

# DISASTER AND FIRE SAFETY COMMISSION

## REGULAR MEETING

August 7, 2024

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 – Harrison Raine  
District 8 – Theo Gordon

## AGENDA

### Preliminary Matters

#### Call to Order

*Meeting called to order at 7:02pm*

*Present:* Bradstreet, Murphy, Kinosian, Gordon, Katz (7:02), Darling (7:03)

*Absent:* Dean

*LOA:* Raine, Wilson

#### Approval of the Agenda

*Discussion –*

Motion to approve: Murphy

Second: Gordon

Vote: Ayes: Katz, Bradstreet, Darling, Kinosian, Murphy, Gordon

Nays: 0

Abstain:0

Approved by vote

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters**

*2 public Comments.*

1. Chairperson’s Report – No Chair Report
2. Fire Department Staff Report\*

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

- 3. Action:** Approve Minutes of June 26, 2024
- Recommendation:** Approve the draft minutes of the June 26, 2024 regular meeting.
- Written Material:** June 26, 2024 Draft Minutes

**Presentation:**

1 Public Comment

Motion to approve: Katz

Second: Darling

Vote: Ayes: Katz, Bradstreet, Darling, Kinosian, Murphy, Gordon

Nays: 0

Abstain:0

Approved by vote

- 4. Action:** Discuss and approve DFSC feedback on LHMP (Bradstreet)
- Recommendation:** Submit Feedback to [Mitigation@berkeleyca.gov](mailto:Mitigation@berkeleyca.gov)

**Written Material:**

**Presentation:**

Motion to approve as amended: Katz

Second: Gordon

Vote: Ayes: Katz, Bradstreet, Darling, Kinosian, Murphy, Gordon

Nays: 0

Abstain:0

Approved by vote

- 5. Discussion/Action:** Changing registration with AC Alert to an “opt out” System (Murphy)

**Recommendation:** 1. The DFSC proposes to the City Council that they

Recommend a change in the registration, testing, and operations of the AC Alert System to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors.

The changes the DFSC would like the City to propose to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors are similar to the policy recommendations proposed by the Contra Costa County Civil Grand Jury to the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors on May 31, 2024.

2. Form a working group to draft a Council Report based on the recommendation discussion.

3. And, to draft a Memo from the DFSC to East Bay Wildfire Coalition of Governance.

**Written Material:**

1. Email of proposal to the DFSC from the Berkeley Fire Safe Council dated June 26, 2024

2. Attachment to the email of summary revised by the Berkeley Fire Safe Council from material originally Produced by Sheila Bana, Chair, West Contra Costa Fire Safe Council

3. Summary of recommendations from the Contra Costa Civil Grand Jury to the CCC Board of Supervisors dated May 31, 2024

**Presentation:**

Working Group formed – (Murphy)

1 Public Comment

*Motion to approve:* Bradstreet

*Second:* Katz

*Vote: Ayes:* Katz, Bradstreet, Darling, Kinosian, Murphy, Gordon

*Nays:* 0

*Abstain:* 0

*Approved by vote*

**6. Work Group Reports**

Receive reporting on recent activities by the following work groups:

- Plan & Budget Oversight
- Home Hardening: Update from Murphy
- Wildland Urban Interface
- Safe Passages
- Community Outreach

- 7. Future Agenda Items and Next Steps
  - Non-ductile concrete program
  - Potential evacuation issues for tenants in FZ 2

**Adjournment**

Motion to approve: Bradstreet

Second: Gordon

Vote: Ayes: Katz, Bradstreet, Darling, Kinosian, Murphy, Gordon

Nays: 0

Abstain:0

Approved by vote at 8:06 pm

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SECRETARY SIGNATURE

*Keith May*            9/26/24