

**Rent Stabilization Commission
City of West Hollywood
Thursday, June 23, 2016 @ 7:00 PM
West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers
625 North San Vicente Boulevard**

Minutes

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chair Sanes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Commission Secretary Laura Schoonover took roll call.

PRESENT:

Chair Gail Sanes, Vice Chair Richard Maggio, Commissioner Rob Bergstein, Commissioner David Gregoire, Commissioner Stephanie Harker, and Commissioner Josh Kurpies.

ABSENT: Commissioner Alexander Gurfinkel

STAFF PRESENT:

Rent Stabilization and Housing Manager Peter Noonan, Rent Stabilization Information Coordinator Chris Uszler, and Commission Secretary Laura Schoonover.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Gregoire to approve the agenda for the June 23, 2016 meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Maggio. The motion was approved (6-0-0).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner Bergstein requested that the June 9, 2016 minutes be amended. Specifically, he requested that wording in the summary of the presentation on smoke free apartment living be clarified. Commissioner Gregoire made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motions was seconded by Commissioner Bergstein and passed (5-0-1) with Commissioner Harker abstaining.

DIRECTOR'S/MANAGER'S REPORT:

Rent Stabilization and Housing Manager Peter Noonan reviewed the items on the Look Ahead Calendar.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Bergstein spoke regarding an article in the LA Times regarding Air B & B rentals and how they can impact rent stabilized units.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Annual General Adjustment and Relocation Fees:

A motion was made by Commissioner Gregoire and seconded by Commissioner Harker to approve resolution 16-490, a resolution of the Rent Stabilization Commission announcing that the Annual General Adjustment for September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2017 is 1%. The motion was approved (6-0-0).

A motion was made by Commissioner Bergstein and seconded by Vice Chair Maggio to approve resolution 16-491, a resolution of the Rent Stabilization Commission announcing the relocation fees effective July 1, 2016. The motion was approved (6-0-0).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Commission reviewed its comments from the May 26th presentation of the Community Development Department's Multi-Family Historic Incentives Study.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Harker commented on the National Park Service's 100th anniversary. She also spoke about outreach to seniors and housebound persons about services available to them.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Rent Stabilization and Housing Manager Peter Noonan announced that the June 28 Building Blocks seminar "Making the Connection with Social Service Providers" had been postponed. The new date will be announced at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Rent Stabilization Commission will be held on July 28, 2016 in the West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers.

These minutes were submitted by Laura Schoonover, Commission Secretary and approved by a motion of the Rent Stabilization Commission on this 28th day of July, 2016.

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ATTEST:



Gail Sanes, Chair



Commission Secretary