



City of Oakland

Meeting Minutes - FINAL

*Rules & Legislation Committee

*Oakland City Hall, 1 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza,
Oakland, California, 94612*

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Thursday, March 20, 2025

10:30 AM

City Council Chamber, 3rd Floor

**The Oakland City Council Rules And Legislation Committee Convened At 10:32 A.M.
With President Pro Tempore Gallo Presiding As Chairperson.**

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

Present 4 - Carroll Fife, Janani Ramachandran, Rowena Brown, and Noel Gallo

1 Roll Call / Call To Order

Present 3 - Carroll Fife, Noel Gallo, and Rowena Brown

Excused 1 - Janani Ramachandran

1 Approval Of The Draft Minutes From The Committee Meeting Of March 6, 2025
[25-0549](#)

Attachments: [View Report](#)

A motion was made that this matter be Accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Fife, Brown, and Gallo

Excused: 1 - Ramachandran

NO VOTE: 0

The Roll Call was modified to note Councilmember Ramachandran present at 10:40 a.m

3 New Scheduling Items

2 Speakers Spoke On This Item

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

Aye: 4 - Fife, Ramachandran, Brown, and Gallo

NO VOTE: 0

3.1 Subject: Homelessness Prevention Program Extension
From: Housing And Community Development Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Amending Resolution No. 90475 C.M.S., Which Authorized Funding For The Homeless Prevention Pilot Program Grant To Bay Area Community Services, Inc. For A Total Amount Not To Exceed Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) And Grant Term Through June 30, 2026 To: (1) Extend The Grant Term To June 30, 2027; (2) Increase The Authorized Grant Amount To A Total Amount Not To Exceed Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) And Allocating Previously Budgeted Funds To BACS' Homeless Prevention Pilot Program; And (3) Authorize The City Adminstrator To Accept, Appropriate, And Increase The Grant Agreement Using Any State, Federal, Local, And/Or Private Funding That Becomes Available For BACS'Homeless Prevention Pilot Program During The Term Of The Grant Agreement, Without Return To Council [25-0575](#)

Sponsors: Housing And Community Development Department

Attachments: [View Report And Attachments A And B](#)
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This City Resolution be Scheduled.to go before the *Community & Economic Development Committee to be heard 4/8/2025

3.2 Subject: Intention To Form The Laurel Business Improvement District 2025
From: Economic And Workforce Development Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution (1) Declaring An Intention To Form The Laurel Improvement District 2025 (Laurel BID 2025); (2) Granting Preliminary Approval Of The Laurel BID 2025 Management Plan; (3) Directing Filing Of The Proposed Laurel BID 2025 Assessment District Boundary Description With The City Clerk; (4) Directing Distribution Of A Ballot To All Affected Property Owners In The Proposed Laurel BID 2025 To Determine Whether A Majority Protest Exists; And (5) Scheduling A Public Hearing For July 1, 2025
[25-0573](#)

Sponsors: Economic & Workforce Development Department

Pursuant to Rule 24, a statement was made on record as to the item bypassing committee.

On Consent

This City Resolution be Scheduled.to go before the Special Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency/City Council to be heard 4/14/2025

3.3 Subject: Amendments To Affordable Housing Combining Zone, Housing Sites Combining Zone, Broadway Valdez District Commercial Zones, And Lake Merritt Station Area District Zones
From: Planning And Building Department
Recommendation: Conduct A Public Hearing And Upon Conclusion Adopt An Ordinance, As Recommended By The City Planning Commission: (1) Amending Title 17 Of The Oakland Municipal Code (The Planning Code), To (A) Expand The Pedestrian-Oriented Activities Permitted In Chapter 17.101C (D-BV Broadway Valdez District Commercial Zones); (B) Clarify The Affordability Thresholds In Chapter 17.95 (S-13 Affordable Housing Combining Zone); (C) Revise The Required Minimum Densities, Including To Align With Base Zoning Districts, And To Clarify The Definition Of Development Project, In Chapter 17.96 (S-14 Housing Sites Combining Zone); And (D) Permit Artisan Production Commercial Activities And Institute The Central District Entertainment Venue Permit In Chapter 17.101g (D-LM Lake Merritt Station Area District Zones); And (2) Amending The Planning Code To Incorporate Related Miscellaneous Changes To Chapters 17.95, 17.96, 17.101C, And 17.101G; And (3) Making Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act Findings

[25-0574](#)

Sponsors: Planning & Building Department

Attachments: [View Report](#)

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And On The April 14, 2025 Special City Council Agenda As A Public Hearing

This Ordinance be Scheduled.to go before the *Community & Economic Development Committee to be heard 4/8/2025

3.4 Subject: FY 2025-2028 Citywide Strategic Plan
From: Office Of The City Administrator
Recommendation: Receive An Informational Report From The City Administrator On The FY 2025-2028 Citywide Strategic Plan

[25-0572](#)

Sponsors: Office Of The City Administrator

Attachments: [View Report](#)

[View Attachment A](#)

[View Attachment B](#)

This Informational Report be Scheduled.to go before the *Special Finance & Management Committee to be heard 4/9/2025

3.5 Subject: Recruitment Services Agreement Extension Of Contract End Date
From: Human Resources Management Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Extend The Professional Services Agreement With Cooperative Personnel Services D.B.A. CPS HR Consulting To Continue Providing Assistance In All Aspect Of Recruiting Qualified, Experienced Candidates For Placement Into City Government, Classification Specifications, Classification And Compensation Studies, Training Workshops, Organizational Studies And Examination Administration And Studies For The Period Of September 1, 2023 To September 1, 2028

[25-0576](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources Management Department

Attachments: [View Report](#)

[View Legislation](#)

This City Resolution be Scheduled.to go before the *Special Finance & Management Committee to be heard 4/9/2025

3.6 Subject: FY 2025-26 Landscaping And Lighting Assessment District (LLAD) - Initiation
From: Finance Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Initiating The Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-26 Assessment Process For The City Of Oakland Landscaping And Lighting Assessment District (LLAD) And Authorizing The City Administrator To Order A Preliminary Engineer's Report

[25-0577](#)

Sponsors: Finance Department

Attachments: [View Report](#)

[View Legislation](#)

This City Resolution be Scheduled.to go before the *Special Finance & Management Committee to be heard 4/9/2025

3.7 Subject: Report And Recommendation To Stimulate Economic Growth In Oakland
From: Office Of The Mayor And Councilmember Ramachandran
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Directing The City Administrator To Present An Informational Report With Recommendations On Short-And Medium-Term Land Use, Financial Zoning, And Permitting Incentives To Stimulate Economic Growth And Attract And Preserve Business In Oakland

[25-0580](#)

Sponsors: Office Of The Mayor and Ramachandran

Attachments: [View Memo](#)

[View Legislation](#)

[View Supplemental Legislation - 4/9/2025](#)

A Title Change Was Read Into Record And Accepted

Pursuant to Rule 24, a statement was made on record as to the item bypassing committee.

On Non-Consent

This City Resolution be Scheduled.to go before the Special Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency/City Council to be heard 4/14/2025

Aye: 3 - Ramachandran, Gallo, and Brown

No: 1 - Fife

NO VOTE: 0

3.8 Subject: Campaign Reform Act: Temporary Increase In Contribution Limits
From: Council President Jenkins And Councilmembers Ramachandran And Houston
Recommendation: Adopt An Ordinance Amending Oakland Municipal Code Title 3, Municipal Elections, Article III, Chapter 3.12, The Oakland Campaign Reform Act, To Add Section 3.12.045 To Temporarily Increase Contribution Limits For Candidates In 2026 Elections And To Amend Section 3.12.150 To Increase Officeholder Fund Limits; On The May 22, 2025 Rules And Legislation Committee Agenda

[25-0579](#)

Sponsors: Fortunato Bas, Ramachandran and Houston

This Ordinance be Scheduled.to go before the *Rules & Legislation Committee to be heard 5/22/2025

Aye: 3 - Ramachandran, Gallo, and Brown

No: 1 - Fife

NO VOTE: 0

4 Review Of Draft Agendas, Pending Lists, City Council And Committee Meetings
25-0550

Attachments: [March 25, 2025 Finance And Management Committee Agenda](#)
[March 25, 2025 Public Works And Transportation Committee Agenda](#)
[March 25, 2025 Community And Economic Development Committee Agenda](#)
[March 25, 2025 Special Public Safety Committee Agenda](#)
[March 25, 2025 Cancelled Life Enrichment Committee Agenda](#)
[March 25, 2025 Cancelled Public Safety Committee Agenda](#)
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[Finance And Management Committee Pending List](#)
[Public Works And Transportation Committee Pending List](#)
[Community And Economic Development Committee Pending List](#)
[Life Enrichment Committee Pending List](#)
[Education Partnership Committee Pending List](#)
[Public Safety Committee Pending List](#)
[Rules And Legislation Committee Pending List](#)
[Port Liaison Committee Pending List](#)
[April 1, 2025 City Council Agenda - CANCELLED](#)
[April 3, 2025 Rules And Legislation Agenda - CANCELLED](#)

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

Aye: 4 - Fife, Ramachandran, Gallo, and Brown

NO VOTE: 0

CHANGES MADE TO THE MARCH 25, 2025 FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AGENDA

Subject: Parking Enforcement Operations
From: Department Of Transportation
Recommendation: Receive An Informational Report Regarding Department Of Transportation Parking Enforcement Operations And Parking Revenues
25-0237

Sponsors: Transportation Department

Attachments: [View Report And Attachments A And B](#)
[View Supplemental Report- 4/4/2025](#)
[View Supplemental Attachment A - 4/4/2025](#)

This Informational Report be * Withdrawn and Rescheduled to go before the *Special Finance & Management Committee to be heard 4/9/2025

CHANGES MADE TO THE MARCH 25, 2025 PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

Subject: 12 + 10 Street Bridges Remedial Planting Contract
From: Oakland Public Works Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To: (1) Award The 12th + 10th Street Bridges Mitigation Sites Remedial Planting Construction Contract, Based On All Contract Documents And Specifications, To Los Loza, Inc. For An Amount Not To Exceed Five Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$534,000); And (2) Maintain The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Findings As Determined In The Resolution 82579 C.M.S.

[25-0534](#)

Sponsors: Oakland Public Works Department

This City Resolution be * Withdrawn and Rescheduled.to go before the * Public Works And Transportation Committee to be heard 4/22/2025

CHANGES MADE TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY (April 8, 2025) PENDING LIST

Subject: OPD OES Law Enforcement Domestic Violence Grant
From: Oakland Police Department
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept And Appropriate A Grant Award In The Amount Of Two Hundred Three Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$203,143) From The State Of California Office Of Emergency Services, For The Fiscal Year Of 2025, For The Implementation Of The Oakland Police Department Law Enforcement Specialized Units- Domestic Violence Programs Grant; And Authorizing The City's General Purpose Fund To Contribute Sixty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$67,714) To Cover Associated Central Services Overhead Costs; On The April 8, 2025 Public Safety Committee Agenda

[25-0564](#)

Sponsors: Oakland Police Department

Pending List No Date Specific

This City Resolution be * Withdrawn and Rescheduled.to go before the *Public Safety Committee

Open Forum

0 Speakers Spoke During Open Forum

Adjournment

There being no further business, The Oakland City Council Rules & Legislation Committee adjourned the meeting in memory of Derbing Alvarado at 10:56 a.m.

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8:30AM TO 5:00PM**

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