

City of Mountain View Rental Housing Committee Meeting September 25, 2023, Agenda Item Questions

Item 3.2 CSFRA and MHRSO Funds Results for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

- Q: Can you explain the line item for the Prior Year Fees in the MHRSO spreadsheet? Why does it show at \$292,003 in adopted but as \$0 in Actual? What is the consequence?
- A: Fiscal Year 2021-22 was the first year of operation of the MHRSO. This means that FY 2021-22 was the first year that fees were charged to mobile home park owners, and no fees were yet charged in previous years. When the budget for FY 2021-22 was adopted in May 2022 (the MHRSO was adopted in October of 2021), including rental space fees, it was assumed that fees would be paid in FY 2022-23. Hence the sum of \$ 292,003 labeled as Prior Year Fees under the adopted FY 2022-23 column.

Item 3.3 Rental Housing Committee Meeting Schedule for Calendar Year 2024

- Q: Most of the dates proposed are the 3rd Monday of the month; why do some months differ?
- A: The dates proposed for RHC meetings in Calendar Year 2024, take into account any City Holidays in 2024. Also, staff strives for a 4-week period between each RHC meeting, to be able to adequately prepare for agenda items. There is one instance of a three-week period between meetings in February 26-March 18. This occurred because February 19 is Presidents Day.
- Q: October 14, 2024, is Columbus Day is this a city of Mountain View or Goldfarb Lipman Holiday? Does Columbus Day make us want a different date? or no problem?
- A: This Holiday is not a day off on the City calendar nor on the Goldfarb Lipman calendar. If the RHC would like to change that date, it is proposed to move it to October 21, 2024.

Item 5.1 Appeal of Hearing Officer Decision Re: Petition No. C22230037

- Q: How do HOs determine the amount to penalize (i.e., the 10% number)?
- A: Currently, hearing officers base the valuations for habitability petitions on a variety of factors including area/square footage affected by issue; egregiousness of the code violation and/or impact of issues presented on habitability and/or health and safety; precedence/experience in our jurisdiction and others; and Federal, State and Local law. Staff, at the request of the RHC, plans to bring an assessment and valuation matrix to the RHC for approval in a future meeting to further assist hearing officers in this regard.



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Item 7.1 Hearing Officer Remuneration Scale Update and Ongoing Methodology

- Q: In the Hearing Officer Remuneration Memo, I noted this under Fiscal Impact-(highlighted):
 - FISCAL IMPACT Based on associated increase. The Project Sentinel Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance (MHRSO) Contract does not require an increase at this time.
 - 1) Please confirm we are changing hourly rates for both the CSFRA and the MHRSO.
 - 2) Please confirm: Reason for no change to MHRSO contract with project sentinel is that even with the increase in hourly rate, previously established amount is still adequate.
 - 3) Is the COLA referred to the same index that we use to set the AGA?
- A: 1) Yes, both the CSFRA and MHRSO hourly rates are proposed to be amended.
 - 2) Yes, the budgeted amount in the MHRSO contract with Project Sentinel is indeed still adequate.
 - 3) Yes, the COLA refers to the same CPI that we use to set the AGA.