



Fair Campaign Practices Commission
Open Government Commission

MINUTES
January 15, 2026

**CONCURRENT REGULAR MEETING OF THE FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES
COMMISSION AND THE OPEN GOVERNMENT COMMISSION**

Civic Center
2180 Milvia St.
Berkeley, CA 94704
Cypress Room

Secretaries:
Samuel Harvey
Stephen Hylas
Lauren Packard

Members Present: Pajouablai Monica Lee, Janis Ching, Helene Silverberg,
Emmanuelle Soichet, Andrew Lazarus, Kyle Haugh, Kitt Saginor

Also present: Lauren Packard, Staff Secretary

1. **Call to Order**

Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

Roll call taken

3. **Land Acknowledgement**

4. **Approval of agenda**

- a. Public comment: None.
- b. Commission discussion and action

Motion to amend Item 17 to show that the February meeting will be on February 19th, and approve the agenda with this amendment (M/S/C: Ching/Haugh; Ayes: Lee, Ching, Silverberg, Soichet, Lazarus, Haugh, Saginor; Noes: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Shere, Sudharsan)

5. **Public Comment**

No speakers

6. **Approval of minutes for December 18, 2025 FCPC-OGC Regular Meeting**

- a. Public comment: none.
- b. Commission discussion and action

Motion to amend the title of the Minutes to remove the words "Preliminary Draft" and approve the minutes with this amendment (M/S/C: Silverberg/Ching; Ayes: Lee, Ching, Silverberg, Lazarus, Haugh, Saginor; Noes: none; Abstain: Soichet; Absent: Shere, Sudharsan)

Fair Campaign Practices Commission (FCPC) Agenda

7. **Reports**

- a. Report from Chair.
- b. Report from Staff.

8. **Report from Negotiating Subcommittee: Yes on Measure CC / No on Measure BB**

- a. Public comment: none.
- b. Item continued to February meeting.

9. **Report from ad hoc committee on possible revisions of BERA and FCPC Regulations; possible approval of proposed amendments to BERA for submission to City Council for adoption**

- a. Public comment: none.
- b. Commission discussion and action

Motion to approve the amendments in the draft presented and to submit them to City Council with the covering memo for their consideration and adoption (M/S/C: Haugh/Lee; Ayes: Lee, Ching, Silverberg, Soichet, Lazarus, Haugh, Saginor; Noes: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Shere, Sudharsan)

10. **Public financing matching funds disbursement process**

- a. Public comment: none.
- b. Item continued to February meeting.

Open Government Commission (OGC) Agenda

11. **Reports**
 - a. Report from Chair.
 - b. Report from Staff.
12. **Clerk referral of Non-Filing by Quarterly Lobbyist Filer Alexander Taplin**
 - a. Public comment: none.
 - b. Commission discussion.
13. **Public access to hybrid meetings, including policy discussion of topics raised by the public regarding access for persons with temporary or permanent disabilities, handling of written public comment, and the availability of live transcription and recordings**
 - a. Public comment: none.
 - b. Commission discussion.
14. **Complaint of Non-Compliance with Public Records Act (Johlyece Dotson)**
 - a. Public comment: none.
 - b. Commission discussion.
15. **Referral of non-filing quarterly lobbying reports: Yuri Sadiki-Torres**
 - a. Public comment: none.
 - b. Commission discussion and action

Motion to dismiss the referral pursuant to Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) Section 2.09.250(B) with the finding that no violation of the Lobbyist Registration Act occurred (M/S/C: Haugh/Ching; Ayes: Lee, Ching, Silverberg, Soichet, Lazarus, Haugh, Saginor; Noes: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Shere, Sudharsan)

16. **Lobbyist Registration Forms and Procedures**
 - a. Public comment: none.
 - b. Item continued to February meeting.

Joint FCPC-OGC Agenda

17. **Discussion regarding election of Commission officers at February 19, 2026 regular meeting**

- a. Public comment: none.
- b. Commission discussion.

18. **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn (M/S/C: Ching/Haugh; Ayes: Lee, Ching, Silverberg, Soichet, Lazarus, Haugh, Saginor; Noes: none; Abstain: none; Absent: Shere, Sudharsan)

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p..m.