

Meeting Minutes City of Oakland

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***Public Safety Committee**

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

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Tuesday, February 27, 2007

7:30 PM

Hearing Room One - 1st Floor

Roll Call / Call to Order

Councilmember Present: 4 - Member Nadel, Member Kernighan, Member Quan
and Chair Reid

The Oakland City Council Public Safety Committee convened at 7:44 p.m., with

Councilmember Reid presiding as Chairperson.

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Approval of the Draft Minutes from the Committee Meeting held on February 13, 2007

A motion was made by Member Nadel, seconded by Member Quan, to

***Approve the Minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Votes:

Councilmember Aye: Member Nadel, Member Kernighan, Member Quan and

Chair Reid

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Determination of Schedule of Outstanding Committee Items

A motion was made by Member Quan, seconded by Member Nadel, to

***Approve as Submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:**

Votes:

Councilmember Aye: Member Nadel, Member Kernighan, Member Quan and

Chair Reid

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Subject: Medical Cannabis Dispensary Permits

From: Office of the City Administrator

Recommendation: Receive An Annual Report On The Operation Of Oakland's Permitted

Medical Cannabis Dispensaries

[06-0867](#)

A motion was made by Member Nadel, seconded by Member Kernighan,

that this matter be *Received and Filed. The motion carried by the

following vote:

Votes:

Councilmember No: Chair Reid

Councilmember Aye: Member Nadel, Member Kernighan and Member Quan

The Committee directed staff to submit a scheduling request to the Rules and

Legislation Committee for a report regarding action on protocol for cannabis

vaporization, legal issues of cultivation and tax revenue generation.

The following individual(s) spoke in favor of this item:

- *Jeff W. Jones*

- *Dave Wedding Dress*

The following individual(s) spoke and indicated a neutral position on this item:

- *Dale Gieringer*

- *Robert Raich*

The following individual(s) spoke and did not indicate a position on this item:

- *Richard S. Lee*

- *Angel Raich*

- *Chris Conrad*

- *Mikko Norris*

- *Richard Rodney Muller*

- *Stephen DeAngelo*

- *Rebecca Lynn Saltzman*

- *Michael J. Nolin*

- *Sanjiv Handa*

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Subject: Fire Fighting Capacity

From: Councilmember Nancy J. Nadel

Recommendation: Action On A Report And Recommendations From The Chief Of Oakland

Fire Department, Regarding Firefighting Capacity For High-Rise Buildings And The Impacts

From Current/Proposed Large Scale Housing Developments On The Department's Future

Staffing and Equipment Needs

06-0969

A motion was made by Member Nadel, seconded by Member Kernighan,

that this matter be Continued to the *Public Safety Committee. The

motion carried by the following vote:

Votes:

Councilmember Aye: Member Nadel, Member Kernighan, Member Quan and

Chair Reid

This item was continued to a future committee meeting with No Specific Date.

The Committee directed staff to report to back with the following information:

1) Plan for sprinkler systems in existing high rise buildings; 2) additional

requirements for new development and possible developer funding; 3)

departments working together on new buildings; and 4) an ordinance for

sprinkler retrofitting.

The following individual(s) spoke in favor of this item:

- Shawn Stark

The following individual(s) spoke and did not indicate a position on this item:

- Sanjiv Handa

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Subject: Oakland's Taxi Operation

From: Office of the City Administrator

Recommendation: Action On A Report And Recommendations On The Current Structure Of

Oakland's Taxi Industry, Problems Reported To The City Regarding Taxis, Results Of Oakland

Municipal Code (OMC) Mandated Biennial Taxi Hearing, And Recommendations For

Amendments To Certain Sections Of Oakland's Taxi Ordinance

[06-1098](#)

A motion was made by Member Kernighan, seconded by Member Quan,

that this matter be Continued to the *Public Safety Committee. The

motion carried by the following vote:

Votes:

Councilmember Aye: Member Nadel, Member Kernighan, Member Quan and

Chair Reid

This item was continued to a future committee meeting with No Specific Date.

The Committee directed staff to meet with all stakeholders to draft an ordinance

addressing the following issues and return to committee: 1) Options and advice

on economic issues such as drop flag and waiting time rates and how these

compare to other cities; 2) reinforcing 'employee status' for taxi drivers; 3)

language requiring minimum higher usage rates; 4) number of taxi stands; 5)

leveraging of fines for non-response to service calls; 6) taxi voucher program;

7) ownership monopoly issues; 8) system to prevent people from buying permits

and selling to others and eliminating transferability of permits to ensure that

the City is in control of medallions; and 9) transition from the current system to

a new system. The Committee also directed the Taxi Detail to handle issues

administratively.

The following individual(s) spoke and did not indicate a position on this item:

- *Robert W. Aiello*

- *Wahid Aslumi*

- *Sharaf Eldin Nosur*

- *Kasim J. Rahmani*

- *Anwar Zachram*

- *Sanjiv Handa*

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Subject: Urban Search And Rescue - FEMA Grant

From: Oakland Fire Department

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To: 1) Apply For,

Accept And Appropriate A Grant From The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

For The Period June 01, 2007 To September 30, 2008 In The Amount Of Seven Hundred Sixty

Nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$769,500) To Meet Continuing Management, Training

And Equipment Needs Of The Fire Department's Urban Search And Rescue (USAR) Team, 2)

Waive The City's Competitive Bidding Requirements And Authorize Procurement Of

Equipment From The General Services Administration Agency, And 3) Award Equipment

Contracts Without Return To Council

06-1109

A motion was made by Member Quan, seconded by Member Nadel, that

this matter be *Approve the Recommendation of Staff, and Forward to the

Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Agency/City Council,

due back on March 6, 2007 as a Consent Calendar item. The motion

carried by the following vote:

Votes:

Councilmember Aye: Member Nadel, Member Kernighan, Member Quan and
Chair Reid

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Subject: Volunteers Of America Agreement Amendment

From: Department Of Human Services

Recommendation: Adopt A Resolution Authorizing The City Administrator To Accept And

Appropriate \$1,208,333 In An Intergovernmental Partnership Grant From The California

Department Of Corrections And Rehabilitation For Reentry Programs Coordinated With The

Violence Prevention And Public Safety Act Of 2004 And Authorizing The City Administrator

To Execute An Amendment To The Agreement Between The City Of Oakland And Volunteers

Of America, Bay Area For An Amount Not To Exceed \$119,000 To Implement Project Choice

For The Period Of February 1, 2007 To June 30, 2007 With Two Twelve-Month Options To

Renew For An Amount Not To Exceed \$270,000 Per Year

06-1126

A motion was made by Member Quan, seconded by Member Nadel, that

this matter be *Approve the Recommendation of Staff, and Forward to the

Concurrent Meeting of the Oakland Redevelopment Agency/City Council,

due back on March 6, 2007 as a Consent Calendar item. The motion

carried by the following vote:

Votes:

Councilmember Aye: Member Nadel, Member Kernighan, Member Quan and

Chair Reid

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Open Forum (TOTAL TIME AVAILABLE: 15 MINUTES)

The following individual(s) spoke under Open Forum:

- Sanjiv Handa

Adjournment

There being no further business, and upon the motion duly made, the Oakland

City Council Public Safety Committee adjourned the meeting at 9:48 p.m.

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be taken.

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