

Peace and
Justice
Commission

PEACE & JUSTICE COMMISSION MEETING
Monday, August 31, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.
South Berkeley Senior Center
2939 Ellis St. Berkeley, CA 94703

Minutes

Meeting began at 6:35 PM. Tasha Tervalon as Secretary.
3 members of the public.

SECTION A. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Weisberg, Marasovic, Fink, Mencher, Lee, Morizawa, Lippman, McNeil, and Press

Arrived at 6:47: Commissioner Elias

Absent: Commissioners Phillips, Yasavul and Sani

Leave of Absence: Commissioners Cassidy and Taylor

2. **Motion to approve Commissioner Morizawa as interim Chair for the meeting of August 31, 2026.**

M/S/C: Lippman/McNeil

Ayes: Commissioners Weisberg, Marasovic, Fink, Mencher, Lee, Morizawa, Lippman, McNeil, and Press

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioners Phillips, Yasavul, Elias and Sani

Excused: Commissioners Cassidy and Taylor

3. Land Acknowledgement
4. Announcements
5. Review and approval of draft minutes: July 6, 2026, Peace and Justice Commission meeting.

Motion to approve the draft minutes from the July 6, 2026 meeting.

M/S/C: Press/Lippman

Ayes: Commissioners Weisberg, Marasovic, Fink, Mencher, Lee, Morizawa, Lippman, McNeil, and Press

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioners Phillips, Yasavul, Elias and Sani

Excused: Commissioners Cassidy and Taylor

6. Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve the August 31, 2026 Agenda

M/S/C: Weisberg/Mencher

Ayes: Commissioners Weisberg, Marasovic, Fink, Mencher, Lee, Morizawa, Lippman, McNeil, and Press

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioners Phillips, Yasavul, Elias and Sani

Excused: Commissioners Cassidy and Taylor

7. Comments from the Public on non-agenda items. Public Comment is subject to time limits applicable to all speakers as necessary.

8. Presentation from Live Free about the Berkeley Community Violence Intervention (GVIPP) program which serves as a collaborative initiative bringing together individuals and organizations to improve community safety. By coordinating resources and building strategic partnerships, the program addresses the impacts of gun violence and strengthens local intervention efforts. Presenter: Kentrell Killens, Live Free CA CVI Field Director

9. Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn at 9:30 pm.

M/S/C: Lippman/Press

Ayes: Commissioners Weisberg, Marasovic, Fink, Elias, Mencher, Lee, Morizawa, Lippman, McNeil, and Press

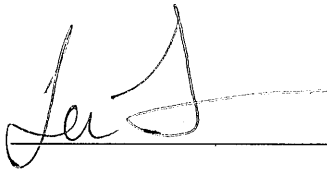
Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioners Phillips, Yasavul, and Sani

Excused: Commissioners Cassidy and Taylor

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tasha', written over a horizontal line.

Date: 10/6/26

Tasha Tervalon,

Secretary Peace and Justice Commission