



Human Welfare and Community Action Commission

APPROVED MINUTES

Wednesday, April 22, 2026

6:30 PM

Berkeley City Hall – Cypress Room – 2180 Milvia Street
Berkeley, CA 94704

Preliminary Matters

1. Roll Call: 6:35PM
Present: Huchting, Sol, Lippman
Absent: Gelsinger (excused), Herzer-Baptiste (excused)
Quorum: 3 (Attended: 3)
Staff Present: Kat Larrowe
Public Present: 2
2. Agenda Approval
Action: M/S/C (Lippman/Sol) Motion to approve agenda with the edit to move item #8 above item #7
Vote: Ayes -, Huchting, Sol, Lippman. Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Gelsinger, Herzer-Baptiste
 - a.
3. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters
 - a. Public Speakers: None

Update/Action Items

The Commission may take action related to any subject listed on the agenda, except where noted.

1. Presentation from Vanessa Harris, Center for Early Intervention on Deafness
No action taken

Berkeley Community Action Agency Board Business

2. Approve minutes from the 03/18/2026 regular meeting (Attachment A) – All
Action: M/S/C (Sol/Lippman) Approve minutes as written
Vote: Ayes -, Huchting, Sol, Lippman. Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Gelsinger, Herzer-Baptiste
3. Election of low-income representatives – All
No action taken
4. Discussion and Possible Action: City of Berkeley Fiscal Year 2025 Single Audit Report (Attachment B)
No action taken
5. Review City of Berkeley funded agency program and financial reports (Attachment C) — Staff
 - a. Family Violence Law Center (FVLC) FY25 – Q4 program report and Q4 financial report
No action taken

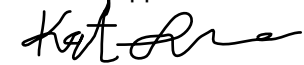
Other Discussion Items

6. Discussion and Possible Action: Amend the HWCAC meeting dates for the remainder of the 2026 calendar year (Attachment D)
Action: M/S/C (Lippman/Huchting) Approve amended meeting dates as written in agenda packet for remainder of 2026 calendar year
Vote: Ayes -, Huchting, Sol, Lippman. Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Gelsinger, Herzer-Baptiste
7. Discussion and Possible Action: Review CSBG Community Needs Assessment, Community Action Plan, and City of Berkeley Community Health Assessment and Improvement Plan (Attachment E-G)
No action taken
8. Discussion and possible action on the enclosed proposed letter to the City Council regarding the city's review of the expansion of the FLOCK contract (Attachment H)
Action: M/S/C (Huchting/Sol) Approve the opposition to FLOCK contract letter as amended and for the Secretary to submit to the City Council
Vote: Ayes -, Huchting, Sol, Lippman. Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Gelsinger, Herzer-Baptiste
9. Discussion and possible action on commission recruitment and outreach efforts – All
No action taken
10. Discussion and possible action of policy proposals to City Council regarding homelessness – All
No action taken
11. Discussion and possible action to address potential funding gaps for services aimed at low-income residents – All
No action taken
12. Discussion and possible action to create a plan to collaborate with other City of Berkeley commissions on homelessness – All
No action taken
13. Review latest City Council meeting agenda
No action taken
14. Announcements
No action taken
15. Future Agenda Items
No action taken
16. Adjournment
Action: M/S/C (Lippman/Huchting) Adjourn meeting at 8:32
Vote: Ayes -, Huchting, Sol, Lippman. Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Gelsinger, Herzer-Baptiste

Attachments

- A. Draft minutes of the 03/18/2026 regular meeting
- B. City of Berkeley Fiscal Year 2025 Single Audit Report
- C. Program and financial reports from Family Violence Law Center
- D. Amended HWCAC 2026 Meeting Dates
- E. CSBG 2026-2027 Community Needs Assessment and Community Action Plan
- F. City of Berkeley Community Health Assessment
- G. City of Berkeley Community Health Improvement Plan
- H. HWCAC Letter to City Council on FLOCK Contract

Minutes Approved on 5/20/26



Kat Larowe, Secretary