



Peace and
Justice
Commission

PEACE & JUSTICE COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, July 6, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.
South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis St. Berkeley, CA 94703

Draft Minutes

Meeting began at 6:40 PM with Chair Phillips presiding. Tasha Tervalon as Secretary.
2 members of the public.

SECTION A. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Phillips, Cassidy, Yasavul, Taylor, Sani, Lippman, Moore, and Press

Arrived at 6:42: Commissioner Marasovic

Arrived at 7:07: Commissioner Elias

Absent: Commissioners Weisberg and Morizawa

Leave of Absence: Commissioners Fink, Lee, Mencher and McNeil

2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Announcements
4. Review and approval of draft minutes: June 1, 2026, Peace and Justice meeting.

Motion to approve the draft minutes from the June 1, 2026 meeting.

M/S/C: Yasavul/Moore

Ayes: Commissioners Phillips, Cassidy, Yasavul, Marasovic, Taylor, Sani, Lippman, Moore, and Press

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioners, Elias, Weisberg and Morizawa

Excused: Commissioners Fink, Lee, Mencher and McNeil

5. Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve the July 6, 2026 Agenda

M/S/C: Cassidy/Sani

Ayes: Commissioners Phillips, Cassidy, Yasavul, Marasovic, Taylor, Sani, Lippman, Moore, and Press

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioners Elias, Weisberg and Morizawa

Excused: Commissioners Fink, Lee, Mencher and McNeil

6. Comments from the Public on non-agenda items. Public Comment is subject to time limits applicable to all speakers as necessary.

7. **Motion to approve the Peace and Justice annual workplan for FY 2026-2027 to focus on the following priorities, selected by the Commission:**

- **Racial Justice: Reparations and Indigenous Peoples**
- **Voter access, education and empowerment**
- **Screening tool for Peace and Justice in the City's budget planning process.**

The commission retains the right to bring forward any pertinent timely issues.

M/S/C: Taylor/Cassidy

Ayes: Commissioners Phillips, Cassidy, Yasavul, Marasovic, Elias, Taylor, Sani, Lippman, Moore, and Press

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioners Weisberg and Morizawa

Excused: Commissioners Fink, Lee, Mencher and McNeil

8. **Motion to create an Ad Hoc Committee for the Voter Access initiative including Commissioners Cassidy, Marasovic, Elias and Mencher(pending Commissioner Mencher's acceptance at next meeting)**

M/S/C: Lippman/Cassidy

Ayes: Commissioners Phillips, Cassidy, Yasavul, Marasovic, Elias, Taylor, Sani, Lippman, Moore, and Press

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioners Weisberg and Morizawa

Excused: Commissioners Fink, Lee, Mencher and McNeil

9. Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn at 8:02

M/S/C: Lippman/Press

Ayes: Commissioners Phillips, Cassidy, Yasavul, Marasovic, Elias, Taylor, Sani, Lippman, Moore, and Press

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioners Weisberg and Morizawa

Excused: Commissioners Fink, Lee, Mencher and McNeil

Respectfully Submitted,

Date _____

Tasha Tervalon,

Secretary Peace and Justice Commission