

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
RENT STABILIZATION COMMISSION
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 - 7:00 PM
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Bass called the meeting to order at 6:58 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Topchian led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **COUNCILMEMBER JOHN HEILMAN ADMINISTERED THE OATH OF OFFICE TO ALEX PARIS, KAITLIN MCCAFFERTY, AND RENA GOLDMAN**
4. **ROLL CALL:** Rent Stabilization Commission Secretary Roger Vinalon Jr. took roll call.

PRESENT: Commissioner Rena Goldman, Commissioner Josh Kurpies, Commissioner Kaitlin McCafferty, Commissioner Alex Paris, Commissioner Agassi Topchian, Vice Chair Frank D. Rorie, and Chair Adam G. Bass

ALSO PRESENT: Rent Stabilization Manager Cameron Kesinger, Legal Counsel Kellan Martz, and Rent Stabilization Commission Secretary Roger Vinalon Jr.

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

ACTION: Approve the agenda of September 26, 2024 as amended. **Motion by Vice Chair Rorie to approve the September 26, 2024 agenda as amended, seconded by Commissioner Kurpies and approved.**

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

ACTION: Approve the minutes of August 8, 2024 as amended. **Motion by Commissioner Kurpies, seconded by Vice Chair Rorie and approved, noting the abstentions by Commissioners Goldman, McCafferty, and Paris.**

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

ERIC BUSHARD, WEST HOLLYWOOD, spoke on proposed methodologies for calculating the interest rate on security deposits.

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

9. **APPEAL:**

A. D-4865 7978 ½ Norton Ave.

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

DENISSE AYALA presented her oral argument.

ALICE CUTLER, WEST HOLLYWOOD presented her oral argument.

After Commission deliberation, **a motion was made by Commissioner Topchian to adopt RSC Resolution 24-653 affirming-in-part and modifying-in-part the Hearing Examiner’s Decision as to application No. D-4865. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Paris and passed unanimously.**

B. D-4846 1205 N. Hayworth Ave. #7

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

DENISSE AYALA presented her oral argument.

ROXANNE SARHANGI, WEST HOLLYWOOD, did not attend.

After Commission deliberation, **a motion was made by Commissioner Kurpies to adopt RSC Resolution 24-652 affirming the Hearing Examiner’s Decision as to application No. D-4846. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCafferty and passed unanimously.**

10. NEW BUSINESS:

A. RESCISSION OF RESOLUTION RSC 23-622

SUBJECT: The Rent Stabilization Commission will consider rescinding Resolution RSC 23-622 by adopting the Writ Resolution RSC 24-654.

Legal Counsel provided an overview of the rescission and answered clarifying questions from the Commission.

ACTION: Chair Bass motioned to adopt Resolution RSC 24-654 rescinding Resolution RSC No. 23-622. The motion was seconded by Vice Chair Rorie and passed unanimously.

11. ITEMS FROM STAFF: None.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

13. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Kurpies welcomed the new commissioners and thanked Mr. Bushard for his comments regarding the calculation of security deposit interest rates. He suggested landlords provide additional feedback on the issue prior to considering changes to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

Commissioner Topchian congratulated the newly appointed commissioners.

Commissioner Paris thanked the Commission for the warm welcome and thanked Councilmember Heilman for administering the Oath of Office.

Chair Bass welcomed the new commissioners.

Commissioner Goldman thanked the Commission for the warm welcome.

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14. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. The next meeting of the Rent Stabilization Commission will be held on Thursday, October 10, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers.

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

ATTEST:

Signed by:

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Adam G. Bass, Chair



Roger Vinalon Jr., Commission Secretary

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