



City of Oakland

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Meeting Minutes - FINAL

* Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency and the City Council

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

3:30 PM

City Council Chamber, 3rd Floor

The Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency and the City Council convened at 3:35 p.m., with President Pro Tempore Gallo presiding as Chairperson.

The Roll Call was modified to note Councilmember Ramachandran present at 3:36 p.m.

Councilmember Rebecca Kaplan Participated By Teleconference At: 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Suite 232, Oakland, CA 94612

1 Call To Order

2 ROLL CALL / CITY COUNCIL

Present 6 - Rowena Brown, Carroll Fife, Noel Gallo, Ken Houston, Rebecca Kaplan, and Zac Unger

Absent 2 - Janani Ramachandran, and Nikki Fortunato Bas

3 ACTIONS ON SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY

("Ceremonial Items") Ceremonial Presentations, Including Proclamations, Individual Recognitions, etc.; and Reports Or Presentations From The Mayor, Other Public Officials, Or Special Guests

3.1 Subject: Celebrating Women's History Month
From: Councilmembers Brown, Fife, Kaplan, And Ramachandran
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution In Celebration Of March 2025 As Women's History Month And Honoring Women Who Have Demonstrated Exemplary Leadership And Whose Contributions To Oakland Have Made A Lasting Positive Impact In Our Communities

[25-0530](#)

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[90657 C.M.S.](#)

2 Speakers Spoke On This Item

A motion was made by Rowena Brown, seconded by Carroll Fife, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Brown, Fife, Gallo, Houston, Kaplan, Ramachandran, and Unger

Absent: 1 - Fortunato Bas

NO VOTE: 0

4 MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA AND PROCEDURAL ITEMS
(Requests To: Reschedule Items From Consent To Non-Consent
To The Next Council Agenda, Speak On Consent Calendar, Register Votes,
Change Order Of Items, Reconsiderations, Pull Items Held In Committee):

Councilmember Unger made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ramachandran to modify the agenda by moving item S5.16 'Temporary Staffing Service Agencies Agreements Extension' to the Non-Consent Calendar

5 CONSENT CALENDAR (CC) ITEMS:

6 Speakers Spoke On This Item

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Fife, seconded by Unger, to approve the Consent Agenda.
The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Brown, Fife, Gallo, Houston, Kaplan, Ramachandran, and Unger

Absent: 1 - Fortunato Bas

NO VOTE: 0

5.1 Approval Of The Draft Minutes From The Meeting Of March 4, 2025

[25-0543](#)

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This Report and Recommendation was Accepted.

5.2 Subject: Declaration Of A Local Emergency Due To AIDS Epidemic
From: Office Of The City Attorney
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Renewing And Continuing The City Council's
Declaration Of A Local Emergency Due To The Existence Of A Critical Public Health
Crisis With Regard To The Human Immunodeficiency Virus ("HIV")/Acquired
Immunodeficiency Syndrome ("AIDS") Epidemic

[25-0544](#)

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[90658 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

- 5.3** Subject: Declaration Of Medical Cannabis Health Emergency
From: Office Of The City Attorney
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Renewing The City Council's Declaration Of A Local Public Health Emergency With Respect To Safe, Affordable Access To Medical Cannabis In The City Of Oakland
[25-0545](#)

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[90659 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

- 5.4** Subject: Declaration Of A Local Emergency On Homelessness
From: Councilmember Kaplan
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Renewing And Continuing The City Council's Declaration Of A Local Emergency Due To The Existence Of The City's Homelessness Crisis
[25-0546](#)

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[90660 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

5.5 Subject: Master Site License Agreement For Installation Of Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure
From: Department Of Transportation
Recommendation: Adopt An Ordinance: (1) Authorizing The City Administrator To Negotiate And Execute With Flashparking, Inc. A Master Site License Agreement (MSLA) To Install And Operate Electric Vehicle Fast Charging Infrastructure For An Initial Term Of Six (6) Years From The Date Of The First Operational Charger With Two 4- Year Options To Renew For A Total Not To Exceed Commercial Operation Term Of Fourteen (14) Years At A Rate Of Zero Dollars (\$0.00) Per Year For The Following Parking Facilities: (A) 18th Street Uptown Lot Located At 1800 San Pablo Avenue; (B) Franklin Plaza Garage Located At 1719 Franklin Street; (C) Frank G Mar / 1200 Harrison Garage Located At 278 12th Street; (D) Marriott/Convention Center Garage Located At 550 11th Street; (E) Oakland Museum Of California Garage Located At 1000 Oak St; (F) Parkway Lot Located At 341 East 19th Street; (G) Pacific Renaissance Plaza Garage Located At 388 9th Street; And (H) Telegraph Plaza Garage Located At 2100 Telegraph Avenue (2) Accepting And Appropriating Revenue In The Amount Of Fifty Percent (50%) Of Net Profits From The MSLA For The Purpose Of Recovering Staff Costs And Improving EV Infrastructure; And (3) Making Findings That The MSLA For A Below Fair Market Value Are In The Best Interest Of The City; And (4) Adopting Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings
[25-0498](#)

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[13837 C.M.S.](#)

This Ordinance was Approved for Final Passage.

- 5.6** Subject: Oakland Public Safety Planning And Oversight Commission Enabling Ordinance
From: Office Of The City Administrator
Recommendation: Adopt An Ordinance Establishing The Oakland Public Safety Planning And Oversight Commission, Providing For The Appointment Of Members Thereof, And Defining The Duties And Functions Of Said Commission
[25-0463](#)

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This Ordinance was Approved for Final Passage.

- 5.7** Subject: Amendment To State Traffic Safety Grant To Oakland Fire Department
From: Oakland Fire Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Amending Resolution No. 90562 C.M.S., Which Among Other Things Authorized The City Administrator To Accept State Grant Funds In The Amount Of One Hundred And Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$165,000) By: (1) Awarding A Contract For The Purchase Of Vehicle Extraction Equipment For The Fire Department In An Amount Not To Exceed One Hundred And Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$165,000) To L.N. Curtis And Sons; And (2) Waiving The City's Request For Proposals And Qualifications And Competitive Bidding Requirements And Local/Small Local Business Enterprise (L/SLBE) Requirements For The Above-Mentioned Contract
[25-0518](#)

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[90661 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

- 5.8** Subject: Conduit Financing For CMFA Adcock Joyner Apartments Affordable Housing Project
From: Finance Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Approving A Plan Of Finance Of The California Municipal Finance Authority To Issue And Reissue Revenue Bonds For A Qualified Residential Rental Project In An Aggregate Principal Amount Not To Exceed Thirteen Million Dollars (\$13,000,000) For The Benefit Of Adcock Joyner Preservation, LP, And Certain Other Matters Relating Thereto Pursuant To Section 147(F) Of The Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. § 147(f))
[25-0533](#)

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[90662 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

- 5.9** Subject: Reappointment To The Privacy Advisory Commission
From: Office Of The Mayor
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Confirming The Mayor's Reappointment Of Jessica Leavitt To The Privacy Advisory Commission
[25-0552](#)

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[90663 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

- 5.10** Subject: Appointment To The Budget Advisory Commission
From: Office Of The Mayor
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Confirming The Mayor's Appointment Of Ben Gould To The Budget Advisory Commission
[25-0553](#)

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[90664 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

- 5.11** Subject: Celebration Of 100 Years Of Service: Beebe Memorial Cathedral
From: Councilmember Unger
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Honoring Beebe Memorial Cathedral For 100 Years Of Providing Spiritual Guidance, Uplifting Worship, Community Service, And Social Justice Advocacy, While Fostering A Legacy Of Faith, Empowerment, And Support For Generations Of Residents; And Recognizing The Cathedral As A Pillar Of District 1 Community And The City Of Oakland At Large
[25-0551](#)

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[90665 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

- 5.12** Subject: Annual Comprehensive Financial Report And Management Letter
From: Finance Department
Recommendation: Receive The Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) And The Auditor's Required Communication To City Council (Management Letter) For The Year Ended June 30, 2024
[25-0456](#)

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This Informational Report was Received and Filed.

- 5.13** Subject: Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency (ORSA) Audit Report, FY 2023-24
From: Finance Department
Recommendation: Receive An Informational Report On The Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency (ORSA) Audit Report For The Year Ended June 30, 2024
[25-0457](#)

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This Informational Report was Received and Filed.

S5.14 Subject: Amending The Professional Services Agreement With Francisco & Associates, Inc
From: Finance Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing An Amendment To The Professional Services Agreement With Francisco & Associates, Inc. For Engineering Services For Various Local Measures And The City Of Oakland Landscaping And Lighting Assessment District To Increase The Compensation By An Amount Up To \$80,000 For A Total Contract Amount Not To Exceed \$630,000; And Waiving The Competitive Request For Proposals/Qualifications Requirements And The Local/Small Local Business Enterprise Requirements
[25-0529](#)

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[90666 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

S5.15 Subject: Executive Recruitment Agencies Agreements Extension And Additional Funding
From: Human Resources Management Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Extend The Professional Services Agreement With The Hawkins Company To Continue Provision Of Executive Recruitment Staffing Services For The Period Of October 3, 2024 Through October 2, 2026, Cooperative Personnel Services D.B.A CPS HR Consulting To Continue Provision Of Executive Recruitment Staffing Services For The Period Of January 3, 2025 Through January 2, 2027, Baker Tilly Advisory Group LP To Continue Provision Of Executive Recruitment Staffing Services For The Period Of October 17, 2024 Through October 16, 2026, The Byers Group CA, Inc. To Continue Provision Of Executive Recruitment Staffing Services For The Period Of October 3, 2024 Through October 2, 2026 And Ralph Andersen & Associates To Continue Provision Of Executive Recruitment Staffing Services For The Period Of January 3, 2025 Through January 2, 2027, And For Each Of The Aforementioned Executive Recruitment Agency Contract, Add An Amount Of \$125,000.00 For Contract Year One And \$125,000 For Contract Year Two For A Total Amount Of \$500,000.00 Over The Four-Year Term Of Each Contract
[25-0479](#)

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[90667 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

S5.17 Subject: CDBG Funding Authorization For The Eliza Senior Housing Project
From: Housing And Community Development Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution: (1) Authorizing The Use Of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds In An Amount Not To Exceed \$1,000,000 For Expenses Related To The Acquisition Of Real Property, Public Improvements, Site Clearance, And The Relocation Of Privately Owned Utilities To Support The New Construction Of The Eliza Affordable Senior Housing Project (The Eliza); (2) Authorizing The City Administrator To Enter Into An Unsecured CDBG Predevelopment Loan Agreement With Mercy Housing California And/Or Its Affiliated Entity Or Entities (Mercy) In An Amount Not To Exceed \$500,000; (3) Authorizing The City Administrator To Enter Into A CDBG Secured Construction Loan With Mercy Housing California And/Or Its Affiliated Entity Or Entities (Mercy) In An Amount Not To Exceed \$500,000; And (4) Adopting Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings
[25-0508](#)

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[90668 C.M.S.](#)

This City Resolution was Adopted.

S5.18 Subject: Final Tract Map No. 8679 Subdivision Map 4035 Park Boulevard
From: Department Of Transportation
Recommendation: Adopt The Following Pieces Of Legislation:

1) A Resolution Conditionally Approving A Final Map For Tract No. 8679, Located At 4035 Park Boulevard, For An Eight Mini-Lot Subdivision For 4035 Park Boulevard, LLC, And Adopting Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings; And [25-0514](#)

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***Councilmember Unger made a motion seconded by Councilmember Ramachandran to approve the urgency finding on item S5.18 for the following reasons: That there is a need to take immediate action which came to the attention of the local body after the agenda was posted, and that the need to take immediate action is required to avoid a substantial adverse impact that would occur if the action were deferred to a subsequent special or regular meeting;
The***

Motion passed by 7 Ayes: Brown, Fife, Houston, Kaplan, Ramachandran, Unger, and Gallo

This City Resolution was Adopted.

2) A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Enter Into A Subdivision Improvement Agreement With 4035 Park Boulevard, LLC For Deferred Construction Of Public Infrastructure Improvements As A Condition To Final Map Approval For Tract No. 8679 Located At 4035 Park Boulevard, And Adopting Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings
[25-0515](#)

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Councilmember Unger made a motion seconded by Councilmember Ramachandran to approve the urgency finding on item S5.18 for the following reasons: That there is a need to take immediate action which came to the attention of the local body after the agenda was posted, and that the need to take immediate action is required to avoid a substantial adverse impact that would occur if the action were deferred to a subsequent special or regular meeting;
The

Motion passed by 7 Ayes: Brown, Fife, Houston, Kaplan, Ramachandran, Unger, and Gallo

This City Resolution was Adopted.

ACTION ON THE NON-CONSENT CALENDAR PORTION OF THE AGENDA WILL COMMENCE AT 5:00 P.M., OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS REASONABLY PRACTICABLE:

6 CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS WITH STATUTORY PUBLIC HEARING REQUIREMENTS:

7 ACTION ON OTHER NON-CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

S5.16 Subject: Temporary Staffing Service Agencies Agreements Extension And Name Correction
From: Human Resources Management Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Extend The Professional Services Agreements With Howroyd-Wright Employment Agency, Inc. D.B.A. Appleone Employment Services, HR Management Corp, Inc., And Tempositions, Inc. For A One-Year Term (December 1, 2025 To December 1, 2026) In An Amount Not To Exceed \$125,000 Per Agreement And Increasing The Contract Value For Contract Year 2024-2025 In An Amount Not To Exceed \$125,000 Per Agreement Resulting In A Six Year Term For A Total Amount Not To Exceed \$750,000.00 For Each Agreement; And Amending Resolution 89841 To Correct The Name Of HR Management, Inc., To HR Management Corp, Inc.

[25-0485](#)

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[90671 C.M.S.](#)

4 Speakers Spoke On This Item

With a Vote of 7 Ayes, The Council Approved to Adopt The Item As Amended, By Amending The Contract Amount To \$50,000

A motion was made by Zac Unger, seconded by Janani Ramachandran, that this matter be Adopted as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Brown, Fife, Gallo, Houston, Kaplan, Ramachandran, and Unger

Absent: 1 - Fortunato Bas

NO VOTE: 0

- 8** Subject: Annual Governor's Office Of Business And Economic Development Grant For Cannabis Equity Program
From: Economic And Workforce Development Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To: (1) Apply For, Accept, And Appropriate Two Million Seventy-Four Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars And Seventy-Five Cents (\$2,074,369.75) In State Of California, Governor's Office Of Business And Economic Development (Go-Biz) Equity Act Grant Funds; And (2) Expend And Administer The Go-Biz Grant By: (A) Providing Grants For Business Start-Up And Ongoing Costs In An Amount Not To Exceed Two-Hundred And Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) Per Grant For Cannabis Business Equity Applicants And Licensees, To Be Determined And Without Return To Council In A Cumulative Amount Not To Exceed One Million Eight Hundred And Sixty-Seven Thousand- Three Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars And Seventy-Five Cents (\$1,867,369.75) And (B) Covering Staffing And Other Administrative Costs For The City's Cannabis Equity Program In An Amount Not To Exceed Two Hundred And Seven Thousand Dollars (\$207,000)
[25-0532](#)

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[90672 C.M.S.](#)

1 Speaker Spoke On This Item

The Council Approved The Item As Is, With Request For The Administration To Report Back To Council On Their Equity Implementation Strategy Prior To Fund Distribution

A motion was made by Rowena Brown, seconded by Janani Ramachandran, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Brown, Fife, Gallo, Houston, Kaplan, Ramachandran, and Unger

Absent: 1 - Fortunato Bas

NO VOTE: 0

- 9 Subject: Oakland's Sanctuary City Ordinance
From: President Pro Tempore Gallo
Recommendation: Receive An Informational Report Concerning Oakland's Sanctuary
City Ordinance
[25-0516](#)

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3 Speakers Spoke On This Item

A motion was made by Noel Gallo, seconded by Ken Houston, that this matter be Received and Filed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Brown, Fife, Gallo, Houston, Kaplan, Ramachandran, and Unger

Absent: 1 - Fortunato Bas

NO VOTE: 0

- 10 Subject: Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Second Quarter (Q2) Revenue And Expenditures
(R&E) Report
From: Finance Department
Recommendation: Receive An Informational Report On Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 Second
Quarter (Q2) Results And Year-End Estimates For The General Purpose Fund (GPF,
1010), And Select Funds, And An Update On Current Year Balancing Efforts
[25-0499](#)

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2 Speakers Spoke On This Item

A motion was made by Rowena Brown, seconded by Janani Ramachandran, that this matter be Received and Filed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Brown, Fife, Gallo, Houston, Kaplan, Ramachandran, and Unger

Absent: 1 - Fortunato Bas

NO VOTE: 0

OPEN FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENTS

3 Speakers Spoke During Open Forum

ADJOURNMENT OF COUNCIL SESSION

**(Meeting Shall Conclude No Later Than 9:30 P.M., Unless Extended By Majority Vote Of
The Council)**

*There being no further business, the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency
and the Council adjourned the meeting in memory of Earl Hamlin and the more
than 400 Palestinians massacred in Israel at 7: 21 p.m.*

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