



Peace and Justice Commission

PEACE & JUSTICE COMMISSION AGENDA

North Berkeley Senior Center
1901 Hearst Avenue
Berkeley, CA

Monday
January 9, 2006
7:00 PM

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SECTION A. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

1. Roll Call
2. Announcements
3. Comments from the Public
4. Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meetings of October 17 and November 7, 2005.

SECTION B. ACTION ITEMS

Old Business

5. Hurricanes Katrina and Rita -- Justice issues uncovered by the hurricane, including (but not limited to): government actions before and after the storm hit; social disparities and other conditions make apparent in the aftermath; Berkeley's involvement in the rescue and recovery efforts; and resettlement of Gulf Coast residents in our city: Discussion and formulation of recommendations to City Council (*from Commissioner Freedkin*).

New Business

6. Discussion on immigration benefits for victims of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, and formulation of a recommendation to the City Council (*from Commissioner Beltran*).
7. Discussion on Recent statements of Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, president of Iran, and Mohamed Mahdi Akef, leader of the Muslim Brotherhood party in Egypt, denying the historical truth of the Holocaust; and formulation of recommendation to City Council (*from Commissioner Sherman*).
8. Discussion on Calendar Year 2006 Commission Meeting Schedule and Work Plan (*from Commissioner Freedkin*).

SECTION C. INFORMATION ITEMS

9. The next meeting of the Peace and Justice Commission is tentatively scheduled for Monday, February 6, 2006 with a deadline of Wednesday, January 25, 2006 for submission of agenda items and materials for the January agenda packet. Dates are subject to change, please contact the Commission Secretary to confirm.

SECTION D. ADJOURNMENT