



Department of Health,
Housing & Community Services
Mental Health Commission

Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Adopted Minutes – Regular Meeting

7:00 pm
North Berkeley SC 1901 Hearst

Regular Meeting
June 27, 2024

Members of the Public Present: Shirley Posey

Staff Present: Jeff Buell, Jamie Works-Wright

1) Call to Order at 7:11 pm

Commissioners Present: Ajay Krishnan, Monica Jones (Chair), Edward Opton (7:10)

Absent: Cecilia Lunaparra **Excused Absent:** Andrea Prichett, Glenn Turner (Vice Chair)

2) Preliminary Matters

a) Approval of the June 27, 2024 agenda

M/S/C (Opton, Jones) Move to approve the June 27 agenda

PASSED

Ayes: Krishnan, Jones, Opton, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Lunaparra

b) Public Comment- 1 public comments

c) Approval of the May 23, 2024 Minutes

M/S/C (Opton, Krishnan) Motion that we move to approve the May 23, 2024 minutes

PASSED

Ayes: Krishnan, Jones, Opton, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Lunaparra

d) Approval of the April 25, 2024 Minutes

M/S/C (Jones, Opton) Moved that we approve the April minutes

PASSED

Ayes: Krishnan, Jones, Opton, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Lunaparra

3) Response by Police Department to Mental Health Crisis calls Presentation - Police Captain Schofield – Presenter was not present but an email was read to the commission answering questions.

- 4) **SCU update – provided by Katie Hawn – No motion made**
- 5) **Review, edit and vote for approval of the letters written to the City Auditor.**
M/S/C (Opton, Jones) Motion to have commissioner Opton review and edit the auditor letter and will review at the next mental health commission meeting.
PASSED
Ayes: Krishnan, Jones, Opton, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Lunaparra
- 6) **Discussion and review of Berkeley Side article about "Berkeley returns \$400,000 in housing funds meant for homeless hotel". Write and vote on an opinion to be sent to the city manager, city council and/or Berk MH division – Glenn Turner – Bring this agenda item for July commission meeting.**
- 7) **Mental Health Manager's Report and Caseload Statistics – provided by Jeff Buell**
a) MHC Manager Report June – No motion made
b) Caseload Statistic June 2024 – No motion made
- 8) **Subcommittee Reports (20 min)**
a) **Youth Subcommittee –**
M/S/C (Jones, Opton) Motion to disband the youth subcommittee.
PASSED
Ayes: Krishnan, Jones, Opton, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Lunaparra
b) **Membership Subcommittee –**
i) **Review, edit and vote for draft MHC recruitment email template**
M/S/C (Jones, Opton) Motion to accept Commissioner Opton's revisions and once corrected, it's approved to be sent out.
PASSED
Ayes: Krishnan, Jones, Opton, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Lunaparra
c) **Evaluation Subcommittee – No Motion Made**
d) **Berkeley's participant in reorganization and, potentially, to make recommendations concerning Berkeley's implementation of the reorganization – No Motion Made**
- 9) **Adjournment – 8:35 PM**
M/S/C (Jones, Opton) Motion to adjourn the meeting
PASSED
Ayes: Krishnan, Jones, Opton, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Lunaparra

Minutes submitted by: _____
Jamie Works-Wright, Commission Secretary