

**Rent Stabilization Commission  
City of West Hollywood  
Thursday, April 11, 2013 @ 7:00 PM  
West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers  
625 North San Vicente Boulevard**

**Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Gregoire called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chair Gregoire led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Commission Secretary Laura Schoonover took roll call.

**PRESENT:** Chair David Gregoire, Vice Chair Chuck Henry, Commissioner Richard Maggio, Commissioner H. Gail Sanes, and Commissioner Agassi Topchian

**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Acting Manager of Rent Stabilization and Housing Roderick Burnley, Legal Counsel Alison Regan and Commission Secretary Laura Schoonover.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion was made by Vice Chair Henry and seconded by Commissioner Sanes to approve the April 11, 2013 meeting agenda. Motion approved (5-0-0).

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Maggio and seconded by Commissioner Topchian to approve the March 28, 2013 minutes. Motion approved (4-0-1) with Chair Gregoire abstaining.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Donna Saur spoke inviting the public to the Arbor Day Tree Planting event on Holloway.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

Acting Manager of Rent Stabilization and Housing Roderick Burnley reviewed the Directors/Manager's Look Ahead Schedule. Mr. Burnley spoke of the Housing Element Update Community Conversation that was held on April 6, 2013 and gave the Commission an overview of the event.

**COMMISSION COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Topchian, who had attended the Housing Element Community Conversation, commented on his experience at the event.

**APPEALS:**

**A. Department Initiated Hearing                      814 – 816 Huntley Dr.  
(MAR)**

Alison Regan, Legal Counsel, provided a case summary and analysis of the appeal as provided in the staff report.

The Commission heard from Lyn De Shields and legal representative Robert E. Canny who were present to represent the Landlord.

The Commission heard from Tenant Jeffrey Meyer and his legal representative, Susan Balistocky.

After a public discussion among the Commission regarding the appeal, a motion was made by Commissioner Maggio to adopt Resolution 13-422 to affirm the hearing examiner's decision in the department initiated hearing. Commissioner Topchian seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed (5-0-0).

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**CHAIR'S REPORT:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**COMMISSION COMMENTS:**

Vice Chair Henry recommends a future discussion regarding the process for a former tenant who has not received a refund of overcharges and what recourse they might have and whether that is covered by the Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

**STAFF COMMENTS:** None

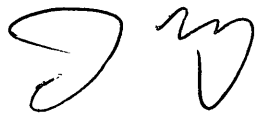
**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, Chair Gregoire adjourned the Rent Stabilization Commission meeting at 7:59 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Rent Stabilization

Commission will be held on April 25, 2013 in the West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers.

These minutes were taken and submitted by Laura Schoonover, Commission Secretary.

Adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day May, 2013



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David Gregoire, Chair

ATTEST:



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Secretary