

**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL FACILITIES, INFRASTRUCTURE,
TRANSPORTATION, ENVIRONMENT & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, March 2, 2023
1:00 PM**

2180 Milvia Street, 6th Floor - Redwood Room

Committee Members:

Councilmembers Terry Taplin, Kate Harrison, and Rigel Robinson
Alternate: Councilmember Mark Humbert

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MINUTES

Roll Call: 1:05 p.m.

Present: Taplin, Robinson, Harrison

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters: 1 speaker.

Election of Chair

Action: M/S/C (Robinson/Taplin) to elect Councilmember Harrison as Chair.

Vote: All Ayes.

Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Committee's consideration and approval.

1. Minutes - November 3, 2022

Action: M/S/C (Robinson/Taplin) to approve the November 3, 2022 minutes as presented.

Vote: All Ayes.

Committee Action Items

The public may comment on each item listed on the agenda for action as the item is taken up. The Chair will determine the number of persons interested in speaking on each item. Up to ten (10) speakers may speak for two minutes. If there are more than ten persons interested in speaking, the Chair 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.

Following review and discussion of the items listed below, the Committee may continue an item to a future committee meeting, or refer the item to the City Council.

Committee Action Items

- 2. Adopt an Ordinance Adding a New Chapter 12.01 to the Berkeley Municipal Code Establishing Emergency Greenhouse Gas Limits, Process for Updated Climate Action Plan, Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Regional Collaboration**
From: Councilmember Harrison (Author), Councilmember Bartlett (Co-Sponsor) and Councilmember Hahn (Co-Sponsor)
Referred: November 15, 2021
Due: February 28, 2023
Recommendation: 1. Adopt an ordinance adding a new Chapter 12.01 to the Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) establishing Emergency Greenhouse Gas Limits with an effective date of [], 2022.
2. Refer to the FY23-24 Budget Process \$[] consistent with implementing the requirements of Sections 12.01.040, 12.01.050, 12.01.060.
Financial Implications: See report
Contact: Kate Harrison, Councilmember, District 4, (510) 981-7140
Action: 2 speakers. Due date of the item extended to May 31, 2023. Item continued to a future meeting.
- 3. Audit Status Reports: Fleet Replacement Fund Short Millions & Rocky Road: Berkeley Streets At Risk and Significantly Underfunded**
From: City Manager
Referred: November 3, 2022
Due: April 26, 2023
Contact: Liam Garland, Public Works, (510) 981-6300
Action: 4 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held. Item continued to a future meeting.

Committee Action Items

4. 51 Bus Rapid Transit

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author)

Referred: November 28, 2022

Due: May 15, 2023

Recommendation:

1. Refer to the City Manager the development of an implementation and community engagement plan to install Bus Rapid Transit including dedicated bus lanes, transit signal priority, elevated platforms, and enhanced sections, along the AC Transit 51B route along University Ave from Sixth St to Shattuck Ave and along Shattuck Avenue from University to Durant, with engagement centering pedestrian, cyclist, transit and mobility justice advocates, the disability rights community, local faith communities, merchants, neighboring residential communities inclusive of tenants, seniors, and students, and historically marginalized communities.

2. Refer \$300k to the FY 24-25 Budget Process to conduct a Complete Street Corridor Study antecedent to the installation of a cycle track along University from 6th to Oxford consistent with the adopted 2017 Bicycle Plan and integrating pedestrian amenities consistent with the Pedestrian Plan. As per the 2017 Bicycle Plan, the study will be evaluated in the context of the modal priorities established by the Berkeley General Plan Transportation Element and the Alameda County Transportation Commission Countywide Multimodal Arterial Plan.

3. Refer \$300k to the FY 24-25 Budget Process to conduct a Complete Street Corridor Study antecedent to the installation of a cycle track along Shattuck from Virginia to Woolsey consistent with the adopted 2017 Bicycle Plan and integrating pedestrian amenities consistent with the Pedestrian Plan. As per the 2017 Bicycle Plan, the study will be evaluated in the context of the modal priorities established by the Berkeley General Plan Transportation Element and the Alameda County Transportation Commission Countywide Multimodal Arterial Plan. It will be coordinated with proposed improvements to transit performance on this Primary Transit Route, such as bus boarding islands, transit-only lanes, transit signal priority/queue jump lanes, far-side bus stop relocations, and other improvements as described in the AC Transit Major Corridor Study.

4. Refer to the FYx \$X to install quick-build bus station improvements along the 51b route.

5. Initiate consultation with AC Transit and UC Berkeley Bear Transit as soon as possible on the planning, scoping, and implementation of these items.

Financial Implications: See report

Contact: Terry Taplin, Councilmember, District 2, (510) 981-7120

Action: 8 speakers. Presentation made and discussion held. Item continued to a future meeting.

Unscheduled Items

These items are not scheduled for discussion or action at this meeting. The Committee may schedule these items to the Action Calendar of a future Committee meeting.

5. **Audit Status Report: Underfunded Mandate: Resources, Strategic Plan, and Communication Needed to Continue Progress towards the Year 2020 Zero Waste Goal**
From: City Manager
Referred: November 3, 2022
Due: April 26, 2023
Contact: Liam Garland, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

6. **Audit Status Report: Unified Vision of Zero Waste Activities Will Help Align Service Levels with Billing and Ensure Customer Equity**
From: City Manager
Referred: November 3, 2022
Due: April 26, 2023
Contact: Liam Garland, Public Works, (510) 981-6300

Items for Future Agendas

- None

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Robinson/Taplin) to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: All Ayes

Adjourned at 3:11 p.m.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct record of the Facilities, Infrastructure, Transportation, Environment & Sustainability Committee meeting held on March 2, 2023.

Rose Thomsen, Deputy City Clerk

Communications

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