

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD  
RENT STABILIZATION COMMISSION  
THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2024 - 7:00 PM  
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

**MINUTES**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chair Tina Moore called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Topchian led 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 Agassi Topchian, and Vice Chair Tina Moore

ALSO PRESENT: Rent Stabilization Manager Cameron Kesinger, Legal Counsel Kellan Martz, and Rent Stabilization Commission Secretary Diane Garcia

ABSENT: Commissioner Frank D. Rorie Jr.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**ACTION:** Approve the agenda of July 25, 2024. **Motion by Commissioner Bass to approve the July 25, 2024 agenda, seconded by Commissioner Kurpies and approved.**

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ACTION:** Approve the minutes of June 27, 2024. **Motion by Commissioner Topchian, seconded by Vice Chair Moore and approved.**

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

7. **MANAGER REPORT:** Rent Stabilization Manager Cameron Kesinger reviewed the look-ahead calendar.

8. **APPEAL:**

**A. D-4837                      1006 N Doheny Dr #10**

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

NIDIA LOBOS, HOLLYWOOD presented her oral argument.

CHRISTINA GERACI, WEST HOLLYWOOD presented her oral argument.

After Commission deliberation, **a motion was made by Commissioner Topchian to adopt RSC Resolution 24-651 affirming the Hearing Examiner's Decision as to application No. D-4837. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bass and passed unanimously.**

## **9. NEW BUSINESS:**

### **A. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RENT STABILIZATION ORDINANCE AND RENT STABILIZATION REGULATIONS**

*SUBJECT: The Rent Stabilization Commission considered recommending amendments to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance and Rent Stabilization Regulations to the City Council.*

Mr. Kesinger presented the proposed amendments to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance and Rent Stabilization Regulations.

The Commissioners asked clarifying questions and commented on the proposed amendments to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance and Rent Stabilization Regulation.

RICK WATTZ, WEST HOLLYWOOD spoke in support of removing the 30-day requirement from Rent Stabilization Regulation 60002 and requiring the landlord to relocate tenants.

**ACTIONS:** Recommend to the City Council that it approve:

- 1) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE WEST HOLLYWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO TRANSFER TO A DIFFERENT RENTAL UNIT FOR CERTAIN QUALIFIED TENANTS AND REPOSSESSION OF A RENTAL UNIT FOR AUTHORIZED CORRECTION OF VIOLATIONS; and
- 2) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD AMENDING RENT STABILIZATION REGULATIONS 20001, 60002, AND 60041.1
- 3) THOROUGHLY REVIEW AMENDMENT TO RSO SECTION 17.52.010(13) LANGUAGE TO ENSURE LANDLORDS DO NOT HAVE THE ABILITY TO EXPLOIT THIS SECTION TO THE DETRIMENT OF TENANTS
- 4) AMENDING RENT STABILIZATION REGULATION 60002 WITH 'IN CASES WHERE LANDLORD HAS PROVIDED WRITTEN NOTIFICATION THAT SERVICE WILL BE REDUCED OR REMOVED AT SOME FUTURE DATE, UPON THE REMOVAL OF SERVICE, THE 30-DAY REQUIREMENT NOTICE SHALL BE WAIVED TO FILE A RENT REDUCTION HEARING APPLICATION' **Motion by Commissioner Kurpies and seconded by Commissioner Bass and passed unanimously.**

### **B. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR**

Commissioners discussed whether the election of Chair and Vice Chair would occur.

JOHN ERICKSON, WEST HOLLYWOOD thanked Vice Chair Moore for her public service as a Commissioner.

#### 1) *ELECTION OF CHAIR*

Nominations opened for Chairperson. Nominations then closed, and the vote was taken.

Vice Chair Moore nominated Commissioner Bass, and the nomination was accepted.

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**ACTION: The Rent Stabilization Commission unanimously elected Commissioner Bass as the Chair.**

**2) ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR**

**ACTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Kurpies to table the election of Vice Chair, seconded by Commissioner Topchian, and passed unanimously.**

**C. COMMISSION LIAISON APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER COMMISSIONS AND ADVISORY BOARDS**

No liaison appointments were made.

**10. ITEMS FROM STAFF:** None.

**11. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

**12. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS:** Commissioner Kurpies welcomed Legal Counsel Kellan Martz and thanked Vice Chair Moore for her service.

Commissioner Topchian thanked Vice Chair Moore for her service and congratulated Chair Bass and Legal Counsel Kellan Martz.

Vice Chair Moore thanked the Rent Stabilization Commission, staff, and residents for the opportunity to serve the city.

Chair Bass inquired about the process of making recommendations to staff regarding Rent Stabilization Ordinance (RSO) changes and thanked Vice Chair Moore for her service. He notified the Commission of his absence from the August 22, 2024 meeting.

**13. ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m. The next meeting of the Rent Stabilization Commission will be held on Thursday, August 8, 2024, 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 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2024.

**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>.**

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**Diane Garcia, Commission Secretary**

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