

# MINUTES

## AGENDA COMMITTEE

MONDAY, JULY 12, 2004

1. **Roll Call:** 2:32 p.m.  
Present: Councilmembers Maio, Hawley and Mayor Bates.
2. **Public Comment:** Barbara Gilbert, Nancy Holland, Sharon Hudson, Sennet Williams, Neil Garu-Sinclair, Merrilie Mitchell, Vickie Tamaradze
3. **Approval of Minutes of Meeting of July 6, 2004.**  
**Action:** Moved, seconded, carried (Maio/Hawley; Abstain – Bates) to approve the minutes.
4. **Review and Action on draft Housing Authority Agenda for July 20, 2004.**  
**Action:** All items approved for placement on the agenda.
5. **Review and Action on draft City Council Agenda for July 20, 2004.**  
**Action:** All items approved for placement on the agenda with the following additions, deletions or changes:

**Item 24 Daylighting of Strawberry Creek**

**From: Councilmember Spring**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution supporting the daylighting of Strawberry Creek in the downtown, if feasibility is demonstrated.

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

**Action:** Moved to Action by Councilmember Hawley.

**Item 33 Ballot Measure: New Local Transit System Referendum**

**From: Councilmember Worthington**

**Recommendation:** Place a referendum on the November ballot as to whether Berkeley should plan for a new local rail transit system.

Contact: Kriss Worthington, Councilmember District 7, 981-7170

**Action:** Moved to Action by Councilmember Hawley.

**Item 44 Contract: Draft Southside Plan Environmental Impact Report Consultant Services**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments with LSA Associates, Inc. for an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Draft Southside Plan, in an amount not to exceed \$329,328 from July 21, 2004 to June 30, 2006.

**Financial Implications:** See report.

Contact: Dan Marks, Planning, 981-7400

**Action:** Moved to Consent by Mayor Bates.

The following additional items were submitted for placement on the Council agenda:

**Jobs Consortium**

**From: City Manager**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to take emergency action, if necessary, to provide funding up to \$50,000 to the Jobs Consortium to preserve the job training programs for the homeless.

**Financial Implications:** See report.

**Contact:** Stephen Barton, Housing, 981-5400

**Action:** Approved for placement on the agenda

**Fee Waiver: Downtown Berkeley Association's Front Row Festival 2004**

**From: Councilmember Spring**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution allocating \$2000 from the fee waiver fund to the Downtown Berkeley Association's Front Row Festival 2004 and refer their requests for additional fee waivers to the City Manager.

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

**Action:** Approved for placement on the agenda.

**Clarification of Additional Funding for Arts Grants** *(to be delivered)*

**From: Councilmember Maio**

**Recommendation:** Clarify policy on providing additional funding for Arts Grants.

**Contact:** Linda Maio, Councilmember District 1, 981-7110

**Action:** Approved for placement on the agenda.

**Neighborhood Traffic Calming Projects**

**From: Councilmember Spring**

**Recommendation:** Adopt a Resolution allocating \$25,000 from the funds committed in the Public Safety Building mitigation agreement for semi-circles in the McKinley and Addison area in addition to the proposed six traffic calming circles.

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

**Action:** Approved for placement on agenda as a companion to the City Manager and Transportation Commission items.

**6. Review and Action on scheduling of Calendar, Public Hearings, Presentations and Work Session topics.**

a. Master Calendar

**Action:** Housing Authority meetings for July 20, 2004 will begin at 5:00 p.m. instead of 6:30 p.m.

b. Land Use Matters

**Action:** None.

**7. Discussion and Action regarding process for review of the Agenda Committee and amendments to Council Rules of Procedure.**

**8. Adjournment: 3:10 p.m.**

**9. Supplemental Communication**

**American Baptist Seminary of the West-WIN-WIN-WIN**

1. Sharon Hudson

**Local Rail Transit System**

1. Sennet Williams

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Agenda Committee meeting of July 12, 2004 as approved by the Berkeley City Council Agenda Committee.

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Sherry M. Kelly, City Clerk