



RHC

June 14, 2021

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 Emily Ramos, Committee Member Guadalupe Rosas, Vice Chair Nicole Haines-Livesay, Chair Susyn Almond, and Alternate Matthew Grunewald

3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1 Approve the Minutes for May 17, 2021 RHC Meeting

MOTION: M/S - Ramos / Haines-Livesay - To approve the minutes for the May 17, 2021 RHC meeting.

Yes: 4 - Committee Member Ramos, Committee Member Rosas, Vice Chair Haines, and Chair Almond

Abstain: 1 - Committee Member Pardo de Zela

4. CONSENT CALENDAR - None

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Steven Goldstein expressed that he was not able to find data that supports the claim that there was a 10% vacancy in rental units during the pandemic.

6. APPEAL HEARINGS - None

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 CSFRA Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget and Rental Housing Fee

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

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:

Eddie Keating

Jeff Zell

Steven Goldstein

MOTION: M/S - Ramos / Rosas - To adopt a resolution adopting the Fiscal Year 2021-22 CSFRA Budget and establishing a Rental Housing Fee of \$102 for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

Yes: 4 - Committee Member Ramos, Committee Member Rosas, Vice Chair Haines, and Chair Almond

Abstain: 1 - Committee Member Pardo de Zela

8.2 Contract for Administrative and Hearing Process Services for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Analyst Black presented a report and responded to questions.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:

No public comments were received.

MOTION: M/S - Ramos / Haines-Livesay - To authorize the Program Manager or other designee to execute an agreement with Project Sentinel to provide administrative and hearing process services for Fiscal Year 2021-22 for a total amount not to exceed \$230,000 as follows:

1. Administrative support services in an amount not to exceed \$125,000;
2. Deploy and reimburse Facilitators for the Prehearing Settlement Conference Process in an amount not to exceed \$5,000; and
3. Deploy and reimburse Hearing Officers for the Petition Hearing Process in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

Yes: 5 - Committee Member Pardo de Zela, Committee Member Ramos, Committee Member Rosas, Vice Chair Haines, and Chair Almond

8.3 Contract with Goldfarb & Lipman LLP for Fiscal Year 2021-22

Analyst Kennedy presented a report and responded to questions.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:

No public comments were received.

MOTION: M / S - Haines-Livesay / Ramos - To authorize the Program Manager, or other designee, to execute an agreement with Goldfarb & Lipman LLP for legal services related to the Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Act for Fiscal Year 2021-22 in an amount not to exceed \$175,000 and to represent the Rental Housing Committee and the City of Mountain

View in pending litigation related to the Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Act for Fiscal Year 2021-22 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.

Yes: 5 - Committee Member Pardo de Zela, Committee Member Ramos, Committee Member Rosas, Vice Chair Haines, and Chair Almond

8.4 COVID-19 Housing Relief Outreach Overview

Analyst Black presented a report and responded to questions.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:

Jeff Zell

Edie Keating

Steven Goldstein

The RHC received a presentation from staff updating the Rental Housing Committee on community outreach and education efforts for COVID-19 Housing Relief Programs.

8.5 Draft Regulations Amending Chapter 5: Hearing Procedures

Analyst Black presented a report and responded to questions.

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:

No public comments were received.

MOTION: M /S - Ramos / Haines-Livesay - To amend CSFRA Regulations Chapter 5: Hearing Procedures to address an error in the Timeline to Process Individual Rent Adjustment Petitions Chart on Page 17.

Yes: 5 - Committee Member Pardo de Zela, Committee Member Ramos, Committee Member Rosas, Vice Chair Haines, and Chair Almond

9. COMMITTEE/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS, AND COMMITTEE

9.1 Monthly Status Report May 2021

Analyst Black presented the monthly status reports for May 2021.

9.2 Update on City's COVID-19 Landlord/Tenant Programs

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

9.3 Upcoming Monthly Workshops, Clinics and Office Hours

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

10. ADJOURNMENT - At 8:59 p.m., Chair Almond adjourned the meeting to the next RHC meeting to be held on Monday June 28, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via video conference.