

MINUTES
AGENDA COMMITTEE
MONDAY, MAY 9, 2005

1. Roll Call: 2:31 p.m.

Present: Mayor Bates, Councilmembers Maio and Wozniak.

Absent: None.

2. Public Comment: Barbara Gilbert, Robert Reynolds, Pamela Tatz and Rio Bauce.

3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting of May 2, 2005.

Action: Moved, seconded, carried (Maio/Wozniak) to approve the minutes.

4. Review and Action on Draft Joint Redevelopment Agency and City Council Special Agenda for May 17, 2005.

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

Sale of 1631 Fifth Street (*Held over from April 26, 2005 by Agency member Maio*)

a. From: Executive Officer

Recommendation: Provide direction to staff to sell the property at 1631 Fifth Street at market value and use the proceeds to develop affordable housing.

Financial Implications: Low- and Moderate-Income Housing Fund Revenue – \$275,000.

Contact: Dan Marks, Planning, 981-7400

b. From: West Berkeley Project Area Commission (PAC)

Recommendation: Transfer the redevelopment agency-owned real property located at 1631 Fifth Street to an organization that meets the selection criteria.

Contact: Iris Starr, Secretary, 981-7520

Action: Held over to date to be determined at the request of Councilmember Maio.

5. Review and Action on Draft Housing Authority Agenda for May 17, 2005.

Action: All items approved for placement on the agenda.

6. Review and Action on Draft City Council Agenda for May 17, 2005.

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

Youth Voting

From: Councilmembers Moore and Worthington

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution: 1) supporting state legislation permitting local choice in which cities and counties will be permitted to designate a voting age of 16 years or older in city or county elections; and 2) preparing an amendment to the City Charter to be presented to the voters in Berkeley that would allow a resident of 16 years of age or older the right to vote in city elections, if and when the state allows this action.

Financial Implications: \$10,000 to place the charter amendment on the ballot.

Contact: Darryl Moore, Councilmember District 2, 981-7120 and Kriss Worthington, Councilmember District 7, 981-7170

Action: Held over to May 24, 2005.

Department of Toxic Substance Control's Proposal for Soil and Groundwater Contamination Cleanup at LBNL

From: Councilmember Spring

Recommendation: Request the City Manager to: 1) prepare comments on the California Department of Toxic Substances Control's (DTSC) proposed soil and groundwater cleanup plans for the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (LBNL) to be presented orally at a public hearing on Thursday, May 26, 2005, 6:30 p.m. at the North Berkeley Senior Center and submitted in writing during the public comment period from April 25 to June 8, 2005; and 2) write to the DTSC requesting that they establish a Citizen Watershed Advisory Group including members of BLUE, Friends of Strawberry Creek Watershed, Urban Creeks Council, Committee to Minimize Toxic Waste, and residents living on open sections of Strawberry Creek to oversee the corrective measures implementation phase.

Financial Implications: None.

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

Action: Held over to May 24, 2005.

Added to Action Calendar:

FY 2006 & FY 2007 Proposed Budget

From: City Manager

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing on the FY 2006 & FY 2007 Proposed Budget. A second public hearing will be held on June 21, 2005. Council will adopt the FY 2006 & FY 2007 Biennial Budget on June 28, 2005.

Financial Implications: See report.

Contact: Tracey Vesely, City Manager, 981-7000

Commission Meeting Schedule Proposal

From: Mayor Bates and Councilmember Maio

Recommendation: Consolidate Disaster Council and Fire and Safety Commissions; maintain Solid Waste and Public Works Commissions as separate entities; and, revise commission meeting schedules according to one of four proposed meeting schedules.

Financial Implications: Reduced staff time and resulting cost savings.

Contact: Tom Bates, Mayor, 981-7100 and Linda Maio, Councilmember District 1, 981-7110

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

a. Master Calendar

Action: None.

b. Land Use Matters

Action: None.

8. Adjournment: 3:04 p.m.