

Budget Committee, Academic Senate Report

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The Budget Committee held its second meeting of the semester on Monday, September 23rd, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in A5. During the school year, we meet on fourth Monday of each month. The Budget Committee's charge reads:

The Bakersfield College Budget Committee is a governance committee that supports the college mission, goals and values through comprehensive evaluation of data relevant to the college annual planning process for resource allocation.

[Budget Committee Charge and Budget Decision Criteria](#)

We made some minor changes to our Charge and Budget Decision Criteria and moved each forward in the approval process.

[VP of Finance - FON Adjusted](#)

Recently, the state reduced FON requirements based on reduced funding . As a result, KCCD has an excess of 29 FTF. So, most likely retirees won't be replaced nor new positions added for the next couple years.

[Next Meetings](#)

Monday, October 28th in A5 at 4:00 pm

Monday, November 25th (Tentative Open Budget Forum)

Affordable Rental Homes for Bakersfield College Students

Concept Proposal

In cooperation with the Kern Community College District and Bakersfield College, the Housing Authority is interested in developing 20-25 affordable rental homes targeted to Bakersfield College students on District owned property at 4021 Mt. Vernon Ave. Site amenities will include an onsite manager, community/study room, laundry room, and gated access control. Units will be zero net energy. Potential to significantly increase the number of units if the Kern Schools property to the south were made available.

Key Issues

- Requires conditional use permit to allow multifamily in Commercial Office zoning
- Target population restrictions due to likely funding sources (see below)
- Need legal opinion to confirm targeting BC students only will comply with fair housing laws
- Funding sources are highly competitive and will require the early support of the City of Bakersfield to leverage other funding sources
- Housing can be mixed use if other target populations are desired for some units and alternative funding is provided for those units.

Restrictions on Affordable Housing for Students

To prevent finite affordable housing resources from being utilized to build conventional student housing, Congress has prohibited affordable housing for students with the following exceptions:

- Students receiving TANF
- Students formerly in foster care
- Students with dependent children
- Married students

The funding sources will also require ongoing tenancy (no time limits). However, incentives can be provided to encourage students to move to other housing after two years.

Next Steps

If the KCCD and BC are interested in exploring this concept, the next steps would be:

- Housing Authority to obtain legal opinion regarding targeting BC students
- Housing Authority to meet with the City of Bakersfield re CUP and funding
- KCCD/BC to confirm target population and estimated # of eligible students
- KCCD to provide site control to Housing Authority through option agreement

About the Housing Authority

The Housing Authority of the County of Kern is the leading developer and provider of affordable housing in Kern County, with nearly 1,000 units developed in the past 10 years and over 2,500 units under management. We perform all functions in the development process, from entitlements and acquisition of funding to lease-up and ongoing management.