



Berkeley Homeless  
Commission

## MEETING MINUTES

April 10, 2019

1. Roll Call: 7:01 PM

**Present:** Hill, Kealoha-Blake, Marasovic

**Absent:** Behm-Steinberg (leave of absence), Hirpara (leave of absence)

**Staff:** Radu

**Public:** Five

2. Comments from the Public: Two.

3. Approval of Minutes for meeting of March 13, 2019.

**Action:** M/S/C Marasovic/Kealoha-Blake to approve the minutes of 3/13/19 as written.

**Vote:** Ayes: Kealoha-Blake, Marasovic.

*Noes:* None. *Abstain:* Hill. *Absent:* Behm-Steinberg, Hirpara.

### Update/Action Items

4. Agenda Approval

**Action:** M/S/C Marasovic/ Kealoha-Blake to amend the agenda for 3/13/19 by placing item #9 (Discussion and possible action on recommending inclusionary housing over Housing Trust Fund monies for new developments) after item #7 (Discussion and possible action on the Homeless Youth Policy referral response report, including discussion on Youth Works and First Source, two City-operated employment programs), and to approve the agenda as written.

**Vote:** Ayes: Hill, Kealoha-Blake, Marasovic.

*Noes:* None. *Abstain:* None. *Absent:* Behm-Steinberg, Hirpara.

5. Staff and Chair updates.

Discussion; no action taken.

6. Updates from Commission Subcommittees, including possible action by the full Commission

Discussion; no action taken.

7. Discussion and possible action on the Homeless Youth Policy referral response report.

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Discussion; no action taken. Item will be re-agendized for the 5/8/19 meeting.

8. Discussion and possible action on recommending inclusionary housing over Housing Trust Fund monies for new developments.

**Action:** M/S/C Marasovic/Hill that the Homeless Commission recommends that Council direct or refer to the City Manager, as it sees fit, to conduct an analysis of the current inclusionary housing/affordable housing mitigation fee structure and return to Council with the benefits/detriments of the following options: 1. Requiring inclusionary housing over the affordable housing mitigation fee; 2. Requiring an increased number of inclusionary units when the inclusionary option is utilized; 3. Providing incentives to developers to elect the inclusionary unit option over the affordable housing mitigation fee option; 4. Identifying designated geographical boundaries or Council districts which would require only inclusionary housing in new developments and not permit the affordable housing mitigation fee in those geographical boundaries or Council districts; and 5. Strengthening the ordinance for inclusionary units to mitigate homelessness by ensuring access of units for extremely low-income persons.

The Homeless Commission recommends that an analysis include updated data on the number of developments initiated in the last three years showing the number of inclusionary units added and the amount of affordable housing mitigation fees paid. and to the extent feasible, a ten year projection of the numbers of planned developments and an analysis of the potential number of inclusionary units or amount of affordable housing mitigation fees anticipated. An analysis of various options should also consider a sunset clause so that amendments to current law would require revisiting the impact of any changes.

**Vote:** Ayes: Hill, Kealoha-Blake, Marasovic.

Noes: None. *Abstain:* None. *Absent:* Behm-Steinberg, Hirpara.

9. Addressing crime by homeless persons and its impact on other homeless persons, including stigma, as well as the impact on the general community.

Discussion; no action taken. Item will be re-agendized for the 5/8/19 meeting.

10. Discussion and possible action on housing subsidy discrimination [ Attachment 5].

Discussion; no action taken. Item will be re-agendized for the 5/8/19 meeting.

11. Continued input to Council on encampments, including vehicle encampments and peer-driven models, and expanded shelter access

Discussion; no action taken.

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12. Propose agenda items for next meeting.

- Discussion on transportation accommodation to shelters and resources.
- General discussion around encampments as homesteading.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Minutes Approved on: 5/8/19

Peter Radu, Commission Secretary: Peter T Radu