

DISASTER AND FIRE SAFETY COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

June 25, 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: 7:06 pm

Present: Bradstreet, Murphy, Kinosian, Wilson, Herzer-Baptiste, Gordon,
Dean

Late: Katz 7:08

Absent: Darling

Public Present: 1

Approval of the Agenda

Motion to approve from Bradstreet, seconded by Gordon

Motion by Murphy to approve by acclamation

Agenda approved by Acclamation

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters

Public speakers:1

1. Chairperson's Report: Congratulate the Dept/Council for approving Ember.
Contact with Fire Safe Council and other landscape professionals, will attempt to contact UC Berkeley to help provide resources to implementation of Ember.
Once work plan is adopted, if we have fire resiliency workgroup established, want them to work on resources for Ember implementation.
2. Fire Department Staff Report:

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

- 3. Action/Discussion:** Minutes of May 28, 2025 (Murphy)

Recommendation: Approve the draft minutes of the May 28, 2025 Regular Meeting.

Motion: Murphy

Motion to approve: Herzer-Baptiste

Second: Gordon

Vote: Ayes: Katz, Wilson, Bradstreet, Kinosian, Dean, Murphy, Herzer Baptiste, Gordon,

Nayes: 0

Absent: Darling

Written Material: DFSC 5/28/25 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 4. Action/Discussion:** FY26 Work Plan (Murphy)

Recommendation: Amendment and Approval of individual activities proposed in a 2025 – 2026 DFSC Work Plan that will then be finalized and submitted to City Council for Approval

Motion: Murphy

Motion to approve: Kinosian

Second: Herzer-Baptiste

Vote: Ayes: Katz, Wilson, Bradstreet, Kinosian, Dean, Murphy, Herzer Baptiste, Gordon

Nayes: 0

Absent: Darling

Written Material: FY26 Work Plan

Commission assigned out who would be in each work group (listed below)

- 5. Work Group Reports**
Receive reporting on recent activities by the following work groups:

- Plan& Budget Oversight: Murphy will be discussion with Chief Sprague and setting up a formal schedule for that work group. That will be set in conjunction with regular budget reviews.
 - Murphy
 - Gordon
 - Katz
- Fire Resiliency (Home Hardening and WUI)
 - Herzer Baptiste
 - Murphy
 - Katz
- Safe Passages Gordon: delayed first meeting, waiting for the evacuation time study
 - Gordon
 - Wilson
 - Herzer Baptiste
- Community Outreach
 - Bradstreet
 - Herzer Baptiste
 - Darling *penciled in/potential*
- Vision Zero renamed to **Street Trauma Prevention:**
 - Wilson
 - Gordon
 - Herzer Baptiste

Written Materials:
Presentation:

6. Future Agenda Items and Next Steps

- **August 20 – Evac Time Study: can there be a staff presentation?**

Motion to Adjourn: Bradstreet
Second Gordon
Approved by Acclamation
Adjournment 7:40 pm

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SECRETARY SIGNATURE

*Keith May*

8/21/2025