



Berkeley Housing Authority

**Regular Board Meeting
AGENDA AMENDED
Thursday, February 20, 2025
4:31 pm**

Will Occur in Person at
1947 Center St., Berkeley, CA 94704, 5th Flr
and
via Teleconference

Link:

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**ALI KASHANI, Vice Chair
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Commissioner, Dan Rossi**

**Commissioner, Ayanna Davis
Commissioner, Tracy Matthews
Commissioner, Alexandria Thomas-Rodriguez**

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Agenda Adjustments**
4. **Comments from the Public:** *Limited to 3 minutes per speaker.*
5. **Approval of Minutes:** *Following Minutes to be presented on March 20, 2025.*
- November 21, 2024, Special Board Meeting; to review edits & re-approve.
- January 09, 2025, Regular Board Meeting.
6. **Report from the Executive Director:**

This report is intended to provide the Board of Commissioners with information pertaining to the general administration of the Agency since the last meeting. It will also provide important information on matters that may affect operations prior to the next scheduled meeting.
7. **New Business:**
 - a) *Presentation of Independent Audit Report, Year Ending June 30, 2024 by Novogradac and Company, LLP.*
 - b) *Financial Report; Actual vs Budget for Period Ending December 31, 2025.*
 - c) *Adopt a Resolution for the Executive Director to execute a three-year contract with two additional optional years totaling five years with Harshwal & Company LLC the Financial Audit & Tax Return Services provider for Berkeley Housing Authority.*
 - d) *Adopt a Resolution for the Fourth Amendment of Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)/Project Based Voucher (PBV) Services Contract with Grants Consulting Firm to end February 28, 2025.*
 - e) *Adopt a Resolution for the Executive Director to execute a one-year contract with one year option with The Organizational Leadership Edge (TOLE) in the amount of \$25,650.*
8. **Closed Session:**
 - a) *Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 – Update on Labor Negotiations with SEIU Local 1021. Authority Designated Representative: Rhonda Williams, HR Consultant and Stacey Cue, Consultant.*
 - b) *Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 – Update on Labor Negotiations with AFSME Local One. Authority Designated Representative: Rhonda Williams, HR Consultant and Stacey Cue, Consultant.*
 - c) *Conference with Real Property Negotiations (Government Code § 54956.8)*
Property: Affordable Housing Development at North Berkeley BART Transit-Oriented Development, Berkeley, CA 94702
Agency Negotiation: James Williams, Executive Director, Jhaila Brown, General Counsel, Jonathan Zimmerman, real estate consultant
Negotiating Parties: BRIDGE Housing Corporation, Insight Housing, and East Bay Asian Local Development Corporation
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment.
 - d) *Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Government Code sections 54957(b); Title Executive Director.*
9. **Commissioners’ Questions and Matters**
10. **Communications:** 3x3
11. **Adjournment**

 This agenda was posted on the doors of the Berkeley Housing Authority at 1947 Center Street, Berkeley, CA 94704; as well as on the Berkeley Housing Authority website www.cityofberkeley.info/bha. The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2025, at 4:01 pm at 1947 Center Street, 5th Floor, Berkeley, CA 94704, & via Zoom video conference.