



# City of Emeryville

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Member Erica Zepko  
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Council Liaison John Bauters

## **Action Minutes** **Emeryville Housing Committee Meeting** Teleconference via UCx Wednesday, April 1, 2020 6:00 p.m.

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM.

### **2. Roll Call:**

Members Present: Kris Owens, Sheryle Bolton, Buzz Cardoza, Ryan Greenberg, Marchelle Huggins, Jordan Wax, Erica Zepko, Council Liaison John Bauters

Members Absent: Henry Symons, Whitney Rubin

Staff Present: Valerie Bernardo, Community & Economic Development Coordinator II  
Sherri Hartz, City Clerk

### **3. Public Comment – None**

### **4. March 4, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes.**

Chair Owens called the meeting to order. A motion to approve the March 4, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Member Bolton. The motion was seconded by Member Cardoza. The motion passed unanimously.

### **5. Action Items**

#### **5.1 Review and Provide Recommendation on Affected Tenant Rental Repayment Ordinance**

Valerie Bernardo presented on the Tenant Rental Repayment Ordinance, in which Chapter 50 of the Title 5 of the Emeryville Municipal Code would be amended to provide Affected Tenants a 12-month repayment plan for rent arrears. A discussion ensued

regarding exempt landlords and whether lodging houses should be exempt from the ordinance. A motion was made to approve the recommended ordinance but remove lodging houses from the exempt landlord category. The motion passed unanimously.

## **5.2 Review and Provide Recommendation on COVID-19 Residential Relief Program(s)**

Valerie Bernardo presented on the COVID 19 Residential Relief Program, in which the City would provide \$400,000 in financial support to impacted tenants at risk of losing their shelter or being displaced due to an inability to pay rent. The Committee discussed the importance of marketing the program, whether \$400,000 was enough to support the program and whether Section 8 residents should or should not be exempt from participating in the program. A motion was made to approve the program and allow the program to receive other funds from additional sources. The motion passed unanimously.

## **6. Information Items**

### **6.1 Overview of Temporary Eviction Moratorium Ordinance**

Valerie Bernardo provided an update on the Temporary Eviction Moratorium Ordinance that was adopted by City Council on March 19, 2020. The moratorium is on residential and commercial evictions due to nonpayment of rent and foreclosures initiated by Homeowner Associations due to nonpayment of assessments, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **6.2 Overview of COVID-19 Private, State and Federal Housing Resources for Emeryville Residents**

Valerie Bernardo provided an overview on a variety of Housing resources that are available for Emeryville residents.

### **6.3 Update on 4300 San Pablo RFQ/P Timeline**

Valerie Bernardo provided an update on the revised timeline for the submission of Phase 2 of the RFQ/P for the Design and Development of 4300 San Pablo Avenue.

- 7. Future Agenda Items - None**
- 8. Announcements/Member Comments**
- 9. Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 7:10pm.

Prepared by: Valerie Bernardo  
Valerie Bernardo, Community and Economic Development Coordinator

Approved by Committee: June 3, 2020