

**AGENDA**  
**Disaster Fire and Safety Commission**  
**Regular Meeting**

**April 26, 2023**  
**7:00 PM**

**Fire Department Training Facility – 997 Cedar Street**

Present: Weldon Bradstreet, Greg Murphy, Shirley Dean, Theodore Gordon, Harrison Raine  
Absent: Antoinette Stein, Jose Luis Bedolla  
Staff: Keith May, Leah Greenbaum, Sarah Lana  
Public: 4 attendees

**Preliminary Matters**

Call to Order

W. Bradstreet called meeting to order at 7:00pm

Approval of the Agenda

Approved by Acclamation

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters

0 speakers

1. Fire Department Staff Report \*  
H. Raine arrived at 7:13pm

**Consent Items**

2. Approval of Draft Minutes of Meeting of March 22, 2023\*

Motion to approve as submitted: S. Dean

Second: T. Gordon

Vote: 5 Ayes: W. Bradstreet, T. Gordon, S. Dean, G. Murphy, H. Raine; 0 Noes; 2 Absent: J Bedolla, A. Stein; 0 Abstain

**Action Items**

3. Recommend that City Council Adopt the Final Draft of Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) (Bedolla, Raine)\*

After discussion, motion to approve with friendly amendments for revisions to Recommend that City Council Adopt The Final Draft Of The Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP): H. Raine  
Second: G. Murphy

Vote: 5 Ayes: W. Bradstreet, T. Gordon, S. Dean, G. Murphy, H. Raine: 0 Noes; 2 Absent: J Bedolla, A. Stein; 0 Abstain

Friendly amendment included the following proposed revisions to the CWPP, which were documented in the recommendation memo to City Council:

- Second paragraph states that “Some of the key goals of the City of Berkeley CWPP...are....” Commission recommended that this section summarize all key goals, rather than some. (Pg. 4)
  - Language on page 9 describing the geographic boundaries of the CWPP hazard analysis are difficult to understand. Recommend clarifying that the “1000 foot buffer” that is referenced here as “1000 feet from the westerly border of fire Zone 2”. (Pg. 9)
  - included language that incorrectly suggested that lives and housing lost in Tunnel Fire were in Berkeley. Recommend clarifying specific impacts to Berkeley and/or clarifying that while Oakland suffered these impacts, Berkeley was threatened/impacted by the proximity of the threat. (Pg. 19)
  - Recommends that the Action Plan chart on page 37 (currently Subsection D3) be moved up in the section, so that it falls in Subsection D1, immediately before the section describing Funding Sources (Subsection D2). This recommendation was made to improve the continuity and logical flow of the section. (Pg. 32-37)
  - There is a reference to the Demonstration Garden at Fire Station 4. Please identify the address of Station #4 – 1900 Marin Ave, and provide more detail about the defensible space guidelines this space seeks to demonstrate. (Pg. 40)
4. Recommendation to Form a Working Group to Seek Items Presented, With the Goal of Presenting a Proposal in the Future that Outlines a Program to Retrofit All Vulnerable Non-Ductile Buildings in Berkeley (Dean, Murphy)\*

Item pulled as written—Staff will make request for a presentation to Building and Safety Division on non-ductile buildings.

5. Request City Council to Strongly Recommend HUD to Upgrade Their Electrical Grid to Include Battery Back-up During the Time that the Harriett Tubman Facility is Going Through Renovation (Dean)\*

Motion to approve: H. Raine  
Second: W. Bradstreet

Vote: 5 Ayes: W. Bradstreet, T. Gordon, S. Dean, G. Murphy, H. Raine: 0 Noes; 2 Absent: J Bedolla, A. Stein; 0 Abstain

## **Discussion Items**

6. Updates on Citywide Disaster Preparedness Efforts Beyond Fire Presentation (Staff)

## **Future Agenda Items and Next Steps**

- a. Recommendation to City Council on Measure GG/FF Tax Rate Adjustment
- b. FY24 Work Plan Submittal

## **Adjournment**

Motion to Adjourn: Dean

Second: Gordon

Vote: 5 Ayes: W. Bradstreet, T. Gordon, S. Dean, G. Murphy, H. Raine; 0 Noes; 2 Absent: J Bedolla, A. Stein; 0 Abstain

Adjourned at 9:24p