

CITY OF OAKLAND BUDGET ADVISORY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the City of Oakland Budget Advisory Commission (BAC) is scheduled for **Thursday, October 7, 2021** at **6:00 PM.**

Pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, all members of the Budget Advisory Commission will join the meeting via phone/video conference and no teleconference locations are required.

Commission Members:

Jay Ashford, Ken Benson, Ed Gerber, Margaret Grimsley, John McKenna, ~~Kasheica McKinney~~, Caitlin Prendiville, Sarah Price, Brenda Roberts, ~~Michael Silk~~, ~~Marchon Tatmon~~,
F/M Cmte. #1 – Vacant, D3 and D4 - Vacant

City's Representative(s):

Ecaterina Burton & Tiffany Kirkpatrick – Finance Department

Meeting Agenda:

1. Administrative Matters [5 minutes]
 - Welcome & Attendance
2. Vote on BAC Meeting Resolution of AB 361 [15 minutes] – Staff, Commission
 - Motion to move: Ed Gerber
 - Vote: Unanimous. All present Commissioners voted: Ashford, Benson, Gerber, Grimsley, Prendiville, Price, Roberts.
3. Open Forum [5 minutes]
4. Adjournment

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BUDGET ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Zoom link information:

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: Oct 7, 2021 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Topic: BAC Special Meeting: AB 361 Resolution

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OAKLAND BUDGET ADVISORY COMMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. 1

ADOPT A RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT CONDUCTING IN-PERSON MEETINGS OF THE BUDGET ADVISORY COMMISSION AND ITS COMMITTEES WOULD PRESENT IMMINENT RISKS TO ATTENDEES' HEALTH, AND ELECTING TO CONTINUE CONDUCTING MEETINGS USING TELECONFERENCING IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54953(e), A PROVISION OF AB-361.

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency related to COVID-19, pursuant to Government Code Section 8625, and such declaration has not been lifted or rescinded. *See* <https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/3.4.20-Coronavirus-SOE-Proclamation.pdf>

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the City Administrator in their capacity as the Director of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), issued a proclamation of local emergency due to the spread of COVID-19 in Oakland, and on March 12, 2020, the City Council passed Resolution No. 88075 C.M.S. ratifying the proclamation of local emergency pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code (O.M.C.) section 8.50.050(C); and

WHEREAS, City Council Resolution No. 88075 remains in full force and effect to date; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends physical distancing of at least six (6) feet whenever possible, avoiding crowds, and avoiding spaces that do not offer fresh air from the outdoors, particularly for people who are not fully vaccinated or who are at higher risk of getting very sick from COVID-19. *See* <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>;

WHEREAS, the CDC recommends that people who live with unvaccinated people avoid activities that make physical distancing hard. *See* <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/about-covid-19/caring-for-children/families.html>;

WHEREAS, the CDC recommends that older adults limit in-person interactions as much as possible, particularly when indoors. *See* <https://www.cdc.gov/aging/covid19/covid19-older-adults.html>;

WHEREAS, the CDC, the California Department of Public Health, and the Alameda County Public Health Department all recommend that people experiencing COVID-19

symptoms stay home. See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/steps-when-sick.html>;

WHEREAS, persons without symptoms may be able to spread the COVID-19 virus. See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>;

WHEREAS, fully vaccinated persons who become infected with the COVID-19 Delta variant can spread the virus to others. See <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html>;

WHEREAS, the City's public-meeting facilities are indoor facilities that do not designed to ensure circulation of fresh / outdoor air, particularly during periods of cold and/or rainy weather, and were not designed to ensure that attendees can remain six (6) feet apart; now therefore be it:

WHEREAS, holding in-person meetings would encourage community members to come to City facilities to participate in local government, and some of them would be at high risk of getting very sick from COVID-19 and/or would live with someone who is at high risk; and

WHEREAS, in-person meetings would tempt community members who are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms to leave their homes in order to come to City facilities and participate in local government; and

WHEREAS, attendees would use ride-share services and/or public transit to travel to in-person meetings, thereby putting them in close and prolonged contact with additional people outside of their households; now therefore be it:

RESOLVED: that the Budget Advisory Commission finds and determines that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and hereby adopts and incorporates them into this Resolution; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that, based on these determinations and consistent with federal, state and local health guidance, the Budget Advisory Commission determines that conducting in-person meetings would pose imminent risks to the health of attendees; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Budget Advisory Commission firmly believes that the community's health and safety seriously and the community's right to participate in local government, are both critically important, and is committed to balancing the two by continuing to use teleconferencing to conduct public meetings, in accordance with California Government Code Section 54953(e), a provision of AB-361; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Budget Advisory Commission will renew these (or similar) findings at least every thirty (30) days in accordance with California Government Code section 54953(e) until the state of emergency related to COVID-19 has been lifted, or the Budget Advisory Commission finds that in-person meetings no longer pose imminent risks to the health of attendees, whichever is occurs first.