



**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: Present - Janny Castillo, Candice Elder, Joey Harrison, Alexis Lozano, James Mittelberger, Tomiquia Moss, Trent Rhorer, Beth Stokes, Mark Walker - 9

**2. Public Comment**

There was (1) one public speaker.

**3. Approval of July 28, 2021 Draft Minutes**

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

**4. The Selection of Officers**

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Janny Castillo and seconded by Commissioner 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 unanimously by Ayes: Elder, Harrison, Lozano, Mittelberger, Moss, Rhorer, Stokes, Vice-Chair Castillo, Chair Walker - 9

**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 in the event commission members are contacted by individuals attempting to influence the decisions of the Commission.

At the request of Commissioner Mittelberger, the Commission also included an additional amendment to the By-laws that provided that the duty of presiding over the commission meetings

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

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

alternate between the Chair and Vice-Chair.

A motion was made by Commissioner Tomiquia Moss and seconded by Commissioner 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 by Ayes: Elder, Harrison, Lozano, Mittelberger, Moss, Rhorer, Stokes, Vice-Chair Castillo, Chair Walker - 9

**6. Consideration of Future Agenda Items**

Agenda items for future meetings were identified during the meeting. The Commission members discussed items and proposed the following items for future agendas:

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 for future meetings, including the items identified during this meeting.

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

**7. Open Forum**

**There were (2) two public speakers.**

**8. Adjournment**

**The meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.**