



# City of Oakland

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## Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

### \*Community & Economic Development Committee

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

City of Oakland Website: <http://www.oaklandca.gov>

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Tuesday, December 9, 2025

1:30 PM

City Council Chamber, 3rd Floor

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#### The Oakland City Council Community And Economic Development Committee Convened At 1:30 P.M. With Councilmember Brown Presiding As Chairperson

Councilmember Janani Ramachandran Participated Via Teleconference

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:

#### Roll Call / Call To Order

**Present** 4 - Carroll Fife, Janani Ramachandran, Zac Unger, and Rowena Brown

- 1 Approval Of The Draft Minutes From The Committee Meeting Held On October 28, 2025  
And The Special Meeting On November 18, 2025  
[26-0223](#)

**Attachments:** [View Report - October 28, 2025](#)  
[View Report - November 18, 2025](#)

*0 Speakers Spoke On This Item*

A motion was made by Zac Unger, seconded by Carroll Fife, that this matter be  
Accepted. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye** 4 - Fife Ramachandran Unger, Brown

**NO VOTE** 0

- 2 Determination Of Schedule Of Outstanding Committee Items  
[26-0274](#)

**Attachments:** [View Report](#)

*1 Speaker Spoke On This Item*

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

**Aye** 4 - Fife Ramachandran Unger, Brown

**NO VOTE** 0

- 3**      Subject:    MOU Between City Of Oakland And City Of San Leandro  
From:        Planning And Building Department  
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Enter Into A Memorandum Of Understanding With The City Of San Leandro Establishing That The City Of San Leandro Will Process Planning And Building Entitlements For Improvements To An Existing Structure And Parking Lot At 1 East 14th Street/10701 International Boulevard, A Property Located Within Both Jurisdictions, And Act As Lead Agency For The Purposes Of Review Under The California Environmental Quality Act  
[25-0910](#)

**Sponsors:**    Planning & Building Department

**Attachments:**    [View Report](#)  
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***The Committee Approved The Recommendations Of Staff And To Forward This Item To The December 16, 2025 City Council Agenda On Consent***

***1 Speaker Spoke On This Item***

**A motion was made by Zac Unger, seconded by Carroll Fife, that this matter be Approved the Recommendation of Staff, and Forward to go before the \* Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency and the City Council, to be heard 12/16/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye**    4 -    Fife Ramachandran Unger, Brown

**NO VOTE**    0

- 4**      Subject:    Terms For An Exclusive Negotiating Agreement  
From:        Councilmember Fife  
Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution (1) Authorizing The City Administrator To Negotiate Terms For An Exclusive Negotiating Agreement With Costco Wholesale Corporation And Deca Companies, LLC To Develop A Costco Wholesale And Retail General Merchandise Facility In The North Gateway Development Area Of The Former Oakland Army Base And (2) Declaring The Property Exempt Surplus Land  
[26-0264](#)

**Sponsors:**    Fife

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*The Committee Approved The Recommendations Of Staff And To Forward This Item To The December 16, 2025 City Council Agenda On Consent*

*11 Speakers Spoke On This Item*

A motion was made by Carroll Fife, seconded by Zac Unger, that this matter be Approved the Recommendation of Staff, and Forward to go before the \* Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency and the City Council, to be heard 12/16/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye**    4 -    Fife Ramachandran Unger, Brown

**NO VOTE**    0

- 5**      Subject:    Cannabis Equity Program  
From:        Economic And Workforce Development Department  
Recommendation: Receive An Informational Report On The City Of Oakland's Cannabis Equity Program  
[26-0162](#)

**Sponsors:**    Economic & Workforce Development Department

**Attachments:**   [View Report](#)  
[View Attachment A](#)

*3 Speakers Spoke On This Item*

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

**Aye**    4 -    Fife Ramachandran Unger, Brown

**NO VOTE**    0

DUE TO THE PRESENCE OF COUNCILMEMBER WANG, A QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL WAS NOTED, AND A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER BROWN AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER UNGER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING, AND TO CONVENE AS A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE FULL COUNCIL AT 2:50 P.M. THE MOTION PASSED WITH 4 AYES

Councilmember Brown made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Fife to approve the urgency finding 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 With 4 Ayes

**S6**      Subject:    Bay Area Air District's Zero Emission Building Appliance Rules  
              From:      Councilmember Wang  
              Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution In Support Of The Bay Area Air District's Timely Implementation Of Rules 9-4 And 9-6 That Establish Zero-Emission Building Appliance Standards, With Appropriate Flexibility To Ensure Equity And Business Development  
[26-0289](#)

**Sponsors:**    Wang

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*The Committee Approved The Recommendations Of Staff And To Forward This Item To The December 16, 2025 City Council Agenda On Consent*

*3 Speakers Spoke On This Item*

A motion was made by Carroll Fife, seconded by Rowena Brown, that this matter be Approved the Recommendation of Staff, and Forward to go before the \* Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency and the City Council, to be heard 12/16/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye**    4 -    Fife Ramachandran Unger, Brown

**NO VOTE**    0

Councilmember Brown made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Ramachandran to approve the urgency finding 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 With 4 Ayes

**S7**      Subject:    Amendments To The Oakland Fire Code  
From:        Oakland Fire Department  
Recommendation: Adopt An Emergency Ordinance: (1) Repealing Current Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 15.12, "The Oakland Fire Code"; (2) Adopting And Making Local Amendments To The 2025 Edition Of The California Model Building Code, California Code Of Regulations Title 24, Part 9 (Also Referred To As The "California Fire Code"); (3) Recodifying Said Code As Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 15.12, "The Oakland Fire Code"; And (4) Adopting California Environmental Quality Act Exemption Findings  
[26-0287](#)

**Sponsors:**    Oakland Fire Department

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***The Committee Approved As Amended The Recommendations Of Staff And To Forward This Item To The December 16, 2025 City Council Agenda On Consent***

***Amendments To the Oakland Fire Code:***

- 1. To Section 909 Smoke Control Systems (G -1) Adding "Is Employed And Supervised By A Licensed C-20, C-61/ D-62 Contractor"***
- 2. To Section 909 Smoke Control Systems (G -2) Adding "And (iii) Is Employed And Supervised By A Licensed C-20, C-61/ D-62 Contractor"***

***3 Speakers Spoke On This Item***

A motion was made by Rowena Brown, seconded by Zac Unger, that this matter be Approved as Amended the Recommendation of Staff, and Forward to go before the \* Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency and the City Council, to be heard 12/16/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye**    4 -    Fife Ramachandran Unger, Brown

**NO VOTE**    0

**Open Forum**

***4 Speakers Spoke During Open Forum***

**Adjournment**

***There Being No Further Business, The Oakland City Council Community And Economic Development Committee Adjourned The Meeting At 3:50 P.M.***

**\* In the event of a quorum of the City Council participates on this Committee, the meeting is noticed as a Special Meeting of the City Council; however no final City Council action can be taken.**

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