# City of Oakland

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# **Meeting Agenda - SUPPLEMENTAL**

Thursday, June 22, 2023

10:30 AM

City Council Chamber, 3rd Floor

# \*Rules & Legislation Committee

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

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## **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:**

Councilmember Carroll Fife, District 3; President Pro Tempore Dan Kalb, District 1; Councilmember Janani Ramachandran, District 4; Chairperson: Council President Nikki Fortunato Bas, District 2

## 1 Roll Call / Call To Order

2 Approval Of The Draft Minutes From The Committee Meeting Of June 8, 2023

23-0488

Attachments: View Report

3 New Scheduling Items

3.1 Subject: Activate Oakland Event/Activations Sponsorship Program And Public Safety Campaign

From: Economic And Workforce Development Department

Recommendation: TITLE CHANGE

## [OLD TITLE]

Adopt A Resolution Waiving The City's Advertising, Competitive Bid And Request For Proposals/Qualifications (RFP/RFQ) Process And Authorizing The City Administrator Or Designee To Negotiate And Enter Into A Sole Source Contract With Visit Oakland (Visit Oakland), Without Return To Council, In An Amount Not To Exceed Four Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$434,000) To:

- (1) Administer An Event And Activations Sponsorship Program Providing Marketing Technical Assistance And Allocating Funding Of Up To \$10,000 Per Event/Activation To Support Oakland's Small Businesses, Arts And Culture, And Commercial Districts
- (2) Lead A Public Safety Campaign That Will Educate Visitors And Businesses About, And Facilitate Implementation Of, Effective Crime Prevention Strategies Focused On Reducing Theft, Vandalism, And Auto And Commercial Burglary In Oakland's Commercial Districts

## [NEW TITLE]

Adopt A Resolution: (1) Awarding A Grant To Oakland Convention And Visitors Bureau (Visit Oakland) In An Amount Not To Exceed \$434,000 To Administer An Event Sponsorship Program Providing Marketing Technical Assistance And Funding Of Up To \$10,000 Per Event To Support Oakland's Small Businesses, Arts And Culture, And Commercial Districts, And To Lead A Public Safety Campaign That Will Educate Visitors And Businesses About, And Facilitate Implementation Of, Effective Crime Prevention Strategies Focused On Reducing Theft, Vandalism, And Auto And Commercial Burglary In Oakland's Commercial Districts; And

(2) Authorizing The Carryover Of Unspent Fiscal Year 2022-2023 General Purpose Fund In An Amount Not To Exceed \$434,000 To Fiscal Year 2023-2024; On The June 26, 2023 Special City Council Budget Agenda 23-0521

### Legislative History

6/15/23 \*Rules & Legislation

Committee

Scheduled to the Special Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Successor Agency/City Council

Title Change was read into record

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

**3.2** Subject: Funding For New Construction Pipeline Projects

From: Housing And Community Development Department

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Appropriating Up To \$34,530,690 To Fund Affordable Housing Projects That Applied To The City Of Oakland's 2023 New Construction Notice Of Funding Availability, And Authorizing The City Administrator To Enter Into A Loan Agreement With Affordable Housing Projects Funded By This Resolution; On The June 26, 2023 Special City Council Budget Meeting 23-0545

3.3 Subject: Support Federal "Moneyball Act"

From: Councilmember Kaplan And Mayor Thao

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Supporting Congressmember Barbara Lee And Congressmember Mark Desaulnier's, "Moneyball Act," Legislation That Would (1) Require Any Professional Baseball Club That Relocates More Than Twenty-Five Miles From Its Previous Location To Compensate The State And Local Authorities They Relocate From; And (2) Subject Major League Baseball To Anti-Trust Laws Should Clubs Not Comply; On The June 26, 2023 Special City Council Budget Agenda 23-0543

**3.4** Subject: FY22-23 Midcycle Grant Award Clean Up - Add Friends Of The Oakland Branch

From: Department Of Violence Prevention

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Amending Resolution No. 89376 C.M.S., Which Awarded Grants To Community Service Providers, To Add Friends Of The Oakland Branch, A California Nonprofit Corporation, As The Fiscal Sponsor For The Grantee "National Association For The Advancement Of Colored People (NAACP)" For An Amount Not To Exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000); On The July 11, 2023 Finance And Management Committee Agenda 23-0537

3.5 Subject: Vacant Property Tax Rates Setting For Calendar Years 2022 Through 2024 From: Finance Department

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Setting The Maximum Tax Rates, As Authorized By The 2018 Measure W, For Properties Subject To The Vacant Property Tax For Calendar Years 2022 Through 2024; On The July 11, 2023 Finance And Management Committee Agenda

23-0538

3.6 Subject: Reimbursement Resolution, GO Bonds (Measures DD, KK, U)

From: Finance Department

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing Intention To Reimburse Certain Expenditures From Proceeds Of Tax-Exempt Obligations For Project Costs In Connection With Oakland Trust For Clean Water And Safe Parks (Measure DD), Affordable Housing And Infrastructure (Measure KK), And 2022 Affordable Housing And Infrastructure Bond (Measure U); On The July 11, 2023 Finance And Management Committee Agenda 23-0539

Subject: Temporary Staffing Service Agencies Agreements Extension From: Human Resources Management Department Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Extend The Professional Services Agreement With Howroyd-Wright Employment Agency, INC., D.B.A Appleone Employment Services, HR Management, Inc., And Tempositions, Inc. To Continue The Provision Of Temporary Personnel Staffing Services For The Period Of December 1, 2023, Through December 1, 2025, In An Amount Of \$125,000.00 For Contract Year 2023-2024 And An Amount Of \$125,000.00 For Contract Year 2024-2025 For A Total Amount Over The Five Year Term Of The Contract Of \$500,000.00 For Each Temporary Staffing Agency; On The July 11, 2023 Finance And Management Committee Agenda
23-0552

3.8 Subject: OPW Illegal Dumping Camera Annual Report And Amended Use Policy From: Oakland Public Works Department Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution: (1) Receiving The Annual Surveillance Report On The Oakland Public Works (OPW) Illegal Dumping Surveillance Camera Program (Camera Program); And (2) Approving Proposed Amendments To The Camera Program Use Policy (Use Policy) As Recommended By The Privacy Advisory Commission (PAC); On The July 11, 2023 Public Works And Transportation Committee Agenda 23-0549

3.9 Subject: Oakland Path Rehousing Initiative/Sponsor-Based Housing Assistance Program (OPRI/SBHAP) FY 2023-2024

From: Human Services Department

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution: (1) Accepting And Authorizing An Agreement For Receipt Of Funds From The Oakland Housing Authority (OHA) In The Amount Of \$4,209,692 To Continue Implementing The Oakland Path Rehousing Initiative/Sponsor-Based Housing Assistance Program (OPRI/SBHAP) For Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-2024; And

- (2) Awarding Grant Agreements To Four Non-Profit Agencies Identified In Table 1 To Provide Housing And Supportive Services Under OPRI/SBHAP In The Total Cumulative Amount Of \$5,187,799 For FY 2023-2024 Using Measure Q, General Purpose Funds, Federal Housing And Urban Development (HUD) Emergency Solutions Grant Funds, And HUD Community Development Block Grant Funds; And
- (3) Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept And Appropriate Additional Funds From OHA For OPRI/SBHAP For FY 2023-2024 And To Amend The Grant Agreements Awarded Herein To Adjust The Grant Amounts And/Or Terms, Subject To Available Appropriated OPRI/SBHAP Funds; On The July 11, 2023 Life Enrichment Committee Agenda 23-0542
- 3.10 Subject: Information And Assistance (I&A) Program Grant FY 2023-24

From: Human Services Department

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution: (1) Accepting, Appropriating, And Authorizing An Agreement For Receipt Of Grant Funds In An Amount Not To Exceed \$100,000 From The Alameda County Social Services Agency For Continued Operation Of The Information And Assistance (I&A) Program For Oakland Seniors For Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24; And (2) Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept And Appropriate Any Additional Funds From Alameda County Social Services Agency For The I&A Program Within FY 2023-24; And (3) Authorizing A Contribution From The General Purpose Fund In An Amount Equivalent To The Central Services Overhead Charges In An Estimated Amount Of \$30,624 For FY 2023-24; On The July 11, 2023 Life Enrichment Committee Agenda 23-0544

**3.11** Subject: Senior Companion Program/Foster Grandparent Program (SCP/FGP) Renewal Grant Applications FY 23-24

From: Human Services Department

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution: (1) Accepting, Appropriating, And Authorizing Agreements For Receipt Of Grant Funds From The Corporation For National And Community Services (CNCS-Americorps Seniors) For Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 In Amounts Not To Exceed \$177,742 For The Senior Companion Program And \$38,823 For The Foster Grandparent Program; And (2) Authorizing Contributions From The General Purpose Fund In The Estimated Amount Of \$31,933 For Central Services Overhead Charges And In The Estimated Amount Of \$43,688 For The Minimum 10% Local Match Requirement For FY 2023-24; And (3) Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept And Appropriate Additional Grant Funds From CNCS That Become Available For The Same Purposes Within FY 2023-24; On The July 11, 2023 Life Enrichment Committee 23-0541

3.12 Subject: OPD Vehicle Abatement Authority (AVA) Agreement

From: Office Of The City Administrator

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing: (1) The Extension Of The Alameda County Vehicle Abatement Authority (AVA) Until May 31, 2033; (2) The City Administrator To Continue The Oakland Police Department's Participation In The AVA; And (3) Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept The City Of Oakland's Share Of California State Vehicle Registration Service Fee Funds As Authorized By Vehicle Code Section 9250.7 And Distributed Through The AVA.; On The July 11, 2023 Public Safety Committee Agenda

23-0540

3.13 Subject; SAFER Grant Agreement From: Oakland Fire Department

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To: (1) Enter Into A Grant Agreement With The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) To Accept FY 2021 Staffing For Adequate Fire Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Funds In The Amount Of Twenty-Seven Million Three Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand And One Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$27,392,155.00); (2) Accept, Appropriate, And Administer Said SAFER Funds; And (3) Expend Funds To Hire Up To Thirty Five (15) Firefighters And/Or Firefighter Paramedics For The Grant Performance Period Of October 23, 2023 To October 22, 2026, In Accordance With The City's Hiring Policies; On The July 11, 2023 Public Safety Committee Agenda

23-0551

3.14 Subject: Housing, Residential Rent And Relocation Board

From: Office Of The Mayor

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Confirming The Mayor's Appointment Of Kara Brodfuehrer As A Landlord Representative And Christopher Jackson As An Alternate Landlord Representative To The Housing, Residential Rent And Relocation Board; On The July 13, 2023 Rules And Legislation Committee Agenda 23-0546

3.15 Subject: Leona Quarry GHAD Meeting

From: Leona Quarry GHAD

Recommendation: Adopt The Following Pieces Of Leona Quarry Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD) Legislation:

1) A Leona Quarry GHAD Resolution No. 2023/01 Appointing Oakland City Council District 6 Representative As The Leona Quarry Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD) Board Chair;

23-0529

- 2) A Leona Quarry GHAD Resolution No. 2023/02 Reinstating A Levy Amount Of \$ 728.93 Per Resident Unit And Approving The GHAD Budget For 2023/2024 Fiscal Year (FY) With An Update To The GHAD General Manager Payment Limit Under The Consulting Services Agreement, And 23-0530
- 3) A Leona Quarry GHAD Resolution No. 2023/03 Acknowledging A Change In The Law Firm Name To Fennemore Wendel Serving As GHAD Attorney And Clerk And Approve The Contract For Legal And Clerk Services; On The July 18, 2023 City Council Agenda 23-0531
- 3.16 Subject: Oakland Area GHAD Meeting

From: Oakland Area GHAD

Recommendation: Adopt The Following Pieces Of Oakland Area Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD) Legislation:

1) A Oakland Area GHAD Resolution No. 2023/01 Appointing Oakland City Council District 6 Representative As The Oakland Area Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD) Board Chair

23-0532

2) A Oakland Area GHAD Resolution No. 2023/02 Approving The GHAD Budget For 2023/2024 Fiscal Year (FY) With An Update To The GHAD General Manager Payment Limit Under The Consulting Services Agreement 23-0533

3) A Oakland Area GHAD Resolution No. 2023/02 Acknowledging A Change In The Law Firm Name To Fennemore Wendel Serving As GHAD Attorney And Clerk And Approve The Contract For Legal And Clerk Services; On The July 18, 2023 City Council Agenda 23-0534

3.17 Subject: OPD MOU With United States Marshals (USMS)

From: Office Of The City Administrator

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator Or Designee To Enter Into A Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) Through September 30, 2026 With The United States Marshals Service (USMS) To Allow Oakland Police Department (OPD) Participation In The Northern District Of California Regional Fugitive Taskforce For The Purpose Of Locating And Apprehending Fugitives; On The July 18, 2023 City Council Agenda On Consent

23-0547

3.18 Subject: OPD MOU With Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms And Explosives (ATF)

From: Office Of The City Administrator

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Enter Into A Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) Through September 30, 2026 With The Bureau Of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms And Explosives (ATF) And The Oakland Police Department (OPD) For The Purpose Of Reimbursement Of Overtime Salary And Other Costs Related To OPD Participation In The ATF Taskforce; On The July 18, 2023 City Council Agenda On Consent

<u>23-0548</u>

3.19 Subject: OPD MOU with Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)

From: Office Of The City Administrator

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Enter Into A Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) Through September 30, 2023 With The United States Department Of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) To Form The Oakland Police Department (OPD) DEA Task Force Group (Task Force) To Collaborate On Information Sharing And Focused Operations To Disrupt Illegal Drug Activity Occurring In The City Of Oakland.; On The July 18, 2023 City Council Agenda On Consent 23-0550

3.20 Subject: Resolution Recognizing Team Oakland

From: Councilmember Reid

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Recognizing Team Oakland For Participating In The 2023 International Children's Games To Be Held In Daegu, South Korea; On The July 18, 2023 City Council Agenda As A Ceremonial 23-0553

3.21 Subject: Oakland 2045 General Plan Update: Certification Of The Final Environmental Impact Report For Phase 1 Of The City Of Oakland 2045 General Plan Update And Adoption Of The Safety And, Environmental Justice Elements And The Planning Code Text And Map Amendments

From: Planning And Building Department

Recommendation: Adopt The Following Pieces Of Legislation:

1) A Resolution, As Recommended By The City Planning Commission, Approving The Following Actions: (A) Certifying The Environmental Impact Report And Making Related California Environmental Quality Act Findings; (B) Adopting An Amendment To The Safety Element Of The City Of Oakland General Plan; (C) Adopting The Environmental Justice Element As A New Element Of The City Of Oakland General Plan; And (D) Adopting Conforming Amendments To The Land Use And Transportation Element Of The City Of Oakland General Plan, Including General Plan Map Amendments, As Part Of Implementation Of The Recently Adopted 2023-2031 Housing Element; And 23-0535

- 2) An Ordinance, As Recommended By The City Planning Commission, Adopting Various Planning Code Text And Map Amendments To Implement Actions Proposed In Phase 1 Of The City Of Oakland 2045 General Plan Update, Including
- (A) Updates To The Detached Unit Residential (RD) Zone, Changes To Density In Mixed Housing Type Residential (RM) Zones, Hillside Residential-4 (RH-4) Zone, And Urban Residential (RU) Zones, Creation Of A New Two- To Four-Family Residential Facility Type, Changes To Conditional Use Permit Requirements (Including Elimination Of Conditionally Permitted Densities), Creation Of A New Regional Commercial-2 (CR-2) Zone, Changes To Parking Requirements, Height Changes Along Transit Corridors, And Density And Zoning Map Changes;
- (B) Creating A New S-13 Affordable Housing Combining Zone;
- (C) Creating A New S-14 Housing Sites Combining Zone;
- (D) Amending Conditional Use Permit Requirements For Housing And Business Mix (HBX) Commercial Zones, Commercial Industrial Mix (CIX), General Industrial (IG), And Industrial Office (IO) Zones;
- (E) Amending Expiration Timelines For Nonconforming Uses And CUP Termination Timelines For Truck-Intensive Uses;
- (F) Adopting Amendments To Facilitate The Production Of Special Housing Types Such As Rooming Units, Efficiency Units, Employee Housing, Residential Care Facilities, Transitional And Supportive Housing, Low Barrier Navigation Centers, And Emergency Shelters;
- (G) Adopting Various Amendments Which Codify Administrative Practices, Update References, Clarify Language, And Other Conforming Changes; And
- (H) Adopting Appropriate California Environmental Quality Act Findings; On The September 12, 2023 Community And Economic Development Committee Agenda And On The September 19, 2023 City Council Agenda As A Public Hearing <a href="23-0536">23-0536</a>

4 Review Of Draft Agendas, Pending Lists, City Council And Committee Meetings And Oral Report Out Of The Closed Session Agenda 23-0489

Attachments: June 26, 2023 Special City Council Budget Agenda

June 27, 2023 Finance And Management Committee Agenda

June 27, 2023 Public Works And Transportation Committee Agenda

June 27, 2023 Community And Economic Development Committee Agenda

June 27, 2023 Life Enrichment Committee Agenda

June 27, 2023 Public Safety Committee Agenda

June 29, 2023 Rules And Legislation Committee Agenda

Finance And Management Committee Pending List

Public Works And Transportation Committee Pending List

Community And Economic Development Committee Pending List

Education Partnership Committee Pending List

Life Enrichment Pending List

Public Safety Committee Pending List
Rules And Legislation Pending List

CANCELLED July 4, 2023 Meeting Of The Oakland City Council Agenda

CANCELLED July 6, 2023 Rules And Legislation Committee Agenda

## **Open Forum**

## Adjournment

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