Inspection Program, per Berkeley Municipal Code Section 19.40.040 and (2) uphold the Administrative Citation #10080, issued May 4, 2023 for \$500.

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

Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisburg/Chupina) to deny the appeal.

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

10. Discussion and Possible Action: Feedback on State Legislative Priorities

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

12. Announcements/Information Items

13. Future Items

14. Adjourn

Action: M/S/C (Shere/Micael) to adjourn at 9:36 pm.

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

Approved:  _____, Snow Zhu, Secretary