Housing Advisory Commission

HOUSING ADVISORY COMMISSION

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Regular Meeting **Thursday, November 5, 2026** **7:04 pm**	**South Berkeley Senior Center** 2939 Ellis Street Anna Cash, Secretary HAC@berkeleyca.gov

1. **Roll Call**

   Present: Sarah Bell, Karen Haycox, Syrak Micael, Rebecca Mirvish, David Shere, Leah Simon-Weisberg, Alfred Twu, Sean Vaughn Scott (arrived 7:32 pm).

   Absent: None.

   Staff Present: Jiro Arase, Anna Cash, Kat Larrowe.

   Commissioners in attendance: 8 of 8

   Members of the public: 9

   Public Speakers: Four speakers.

2. **Land Acknowledgment**

3. **Agenda Approval**

   Action: M/S/C (Mirvish/Micael) to approve the agenda.

   Vote: Ayes: Bell, Haycox, Shere, Micael, Mirvish, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Vaughn Scott.

4. **Public Comment**

5. **Minutes for Approval**

   Action: M/S/C (Micael/Mirvish) to approve the September 3, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes.

   Vote: Ayes: Bell, Haycox, Shere, Micael, Mirvish, Simon-Weisberg, and Twu. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: Vaughn Scott.

6. **Discussion and Potential Action on Applications for the City of Berkeley's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Public Facilities Improvements Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Program**

   Public Speakers: 3

   Action: M/S/C (Simon-Weisberg/Shere) to recommend that City Council award Fiscal Year 2027 CDBG Public Facilities Improvements funding to:

   - The City of Berkeley's Aging Services Division: $249,156
   - Building Opportunities for Self Sufficiency (BOSS): $333,333
   - Center for Independent Living (CIL): $249,807

- Multicultural Institute: $366,287.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Haycox, Shere, Micael, Mirvish, Simon-Weisberg, Twu, and Vaughn Scott. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

7. **Discussion and Possible Action to Approve the 2027 Housing Advisory Commission Meeting Calendar**

   Public Speakers: 1

   Action: M/S/C (Shere/Simon-Weisberg) to approve the 2027 Housing Advisory Commission Meeting Calendar.

   Vote: Ayes: Haycox, Shere, Micael, Mirvish, Simon-Weisberg, Twu, and Vaughn Scott. Noes: Bell. Abstain: None. Absent: None.

8. Update on Council Items

9. Announcements/Information Items

10. Items for Future Agendas

11. Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Shere/Twu) to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 pm.

Vote: Ayes: Bell, Haycox, Shere, Micael, Mirvish, Simon-Weisberg, Twu, and Vaughn Scott. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent: None.