

DISASTER AND FIRE SAFETY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

December 3, 2025

7:00 PM

Fire Department Division of Training Classroom – 997 Cedar Street

Mayor's Appointee- Andy Katz

District 1 – Michael Wilson
District 2 – Weldon Bradstreet
District 3 – Todd Darling
District 4 – Robert Kinosian

District 5 – Shirley Dean
District 6 – Greg Murphy*
District 7 – Taj Herzer-Baptiste
District 8 – Theo Gordon**

AGENDA

Preliminary Matters

Call to Order: 7:06pm
Present: *Katz, Wilson, Bradstreet, Murphy, Herzer-Baptiste, Gordon*
Absent: Darling, Kinosian, Dean
LOA: *n/a*

Public Present 1

Approval of the Agenda

Agenda approved by Acclamation

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters

Public speakers: 1

1. Chairperson's Report
2. Fire Department Staff Report

REGULAR AGENDA MATTERS *All Regular Agenda Matters are for discussion and possible action.*

- 3. Action/Discussion:** Minutes of October 29, 2025
- Recommendation:** Approve the draft minutes of the October 29, 2025 Regular meeting.
- Written Material:** DFSC 10/29/25 Draft Regular Meeting Minutes
- Motion to Approve: Gordon
- Second: Wilson
- Vote:
- Ayes: Katz, Wilson, Bradstreet, Murphy, Herzer-Baptiste, Gordon
- Nays: 0
- Abstain: 0

- 4. Action/Discussion:** Create 2026 DFSC Meeting Calendar (Staff)
- Recommendation:** Confirm 2026 DFSC Meeting Dates
- Written Material:** COB Religious Holiday Schedule

0 public comments.

Motion to Approve: *Herzer-Baptiste*
Second: *Bradstreet*
Vote: Ayes: *Katz, Wilson, Bradstreet, Murphy, Herzer-Baptiste, Gordon*
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0

5. Work Group Reports

Receive reporting on recent activities by the following work groups:

- Plan & Budget Oversight
 - Nothing to report
- Neighborhood Fire Resiliency
 - Started discussion about developing awards and certification programs for Zone 0 compliance. Holding off additional work until after the holidays.
- Safe Passages
 - Met with Emergency Manager Lana. Identified ways to support – getting understanding from community members of how they are getting evacuation information and challenges they have. Discussion about how we could access county, State, federal funds for disaster response for use during extreme fire weather.

- Discussion among the commissioners about priorities for the workgroup, with questions about the evacuation study and leaving early for extreme fire weather.
- Discussion about how extreme fire weather is actionable.
- Community Outreach
 - Discussion about warnings, advisories and orders for safe passages group overlap when sitting down with Jamie.
- Street Trauma Prevention Program
 - Commissioner Wilson met with City Manager and Deputy City Manager along with rep from Walk Bike Berkeley and Transportation and Infrastructure Commission re: the DFSC memo on the Bike Plan. Commissioners reviewed the City Manager section of the DFSC memo on the Bike Plan.
 - Councilmember Humbert working with Arreguin to add Berkeley to automated speed camera program. Localities blocked from doing this unless State allows it. Suggest the workgroup draft a letter for the Commission to review.

6. Future Agenda Items and Next Steps

- Street Widths – Street Safety and Public Events
- WUI EMBER Program Update
- STPP Presentation and Workgroup Questions
- Measure GG outreach with OES and Public Health
- Gilman Fire Headquarters Update
- Partner agency emergency response procedures
- 911 Communications Center Status, CentralSquare Contract

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: Gordon

Second: Bradstreet

Approved by acclamation at 8:12pm.

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SECRETARY SIGNATURE

*Keith May* 1/29/26