

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
RENT STABILIZATION COMMISSION
THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023 - 7:00 PM
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Wright called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
 - A. **TELECONFERENCE MEETING ATTENDANCE REQUEST PURSUANT TO AB 2449**

SUBJECT: The Rent Stabilization Commission considered a request under AB 2449 to allow attendance via teleconference for Commissioner Kellan Martz.

Legal Counsel John Natalizio addressed a procedural matter and explained AB 2449, which allows for teleconference participation under the Brown Act.

ACTION: Add an Urgency Item to the agenda and approved to allow AB 2449 for the July 27, 2023 meeting to be conducted via teleconference. **Motion by Commissioner Kurpies, seconded by Chair Wright and approved.**

ACTION: Approved the request for Commissioner Martz to participate via teleconference under AB 2449 for emergency circumstance. **Motion by Commissioner Topchian, seconded by Chair Wright and approved.**

Commissioner Martz confirmed no individuals were present over the age of eighteen.

***This meeting was a hybrid meeting held via teleconference and in-person. ***

Commissioner Bass joined the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Commission said the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL:** Rent Stabilization Commission Secretary Diane Garcia took roll call.

PRESENT: Commissioner Adam G. Bass, Commissioner Josh Kurpies, Commissioner Kellan Martz, Commissioner Agassi Topchian, Vice Chair Tina Moore and Chair Zekiah Wright

ALSO PRESENT: Rent Stabilization Manager Jonathan Holub, Legal Counsel John Natalizio, and Rent Stabilization Commission Secretary Diane Garcia

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

ACTION: Approve the agenda of July 27, 2023, as amended. **Motion by Commissioner Kurpies to approve the July 27, 2023 agenda, seconded by Vice Chair Moore and approved.**

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

ACTION: Approve the minutes of July 13, 2023. **Motion by Commissioner Bass, seconded by Commissioner Kurpies and approved.**

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** RICHARD MAGGIO, WEST HOLLYWOOD expressed his support for Chair Wright. He congratulated Commissioner Kurpies and Topchian on their years of service.
7. **MANAGER REPORT:** Rent Stabilization Manager Jonathan Holub reviewed the look ahead calendar.

8. **APPEAL:**

A. D-4735 1031 Havenhurst Dr

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

JOSEPHY LAMERS, WEST HOLLYWOOD provided public comment regarding Item 8A.

DREW CRAMER, LANDLORD presented his oral argument.

DEVELYN WATSON, TENANT presented her oral argument.

After Commission deliberation, **a motion was made by Commissioner Topchian to adopt Resolution RSC 23-630 as amended, affirming the Hearing Examiner’s Decision as to application No. D-4735. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Moore and approved with a vote of 4-2.**

Chair Wright recessed the meeting at 7:59 p.m.

Chair Wright reconvened the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

B. D-4724 1016 N Crescent Heights Blvd #4

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

MORRIS DRABINSKY, LANDLORD presented his oral argument.

SUSANA PINEDO, TENANT presented her oral argument.

After Commission deliberation, **a motion was made by Chair Wright to adopt Resolution RSC 23-631, affirming the Hearing Examiner’s Decision as to application No. D-4724 with an amendment to increase the rent decrease from \$40.00 to \$80.00 due to the landlord’s failure to repaint the unit. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Moore and did not pass with a vote of 3-3, noting the “no” votes of Commissioners Kurpies, Martz and Topchian.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Bass to adopt Resolution RSC 23-631, affirming the Hearing Examiner’s Decision as to application No. D-4724. The

motion was seconded by Commissioner Martz and approved with a vote of 5-1, noting the “no” votes of Chair Wright.

9. NEW BUSINESS: None.

10. ITEMS FROM STAFF:

A. COMMISSION LIAISON APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER COMMISSIONS AND ADVISORY BOARDS

SUBJECT: Rent Stabilization Commission received an updated list of Commission liaison(s) to other City Commissions and Advisory Boards.

Mr. Holub provided an updated list of Commission liaison appointments to other City Commissions and Advisory Boards.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

12. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Martz thanked the Commission and staff for allowing him to attend tonight via teleconference under AB 2449. He congratulated Chair Wright on their first meeting.

Commissioner Bass apologized for being late due to the full parking structure.

Vice Chair Moore, Commissioner Kurpies and Topchian congratulated Chair Wright on their first meeting.

Chair Wright highlighted the National Night Out events occurring around the city on August 1, 2023. List of event available on: <https://www.weho.org/city-government/city-departments/community-safety/public-safety/neighborhood-watch/national-night-out>

13. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm. The next meeting of the Rent Stabilization Commission will be held on Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers.

These minutes were submitted by Diane Garcia, Commission Secretary, and approved by a motion of the Rent Stabilization Commission on this 10th day of August 2023.

A copy of the audio recording of this meeting can be obtained from the City Clerk’s office upon request. You may also view a video of this meeting at <http://www.weho.org/weho-tv/other-city-meetings>.

ATTEST:

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Tina Moore
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Tina Moore, Acting Chair



Diane Garcia, Commission Secretary

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