



# City of Mountain View

## Minutes

### Rental Housing Committee

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Thursday, November 14, 2024

7:00 PM

Council Chambers and Video Conference, 500  
Castro St., Mountain View, CA 94041

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Committee Member Balch left the meeting at 10:11 p.m. during the RHC discussion of agenda item 6.1, Evaluating the Efficacy of the City's Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance - Housing Element Program

#### 3. CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION - MS - Ma/ Keating - To approve items 3.1 and 3.2 of the consent calendar.

The motion carried by the following vote:

##### 3.1 Minutes for the October 24, 2024, RHC Meeting

##### 3.2 Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Act and Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance Financial Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2024-25 through September 30, 2024

Committee Member Cox pulled item 3.3, Rent Stabilization Division FY 2024-25 Report through September 30, 2024.

MOTION - MS - Cox/ Ma - To approve item 3.3 of the consent calendar.

The motion carried by the following vote:

##### 3.3 Rent Stabilization Division FY 2024-25 Report through September 30, 2024

#### 4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. Kumgran expressed views on how the petition process effects landlords.

Ms. Bindu encouraged the RHC to evaluate outcomes of rent control of landlord and tenants.

#### 5. APPEAL HEARINGS

##### 5.1 Appeal of Hearing Officer's Decision Re: Petition No. C23240043

MOTION - MS - Cox/ Keating - To: To accept the Tentative Appeal Decision in its entirety. The motion carried by the following vote:

Nazanin Salehi, Special Counsel, Goldfarb and Lipman, presented an oral report and responded to questions.

**SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:**

No public comments received.

**PRESENTATION AND ARGUMENTS BY APPELLANT-LANDLORD - Manager David Verbera / Owner, Tom Pothen**

**PRESENTATION AND ARGUMENTS BY RESPONDENT-TENANT - Charisse Turley**

**REBUTTAL BY APPELLANT-LANDLORD - Manager David Verbera / Owner, Tom Pothen**

**REBUTTAL BY RESPONDENT-TENANT - Charisse Turley**

**5.2 Appeal of Hearing Officer's Decision Re: Petition No. C23240025**

MOTION - MS - Balch/ Ma - To: To accept the Tentative Appeal Decision with a friendly amendment by Committee Member Cox to round the appeal reward by the nearest 5th decimal pointThe motion carried by the following vote:

Karen Tiedemann, Special Counsel, Goldfarb and Lipman, presented an oral report and responded to questions.

Translation service were provided in Mandarin

**SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:**

No public comments received.

**PRESENTATION AND ARGUMENTS BY APPELLANT-TENANT - Wenjing Wang**

**PRESENTATION AND ARGUMENTS BY RESPONDENT-LANDLORD - Stephen Welter**

**REBUTTAL BY APPELLANT-TENANT - Wenjing Wang**

**REBUTTAL BY RESPONDENT-LANDLORD - Stephen Welter**

Meeting went in to recess at 9:03 p.m. and resumed at 9:11 p.m.

**6. STUDY SESSION**

**6.1 Evaluating the Efficacy of the City's Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance-Housing Element Program 3.2**

Housing Department Director Chen presented a report and responded to questions.

**SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:**

No public comments received.

The RHC received presentation and provided input on options to increase the efficacy of the Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance in meeting antidisplacement goals as part of Program 3.2 in the City's 2023-31 Housing Element.

**7. COMMITTEE/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, UPDATES, REQUESTS, AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**7.1 Upcoming Workshops and Housing Help Center Dates**

Analyst Kennedy presented a report and responded to questions.

**7.2** Expected Future Agenda Items for RHC Meetings:

RHC Meeting Thursday December 12, 2024:

- Appeals
- MHRSO Review

Chair Brown provided an update on future RHC agenda items.

RHC Meeting Thursday December 12, 2024:

- Appeals
- MHRSO Review

- 8. ADJOURNMENT - At 10:52 p.m., Chair Brown adjourned the meeting to the next RHC meeting to be held on Thursday, December 12, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers and Video Conference.**