

**BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL HEALTH, LIFE ENRICHMENT, EQUITY &
COMMUNITY COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, October 12, 2022
2:00 PM**

Committee Members:

Councilmembers Rashi Kesarwani, Ben Bartlett, and Sophie Hahn
Alternate: Councilmember Terry Taplin

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MINUTES

Roll Call: 2:15 p.m. Present: Bartlett, Hahn. Absent: Kesarwani.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters: 3 speakers.

Minutes for Approval

Draft minutes for the Committee's consideration and approval.

1. Minutes - September 22, 2022

Action: M/S/C (Bartlett/Hahn) to approve the minutes of September 22, 2022.

Vote: Ayes – Bartlett, Hahn; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Kesarwani.

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.

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

2. Office of Racial Equity: Re-Entry Employment and Guaranteed Income Programs (Item contains revised material)

From: Councilmember Taplin (Author), Councilmember Harrison (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Hahn (Co-Sponsor), Councilmember Robinson (Co-Sponsor)

Referred: May 16, 2022

Due: October 31, 2022

Recommendation: Refer to the City Manager:

(1) To establish a Re-entry Employment Program, leveraging county/state/federal resources to the extent feasible, including but not limited to County Criminal Justice Realignment (AB-109) funding for adult reentry services, and

(2) To study the feasibility of and seek grant funding and/or other sources of funding for a Guaranteed Income pilot program, following operational recommendations in the Reimagining Public Safety process. Considerations for target populations in pilot phases may include local Equity Indicators measuring racial justice and social equity outcomes such as poverty and financial health, educational disparities, environmental and mental health, housing quality, infrastructure, and public safety.

(3) In addition, the City Manager's Office, and subsequently an Office of Racial Equity as appropriate, shall periodically report on outcomes and performance metrics, administrative capacity, and fiscal sustainability for partnering CBOs and other NGOs performing violence prevention services, adult reentry programs, mental health crisis responses, and any other services under the auspices of Reimagining Public Safety.

Financial Implications: See report

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

Committee Action Items

Action: 3 speakers. M/S/C (Bartlett/Hahn) to schedule the item for a future meeting.
Vote: Ayes – Bartlett, Hahn; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Kesarwani.

Unscheduled Items

- None

Items for Future Agendas

- None

Adjournment

Action: M/S/C (Bartlett/Hahn) to adjourn the meeting.
Vote: Ayes – Bartlett, Hahn; Noes – None; Abstain – None; Absent – Kesarwani.

Adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct record of the Health, Life Enrichment, Equity & Community Committee meeting held on October 12, 2022.

Neetu Salwan, Assistant City Clerk

Communications

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