



PROCLAMATION CALLING A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL

In accordance with the authority in me vested, I do hereby call the Berkeley City Council in special session as follows:

Tuesday, July 21, 2020

4:00 P.M.

JESSE ARREGUIN, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

DISTRICT 1 – RASHI KESARWANI
DISTRICT 2 – CHERYL DAVILA
DISTRICT 3 – BEN BARTLETT
DISTRICT 4 – KATE HARRISON

DISTRICT 5 – SOPHIE HAHN
DISTRICT 6 – SUSAN WENGRAF
DISTRICT 7 – RIGEL ROBINSON
DISTRICT 8 – LORI DROSTE

PUBLIC ADVISORY: THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH VIDEOCONFERENCE AND TELECONFERENCE

Pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, this meeting of the City Council will be conducted exclusively through teleconference and Zoom videoconference. Please be advised that pursuant to the Executive Order and the Shelter-in-Place Order, and to ensure the health and safety of the public by limiting human contact that could spread the COVID-19 virus, there will not be a physical meeting location available.

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To join by phone: Dial **1-669-900-9128** and enter Meeting ID: **890 3198 3199**. If you wish to comment during the public comment portion of the agenda, Press *9 and wait to be recognized by the Chair.

To submit an e-mail comment during the meeting to be read aloud during public comment, email clerk@cityofberkeley.info with the Subject Line in this format: "PUBLIC COMMENT ITEM ##." Please observe a 150 word limit. Time limits on public comments will apply. Written comments will be entered into the public record.

Please be mindful that the teleconference will be recorded as any Council meeting is recorded, and all other rules of procedure and decorum will apply for Council meetings conducted by teleconference or videoconference.

This meeting will be conducted in accordance with the Brown Act, Government Code Section 54953. Any member of the public may attend this meeting. Questions regarding this matter may be addressed to Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900. The City Council may take action related to any subject listed on the Agenda. Meetings will adjourn at 11:00 p.m. - any items outstanding at that time will be carried over to a date/time to be specified.

Preliminary Matters

Roll Call:

Public Comment - Limited to items on this agenda only

Action Calendar

The public may comment on each item listed on the agenda for action as the item is taken up. For items moved to the Action Calendar from the Consent Calendar or Information Calendar, persons who spoke on the item during the Consent Calendar public comment period may speak again at the time the matter is taken up during the Action Calendar.

The Presiding Officer will request that persons wishing to speak use the "raise hand" function to determine the number of persons interested in speaking at that time. Up to ten (10) speakers may speak for two minutes. If there are more than ten persons interested in speaking, the Presiding Officer may limit the public comment for all speakers to one minute per speaker. Speakers are permitted to yield their time to one other speaker, however no one speaker shall have more than four minutes. The Presiding Officer may, with the consent of persons representing both sides of an issue, allocate a block of time to each side to present their issue.

Action items may be reordered at the discretion of the Chair with the consent of Council.

1. Placing Charter Amendment Measure on the November 3, 2020 Ballot Related to Full-Time Status and Salaries for the Mayor and Councilmembers

(Continued from June 30, 2020)

From: City Manager

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution submitting an Amendment to Article V of the City Charter regarding the full-time status and salaries for the Mayor and City Council to a vote of the electors at the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election.

2. Designate, by motion, specific members of the Council to file ballot measure arguments on this measure as provided for in Elections Code Section 9282.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900

2a. Placing Charter Amendment Measure on the November 3, 2020 Ballot to Amend Multiple Administrative Provisions

From: City Manager

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution placing charter amendment measure on the November 3, 2020 Ballot to repeal the residency requirement for sworn members of the Berkeley Fire Department, conform the eligibility requirements of the Redistricting Commission with state law, and change to gender-neutral language through the text.

2. Designate, by motion, specific members of the Council to file ballot measure arguments on this measure as provided for in Elections Code Section 9282.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900

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2b. Placing Charter Amendment Measure on the November 3, 2020 Ballot to Repeal the Residency Requirement for Sworn Members of the Berkeley Fire Department *(Continued from June 30, 2020)*

From: City Manager

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution submitting an Amendment to Article VII of the City Charter regarding the residency requirement for sworn members of the Fire Department to a vote of the electors at the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election.
2. Designate, by motion, specific members of the Council to file ballot measure arguments on this measure as provided for in Elections Code Section 9282.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900

3. Placing a Special Tax Measure on the November 3, 2020 Ballot to Fund Firefighting, Emergency Medical Response and Communications and Wildfire Prevention and Preparedness

From: City Manager

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution submitting a ballot measure to fund firefighting, emergency medical response and communications, and wildfire prevention and preparedness to a vote of the electors at the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election.
2. Designate, by motion, specific members of the Council to file ballot measure arguments on this measure as provided for in Elections Code Section 9282.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900

4. Placing a Tax Measure on the November 3, 2020 Ballot to Adopt a Tax on Transportation Network Companies

From: City Manager

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution submitting a ballot measure to adopt a tax on Transportation Network Companies to a vote of the electors at the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election.
2. Designate, by motion, specific members of the Council to file ballot measure arguments on this measure as provided for in Elections Code Section 9282.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900

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5. Placing a Tax Measure on the November 3, 2020 Ballot to Increase the Utility Users Tax to Pay for General Municipal Services and Establish a Climate Equity Action Fund to Support Measures to Reduce Local Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Air Pollution

From: City Manager

Recommendation:

1. Adopt a Resolution submitting a ballot measure to increase the Utility Users Tax to pay for general municipal services and to establish a Climate Equity Action Fund to support measures to reduce local greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution to a vote of the electors at the November 3, 2020 General Municipal Election.
2. Designate, by motion, specific members of the Council to file ballot measure arguments on this measure as provided for in Elections Code Section 9282.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Mark Numainville, City Clerk, (510) 981-6900

6. Recommendation to Prepare a City Ballot Measure to Create a Climate Action Fund, in response to the Fossil Fuel Free Berkeley referral (Continued from June 30, 2020) (Item contains supplemental material.)

From: Energy Commission

Recommendation: The Commission recommends that the City Council develop a referendum and seek approval for it on the 2020 ballot to create a Climate Action Fund, which would support actions to achieve the Berkeley Climate Action Plan, to become Fossil Fuel Free, and to respond to the Climate Emergency.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Billi Romain, Commission Secretary, (510) 981-7400

Adjournment

I hereby request that the City Clerk of the City of Berkeley cause personal notice to be given to each member of the Berkeley City Council on the time and place of said meeting, forthwith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Berkeley to be affixed on this 17th day of July, 2020.



Jesse Arreguin, Mayor

Public Notice – this Proclamation serves as the official agenda for this meeting.

ATTEST:



Date: July 17, 2020

Mark Numainville, City Clerk

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