Department of Health, Housing & Community Services
Mental Health Commission

Behavioral Health Commission

Draft October Minutes

7:00 pm
North Berkeley SC 1901 Hearst

Regular Meeting
October 22, 2026

Members of the Public Present: Steven Tupper

Staff Present: Jamie Works-Wright, Jeff Buell, Princess Jenkins

1) **Call to Order at 7:11 pm – Acting Chair Lisa Teague**
   Commissioners Present: Maria Sol, Lisa Teague, Glenn Turner Patricia Fontana-Narell;
   Absent: Igor Tregub, Edward Opton Ian Hunt

2) **Preliminary Matters**
   a) **Approval of October 22, 2026, meeting agenda**
   M/S/C (Teague, Fontana-Narell) Motion to table #3 Review, interview and motion for new applicant, Hamilton Bohannon due to his illness.
   PASSED
   Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Sol, Teague, Turner, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Hunt, Opton, Tregub

   Approval of October 22, 2026, meeting agenda

   M/S/C (Teague, Sol) Motion to approve the agenda with the changes to the #3 Review, interview and motion for new applicant, Hamilton Bohannon.
   PASSED
   Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Sol, Teague, Turner, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Hunt, Opton, Tregub

   b. **Public Comment-** Three comments made

   c. **Approval of September 24, 2026, minutes**
   M/S/C (Teague, Fontana-Narell) Move that we approve the last month meeting minutes.
   PASSED
   Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Sol, Teague, Turner, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Hunt, Opton, Tregub

3) **Review, interview and motion for new applicant -Hamiliton Bohannon – Tabled to next month**

4) **Discuss and vote for future agenda items including topics that would be useful/interesting and create a list of organizations that might be informative for the Behavioral Health Commission. – No Motion Made**

5) **Discussion and planning of BHC long- and short-term goals - what do we want the commission to work toward for the next year** – Lisa Teague

   M/S/C (Teague, Sol) Motion to form an ad hoc committee formulated to discuss supportive housing temporary and permanent housing.
   PASSED
   Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Sol, Teague, Turner, **Noes: None; Abstentions: None; Absent:** Hunt, Opton, Tregub

6) **Discussion about Bonita House Closure – Patricia Fontana- Narell – No motion made**

7) **Discussion about the mission and purpose of this Commission regarding oversight of Behavioral Health Department programs, advocate for policies and program. - Fontana-Narell**

8) **Discuss possibly bringing a short BHC update to City Council once a month**
   M/S/C (Teague, Turner) Motion that the BHC make update to the City Council regarding a topic of our choice monthly.
   PASSED
   Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Sol, Teague, Turner, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Hunt, Opton, Tregub

9) **Mental Health Division Manager's Reports – provided by Jeff Buell – No motion**
   a) MH Division Manager Report
   b) Caseload Statistic 2026

*Motion to extend the meeting by 5 minutes to end at 9:05
   M/S/C (Teague, Sol) Motion that the BHC make update to the City Council regarding a topic of our choice monthly.

10) **Ad-Hoc committee reports**
   a) Data Notebook

11) **Discuss and vote to create ad-hoc groups**

12) **Adjournment 9:05**
   M/S/C (Teague, Turner) Motion to adjourn the meeting
   PASSED
   Ayes: Fontana-Narell, Sol, Teague, Turner, **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Hunt, Opton, Tregub

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