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July 24, 2025

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

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**SPECIAL MEETING**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**Present** 6 - Chair Kevin Ma, Vice Chair Robert Cox, Member Alex Brown,  
Member Edie Keating, Member Emily Staats Hislop and Alternate Mark Balch

**Member Emily Staats Hislop arrived at 6:38 p.m.**

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:**

**No public comments received.**

MOTION - MS - Cox/ Balch - To approve the consent calendar.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 5 - Chair Ma, Vice Chair Cox, Member Keating, Member Brown, and Alternate Balch

**3.1 Minutes for the June 12, 2025 RHC Meeting**

**4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**Michael Meredith raised concerns about the lack of regulations and compliance regarding short-term rentals in Mountain View.**

**5. APPEAL HEARINGS**

**5.1 Appeal of Hearing Officer's Decision Re: Petition Nos. 24250022 and C24250023**

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**      **Andrew VanSlyke**

**PRESENTATION AND ARGUMENTS BY RESPONDENT TENANT**      **Alysyn Martinez**

**REBUTTAL BY APPELLANT LANDLORD**      **Andrew VanSlyke**

**REBUTTAL BY RESPONDENT TENANT**      **Alysyn Martinez**

MOTION - MS - Balch/ Brown - To accept the tentative appeal decision in its entirety.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:**    5 -    Chair Ma, Vice Chair Cox, Member Keating, Member Brown, and Alternate Balch

**Recused:**    1 -    Member Hislop

**6.    NEW BUSINESS**

**6.1    Agreement Amendment with Project Sentinel for Fiscal Year 2024-25**

Senior Management Analyst Kennedy presented a report and responded to questions.

**SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:**

No public comments received.

MOTION - MS - Cox/ Keating - To authorize the Rent Stabilization Manager or designee to amend the agreement with Project Sentinel to provide administrative and hearing process services for Fiscal Year 2024-25 and add \$18,000, for a total amount not to exceed \$198,000, to pay for services related to a higher-than-expected volume of petitions.

The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:**    5 -    Chair Ma, Vice Chair Cox, Member Hislop, Member Keating, and Member Brown

**6.2    Agreement Amendment with Goldfarb & Lipman LLP for Fiscal Year 2024-25**

Senior Management Analyst Kennedy presented a report and responded to questions.

**SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS:**

No public comments received.

MOTION - MS - Keating/ Hislop - To authorize the Rent Stabilization Manager or designee to amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 agreement with Goldfarb & Lipman LLP and add \$8,600, for a total amount not to exceed \$208,600 to pay for the cost of legal services performed in Fiscal Year 2024-25 related to rent adjustment petition appeals.

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The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes:** 5 - Chair Ma, Vice Chair Cox, Member Hislop, Member Keating, and Member Brown

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

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

Senior Management Analyst Kennedy presented a report and responded to questions.

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

Chair Ma provided an update on future RHC agenda items.

**8. ADJOURNMENT - At 7:19 p.m., Chair Ma adjourned the meeting to the next regular RHC meeting to be held on Thursday, August 28, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers and via Video Conference.**