

## SUMMARY

### BERKELEY CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2005

5:00 P.M.

Council Chambers, 2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Teleconference Location – 1636 Channing Way, Berkeley, CA

#### Preliminary Matters

**Roll Call:** 5:05 p.m. All present.

#### Work Session

##### 1. Presentation: Disaster Preparation Update

###### a. Disaster Preparedness Update and Workplan *(To be delivered)*

**From:** City Manager

Contact: Phil Kamlarz, City Manager, 981-7000

###### b. From: Disaster Council

**Recommendation:** Direct the City Manager to continue the current momentum by retaining and supporting the work of City staff coordinating work in each of the following program areas:

1) Office of Emergency Services Revitalization; 2) Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) and the Neighborhood Preparedness Program; 3) Sheltering; 4) Unreinforced Masonry Buildings; 5) Public Warning and Communication Systems; 6) Small Business Outreach; 7) Emergency Water Delivery System; and 8) Transfer Tax Funding for Seismic Retrofits.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Gil Dong, Commission Secretary, 981-5502

###### c. From: Fire Safety Commission

**Recommendation:** Direct the City Manager to: 1) expedite completion of Fire Station No. 7; 2) limit or prohibit on-street parking as necessary to maintain unimpeded access for emergency vehicles; 3) expand the neighborhood emergency cache program; 4) fund \$100,000 for path improvements in the hills for emergency egress; 5) maintain and expand informational outreach on fire safety to homeowners in the critical fire area of the Berkeley Hills and mail fire safety information to each new resident in the Berkeley Hills as homes change hands; 6) maintain and promote the present green can and chipper programs; and 7) review and modify the Fire Department's list of fire-suppression gear that can be purchased through the City by homeowners, specifically considering the sale of 2-1/2" to 1" fire hose adapters to persons who have completed fire suppression training.

**Financial Implications:** See report

Contact: Gil Dong, Secretary, Fire Safety Commission, 981-5502

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**d. From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Refer the commission items to the budget process.

Contact: Debra Pryor, Fire and Emergency Services, 981-5500

**Action:** Presentation made and discussion held with direction to present an update in three months.

**2. Presentation: Technologies and Arts for Disabled Children and Adults**

**From: Councilmember Spring**

Contact: Dona Spring, Councilmember District 4, 981-7140

**Action:** Presentation made and discussion held.

## Public Comment

**Public Comment:** 2 speakers.

## Supplemental Reports and Communications 1

**To Be Delivered Item 1a: Disaster Preparedness Update and Workplan**

1. Report, submitted by the City Manager and Fire Department

## Supplemental Reports and Communications 2

**Item 1a: Disaster Preparedness Update and Workplan**

2. Presentation Materials, submitted by the City Manager and Fire Department

## Supplemental Reports and Communications 3

**Item 1a: Disaster Preparedness Update and Workplan**

3. Revised Presentation Materials, submitted by the Fire Department
4. Community Emergency Response Training January/February 2006 Schedule, submitted by the Fire Department

**Item 2: Presentation: Technologies and Arts for Disabled Children and Adults**

5. Presentation Materials, submitted by Dmitri Belser, Center for Accessible Technology

## Adjournment

Adjourned at 7:09 p.m.