

**CITY OF ALBANY
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
STAFF REPORT**

Agenda Date: March 19, 2012
Reviewed by: BP

SUBJECT: Appointment of Harriet Patterson to City of Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission

REPORT BY: Nicole Almaguer, City Clerk

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Council consider authorizing the appointment of Harriett Patterson to the Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission for approval by the City of Berkeley City Council.

BACKGROUND

The Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission is comprised of seventeen members appointed by the Berkeley City Council. Two of the members are to be residents of the City of Albany (one of whom representing the special public interest), for a three year term.

As listed on the City of Berkeley's website, the Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission strives to:

- Provide effective oversight of the Berkeley/Albany Mental Health System.
- Ensure services are delivered with dignity and respect and in compliance with all regulatory and statutory guidelines.
- Ensure that services are effective, efficient, and responsive to the needs and desires of clients.
- Promote Cultural Competence and Wellness, Recovery, Resilience oriented services.
- Advocate with the Berkeley and Albany City Councils, Alameda County Behavioral Health Care, and the Berkeley Mental Health Division.

DISCUSSION

An application has been received by City of Berkeley staff from Harriett Patterson, an Albany resident (attached). Per City of Albany Resolution No. 08-50, the Albany City Council will review applications and select the recommended applicants for appointment to the Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission. The City Clerk is to then transmit the recommended appointment to the City of Berkeley.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT

N/A.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

N/A.

Attachments

1. Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Member Application
2. Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Recruitment Brochure
3. Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Roster
4. Resolution No. 08-50 Regarding the Appointment of Albany Representatives to the Mental Health Commission