RENT STABILIZATION COMMISSION CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2020 TELECONFERENCE

MINUTES

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Chair Bergstein called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Commission said the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **3. ROLL CALL:** Rent Stabilization Commission Secretary Roger Vinalon Jr. took roll call.

PRESENT: Commissioner Garrett Charity, Commissioner Josh Kurpies, Commissioner Richard Maggio, Commissioner Kellan Martz, Commissioner Karen O'Keefe, Vice Chair Agassi Topchian, Chair Robert Bergstein

STAFF PRESENT: Rent Stabilization and Housing Manager Pete Noonan, Legal Counsel to the Commission Alison Regan, and Rent Stabilization Commission Secretary Roger Vinalon Jr.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Approve the agenda of November 12, 2020 as revised. Motion by Commissioner O'Keefe to approve the November 12, 2020 agenda, seconded by Commissioner Martz and approved.

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

ACTION: Approve the minutes of October 22, 2020 as revised. Motion by Commissioner Maggio, seconded by Commissioner O'Keefe, and approved.

- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.
- **7. MANAGER REPORT:** Rent Stabilization and Housing Manager Pete Noonan reviewed the look-ahead calendar.
- **8. COMMISSION COMMENTS:** Commissioner Martz congratulated City Councilmembers elect Sepi Shyne and John Erickson.

Chair Bergstein mentioned West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation is accepting applications for their newest affordable rental apartment building and commended Commissioners Martz and Charity on their work in serving on the Commission.

9. APPEAL:

A. D-4528 550 N. Orlando Avenue #107

Legal Counsel to the Commission provided a case summary and analysis of the appeal as provided in the staff report.

Following deliberation, a motion was made by Commissioner Maggio to adopt Resolution RSC 20-585, seconded by Commissioner O'Keefe. The motion was approved with a vote of 7-0.

B. D-4548 1114 N. Flores Street #5

Legal Counsel to the Commission provided a case summary and analysis of the appeal as provided in the staff report.

Following deliberation, a motion was made by Commissioner Maggio to adopt Resolution RSC 20-587, seconded by Commissioner Martz. The motion was approved with a vote of 7-0.

Chair Bergstein recessed the meeting at 8:05 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

10. NEW BUSINESS: None.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTION 20-586(b)

SUBJECT: The Rent Stabilization Commission reviewed Resolution 20-586(b) regarding case D-4539.

ACTION: Motion by Commissioner Kurpies to adopt Resolution 20-586(b) as revised, seconded by Commissioner O'Keefe. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0 with abstention by Vice Chair Topchian.

B. DISCUSSION ON ELECTION OF CHAIR

SUBJECT: The Rent Stabilization Commission discussed the election of Chair.

Chair Bergstein informed the Commission of his intention to step down as Chair in the December meeting. Legal Counsel stated the vacancy must be filled by election with the item placed on a future agenda.

ACTION: Motion by Commissioner O'Keefe to place an item on the following agenda for the election of Chair due to a vacancy, and election of Vice Chair if necessary. The motion was seconded by

Commissioner Charity and approved by a vote of 6-1, noting the "no" vote by Commissioner Maggio.

- 12. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.
- **13. COMMISSION COMMENTS:** Commissioner Maggio asked if Commissioners Charity and Martz will attend the December meeting. Both confirmed they plan to attend.

Commissioner Kurpies mentioned Covered California currently has open enrollment and encouraged the public to sign up.

Commissioner O'Keefe showed support for Commissioners Charity and Martz continuing their service on the Commission.

- 14. STAFF COMMENTS: None.
- **15. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m. The next meeting of the Rent Stabilization Commission will be held at 7:00 p.m. on December 10, 2020 via Zoom conference.

These minutes were submitted by Roger Vinalon, Commission Secretary, and approved by a motion of the Rent Stabilization Commission on this 10th day of December 2020.

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Agassi Töpehian, Chair

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