



City of Mountain View

Minutes

Rental Housing Committee

Monday, April 19, 2021

7:00 PM

Video Conference with
No Physical Meeting Location

1. CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Committee Member Julian Pardo de Zela, Committee Member Nicole Haines-Livesay, Committee Member Guadalupe Rosas, Vice Chair Susyn Almond, Chair Nicole Emily Ramos, and Alternate Matthew Grunewald

3. PRESENTATION

Deputy City Clerk Wong performed the ceremonial Oath of Office for newly appointed RHC members.

4. MINUTES APPROVAL

MOTION: M/S - Almond / Rosas - To approve the minutes for the March 22, 2021 RHC meeting.

Yes: 5 - Committee Member Julian Pardo de Zela, Committee Member Nicole Haines-Livesay, Committee Member Guadalupe Rosas, Vice Chair Susyn Almond, Chair Nicole Emily Ramos

5. CONSENT CALENDAR - None

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Edie Keating congratulated the new and continuing members of the RHC.

Alex Brown congratulated the new RHC members and noted that he believes Committee Member Rosas will do a great job.

Bee Hanson stated that she is proud of new member Rosas and know she will do a good job.

7. APPEAL HEARINGS - None

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Quarterly Financial Expenditures FY 2020-21 through March 31, 2021

Program Manager van Deursen presented a report and responded to questions.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:

No public comments were received.

The RHC reviewed the Quarterly Financial Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2020-21 through March 31, 2021 and provided feedback.

9.2 Bi-Annual Review of Consumer Price Indices for Fair Return Calculations of Petitions for Upward Adjustment

Analyst Black presented a report and responded to questions.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:

Eddie Keating

Alex Brown

The RHC received an informational review of the Consumer Price Indices for Fair Return Calculations of Petitions for Upward Adjustment of Rent and provided feedback.

9.3 Eviction Prevention and Defense Program

Program Manager van Deursen presented a report and responded to questions.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:

Jeff Zell

Alex Brown

Rohin Ghosh

MOTION: M/S - Nicole / Almond - (with a friendly amendment by Chair Ramos to increase the AMI limit to 120%) To contract for legal eviction services, with a maximum of \$45,000 for Fiscal Year 2021-2022, for tenants facing eviction due to COVID-19 non-payments of rent with an income limit of 120% AMI and to a formalized multi-pronged Eviction Prevention and Defense Program.

Yes: 4 - Committee Member Nicole Haines-Livesay, Committee Member Guadalupe Rosas, Vice Chair Susyn Almond, Chair Nicole Emily Ramos

No: 1 - Committee Member Pardo de Zela

9.4 Update on Invoicing for CSFRA Annual Rental Housing Fees and CSFRA Database Registration Progress

Analyst Kennedy presented a report and responded to questions.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:

Jeff Zell

Alex Brown

The RHC received an update on invoicing for the CSFRA Annual Rental Housing Fees and CSFRA annual property registration progress and provided feedback.

9.5 Election of a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson

Program Manager van Deursen presented a report and responded to questions.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:

Ellie Greene

Alex Brown

MOTION: M/S - Ramos / Pardo de Zela - To elect Vice-Chair Almond to serve as Chairperson and Committee Member Haines-Livesay as Vice-Chairperson for an annual term from May 2021 until end of April 2022.

Yes: 5 - Committee Member Julian Pardo de Zela, Committee Member Nicole Haines-Livesay, Committee Member Guadalupe Rosas, Vice Chair Susyn Almond, Chair Nicole Emily Ramos

10. COMMITTEE/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS, AND COMMITTEE**10.1** Monthly Status Report March 2021

Analyst Black presented the monthly status reports for March 2021.

10.2 Update on City's COVID-19 landlord/tenant programs

Analyst Kennedy presented an update on the City's landlord and tenant COVID19 programs.

10.3 Upcoming Monthly Workshops and Office Hours

Analyst Kennedy presented the upcoming workshop, clinic and office hours.

11. ADJOURNMENT - At 10:04 p.m., Chair Ramos adjourned the meeting to the next RHC meeting to be held on Monday May 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via video conference.