



**CITY OF OAKLAND
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS**

**Draft Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, October 27, 2021
5:30 PM
Via Zoom**

The meeting was called to order and convened at 5:31 PM.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Upon call of the roll the members were as follows: 9 Present - Janny Castillo, Candice Elder, Joey Harrison, Alexis Lozano, James Mittelberger, Tomiquia Moss, Trent Rhorer, Beth Stokes, Mark Walker

2. Public Comment

There was (1) one public speaker.

3. Approval of July 28, 2021, Draft Minutes

A motion was made by James Mittelberger and seconded by Joey Harrison to approve the draft meeting minutes of July 28, 2021. Upon call of the vote the motion passed by 5 Ayes: Janny Castillo, Candice Elder, Joey Harrison, James Mittelberger, Mark Walker; 4 Recused: Alexis Lozano, Tomiquia Moss, Trent Rhorer, Beth Stokes - 4.

4. The Selection of Officers

The Commission discussed leadership options in the selection of commission officers.

A motion was made by Janey Castillo and seconded by Mark Walker to nominate Mark Walker as Chair of the Commission and nominate Janny Castillo as the Vice-Chair of the Commission. Upon call of the vote, the motion passed 9 Ayes: Chair Walker, Vice-Chair Castillo, Elder, Harrison, Lozano, Mittelberger, Moss, Rhorer, Stokes

5. Draft By-Laws and Rules of Procedure Presented for Discussion

The Commission heard a presentation of the final draft of the bylaws with the following amendments proposed by the staff: 1) that the proposed establishment of a subcommittee of unhoused advisors is directed to the policy committee to plan and coordinate outreach to ensure participation in the development of homeless policies with the support of Commissioner Harrison, and 2) replace the draft lobbyist reporting language with new language that requires commission members report lobbyist activities consistent with the reporting procedures of the Ethics Commission on the event commission members are contacted by individuals attempting to influence the decisions of the Commission.

The Commission discussed the matter and as requested by Commissioner Mittelberger, proposed the bylaws include an additional amendment that the duty of presiding over the commission meetings alternate between the Chair and Vice-Chair.

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A motion was made by Tomiquia Moss and seconded by James Mittelberger to adopt the By-Laws and the above-proposed amendments recommended by staff and Commissioner Mittelberger. Upon call of the vote, the motion passed unanimously of 9 Ayes: Chair Walker, Vice-Chair Castillo, Elder, Harrison, Lozano, Mittelberger, Moss, Rhorer, Stokes

6. Consideration of Future Agenda Items

Staff requested agenda items are identified for future meetings. Commission members discussed items and proposed the following items:

1. Report on how the Commission will interface with the City Council and Council committees, and how this commission will inform the Council on policy and budget recommendations.
2. Review of the Path Plan, and the Encampment Management Policy
3. Review of the City Audit on Encampment Management Activities
4. Resolution continuing to conduct meetings online.

Commissioner Mittelberger proposed that the Chair and Vice-Chair undertake the development of agenda items, including the items identified during this meeting.

A motion was made by James Mittelberger and seconded by Vice-Chair Janny Castillo to refer this matter to the Chair and Vice-Chair for the development of the future agenda items to also include matters identified during discussion. Upon call of the vote, the motion passed unanimously of 9 Ayes: Chair Walker, Vice-Chair Castillo, Elder, Harrison, Lozano, Mittelberger, Moss, Rhorer, Stokes

7. Open Forum

There were (2) two public speakers.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm