

MINUTES
AGENDA COMMITTEE
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2004

- 1. Roll Call:** 2:35 p.m.
Present: Councilmembers Hawley and Maio
Absent: Mayor Bates
- 2. Public Comment:** Jim Sharp, Daniella Thompson, Barbara Gilbert
- 3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of November 8, 2004.**
Action: Moved, seconded, carried (Maio/Hawley; Absent - Bates) to approve the minutes.
- 4. Review and Action on Draft Work Session Agenda for December 7, 2004.**
Action: All items approved for placement on the agenda.
- 5. Review and Action on Draft Redevelopment Agency Agenda for December 7, 2004.**

Action: All items approved for placement on the agenda with the following additions, deletions or changes:

Item 3: Grant: Caltrans Grant for Berkeley Rail Stop

From: Executive Officer

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Executive Officer to: 1) accept and appropriate agreements and any amendments thereto for \$641,000 in funds granted by the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans) under the Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA) Program to fund improvements at the Berkeley Rail Stop/Transit Plaza; and 2) execute a Contribution Agreement with Caltrans for the Berkeley Rail Stop/Transit Plaza improvements.

Financial Implications: Grant Revenue - \$641,000

Contact: Dan Marks, Planning, 981-7400

Action: Removed from agenda by City Attorney.

- 6. Review and Action on Draft City Council Agenda for December 7, 2004.**
Action: All items approved for placement on the agenda with the following additions, deletions or changes:

Item 7: Contract: Air Rights at Ashby BART – Ed Roberts Campus

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments with Ed Roberts Campus (ERC) to assign the City's option to the air rights over the eastern parking lot of the Ashby BART station through May 2007, concurrent with the option agreement between BART and ERC.

Financial Implications: Loss of value of air rights.

Contact: Dan Marks, Planning, 981-7400

Action: Removed from agenda by City Manager.

Item 19: FY 2005 First Quarter Report and Budget Update and Priority Setting

From: City Manager

Recommendation: 1) Adopt first reading of Ordinance adding Chapter 12.29 to the Berkeley Municipal Code (BMC) to establish the Precautionary Principle to guide decisions that have potential impact on public health, the environment, natural resources and sustainability and 2) Direct the City Manager to provide a description, timetable and prioritization by December 2005 regarding areas where the Precautionary Principle will be integrated into City decision-making.

Contact: Tracy Veseley, City Manager, 981-7000

Action: Priority Setting portion of this report extracted and moved to Information Calendar by City Manager.

Added Item to Information Calendar:

Consolidation of Fire Services with Alameda County Fire Department

From: City Manager

Contact: Tracy Vesely, City Manager, 981-7000

Added to Item 23 on Action Calendar:

Selection of Vice Mayor and Agenda Committee Members

From: Councilmembers Spring, Olds and Worthington

Recommendation: Vote to return to the practice and pass a policy of rotating the position of Vice Mayor starting with Councilmember Linda Maio as Vice Mayor for the first term.

Contact: Dona Spring, Councilmember District 4, 981-7140, Betty Olds, Councilmember District 6, 981-7160, and Kriss Worthington, Councilmember District 7, 981-7170.

7. Review and Action on Scheduling of Calendar, Public Hearings, Presentations and Work Session topics.

a. Master Calendar

Action: Civilianization of Police Department placed on Master Calendar for date uncertain.

b. Land Use Matters

Action: None.

8. Discussion and Action Regarding Evaluation of Agenda Committee.

Action: None.

9. Adjournment: 2:52 p.m.

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Agenda Committee meeting of November 29, 2004 as approved by the Berkeley City Council Agenda Committee.

Sara T. Cox, Acting City Clerk