



Berkeley Housing Authority

**Regular Board Meeting
AGENDA
Amended
Thursday, October 16, 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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Commissioner, Ayanna Davis

Commissioner, Max Levine

Commissioner, Tracy Matthews

Commissioner, Dan Rossi

Commissioner, Alexandria Thomas-Rodriguez

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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 November 20, 2025, at 4:31 pm at 1947 Center Street, 5th Floor, Berkeley, CA 94704, & via Zoom video conference.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Comments from the Public** Limited to 3 minutes per speaker.
4. **Ceremonial Matters**
5. **Closed Session**
 - a) Conference with Real Property Negotiations (Government Code § 54956.8)
Property: 2000 Center Street, Suite 100, Berkeley, CA 94704 Agency Negotiation: James Williams, Executive Director, Jhaila Brown, General Counsel Negotiating Parties: 2000 Center Street LLC (John Lineweaver and Italo A. Calpestri III) Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment for lease.
 - b) Public Employee Performance Evaluation: (Ca. Government Code § 54957 (b)); Title: Executive Director.
 - c) Public Employee Performance Evaluation: (Ca. Government Code § 54957 (b)); Title: Agency Staff.
6. **Approval of Minutes** July Regular Board Meeting and September Special Board Meeting of 2025.
7. **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.
8. **Consent Agenda**
9. **Old Business**
 - a) [During the last BOC Meeting on 09/30/25, this Item 9A was presented as Item 7h].

Adopt A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute a Lease Termination Agreement Terminating the Lease Agreement by and Between the Berkely Housing Authority and the City of Berkeley, dated January 1, 2021, for Office Space at 1947 Center Street, Berkeley, California and Take Further Actions Necessary to Effectuate the Termination of the Lease.
 - b) [During the last BOC Meeting on 09/30/25, this Item 9B was presented as Item 7i].

Adopt A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute a Commercial Office Building Lease with 2000 Center Street LLC for Commercial Office Space Located at 2000 Center Street, Suite 100, in Berkeley California and Take Further Actions Necessary to Effectuate the Terms of the Commercial Lease. CEQA Exempt.
10. **New Business**
 - a) Berkeley Housing Authority Finance Department Report; August 31, 2025, by Jesy Yturalde, Finance Manager.
 - b) Approve a resolution adopting a revised Utility Allowance schedule for the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV), Mainstream, Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV), Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) Voucher, Foster Youth Independence (FYI), and Moderate Rehabilitation Programs effective November 1, 2025, for new and existing contracts.
11. **Commissioners' Questions and Matters**
12. **Communications**
13. **Adjournment**

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