



Department of Health,  
Housing & Community Services  
Mental Health Commission

## **Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Adopted Minutes – Special Meeting**

7:00 pm  
North Berkeley SC 1901 Hearst

Special Meeting  
April 30, 2025

**Members of the Public Present:** Patricia Fontana-Narell, Ian Hunt, Crystal Byrd, Carol M.

**Staff Present:** Jamie Works-Wright

### **1) Call to Order at 7:11 pm**

**Commissioners Present:** Edward Opton, Glenn Turner, Maria Sol, Lisa Teague, Ashley Gu, **Absent:** Ajay Krishnan, Monica Jones, Andrea Prichett, Igor Tregub

### **2) Preliminary Matters**

#### **a) Approval of the April 30, 2025 agenda**

**M/S/C (Gu, Opton)** Motion to approve the agenda with April 30, 2025 Special meeting

**PASSED**

**Ayes:** Gu, Opton, Sol, Teague, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Krishnan, Tregub, Prichett

#### **b) Public Comment-** 1 public comments

#### **c) Approval of the March 27, 2025 Minutes**

**M/S/C (Gu, Turner)** Motion to accept the minutes

**PASSED**

**Ayes:** Gu, Opton, Sol, Teague, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Krishnan, Tregub, Prichett

### **3) Proposed Motion: Request City Council recommend local participation in local based innovate behavioral health innovations – Edward Opton – Tabled to bring back in May 2025**

### **4) Review, Discuss and Actions regarding the updated By-Laws for Berkeley Behavioral Health Commission.**

**M/S/C (Turner, Gu) Move that we accept Commissioner Opton amended changes from Article 1-3 with additions to Article III, adding permanent and supporting housing and accepting the remaining bylaws.**

**PASSED**

**Ayes:** Gu, Opton, Sol, Teague, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Krishnan, Tregub, Prichett

**5) Review, discuss and actions for application for appointment to Berkeley behavioral health commission.**

**M/S/C (Gu, Teague) Move to accept the application**

**PASSED**

**Ayes:** Gu, Opton, Sol, Teague, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Krishnan, Tregub, Prichett

**6) Agenda items for commission meetings- Jamie Works-Wight, Commission Secretary – No Motion made**

**7) Interview and vote for new applicant – Ian Hunt**

**M/S/C (Gu, Turner) Motion to accept Ian Hunt’s application to send to city council**

**PASSED**

**Ayes:** Gu, Opton, Sol, Teague, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Krishnan, Tregub, Prichett

**8) Interview and vote for new applicant – Patricia Fontana-Narell**

**M/S/C (Gu, Turner) Motion to accept Patricia Fontana–Narell’s application to send to city council**

**PASSED**

**Ayes:** Gu, Opton, Sol, Teague, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Krishnan, Tregub, Prichett

**9) Vote to re-appoint Commissioner Glenn Turner to the Mental Health Commission**

**M/S/C (Gu, Teague) Move to re-appoint Glenn Turner to the MHC and send to City Council for approval**

**PASSED**

**Ayes:** Gu, Opton, Sol, Teague, Turner; **Noes:** None; **Abstentions:** None; **Absent:** Jones, Krishnan, Tregub, Prichett

**\*8:30 Commissioner Gu appoints Commissioner Teague to chair the remaining meeting discussions**

**10) Mental Health Manager’s Report and Caseload Statistics – provided by Jeff Buell – No Motion Made**

**a) MHC Manager Report**

**b) Caseload Statistic April 2025**

**11) Subcommittee Reports – No actions made**

- a) **Membership Subcommittee – Discuss recruitment for Veteran’s and Education representative**
- b) **Financial Subcommittee**
- c) **Care Court Subcommittee**
- d) **Evaluation Subcommittee**
  - i) **Discussion and Possible Action on Mental Health Commission Annual Report**

**12) Adjournment – 8:43 PM**

**Minutes submitted by:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Jamie Works-Wright, Commission Secretary