

## **City of Mountain View**

### **Minutes**

### **Rental Housing Committee**

Thursday, May 23, 2024

7:00 PM

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

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Present

5 - Chair Alex Brown, Vice Chair Kevin Ma, Member Robert Cox, Member Edie Keating, and Alternate Mark Balch

**Absent** 

1 - Member Guadalupe Rosas

Committee Member Balch participated in the meeting by teleconference pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(b) from the Hilton Garden Inn, Toronto Airport, 3311 Caroga Drive, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada in the public lounge.

#### 3. CITY ATTORNEY INTRODUCTION AND UPDATE ON LEGAL SERVICES

City Attorney Logue introduced herself to the RHC and responded to questions.

#### 4. CONSENT CALENDAR

SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS: No public comments received.

MOTION - MS - Cox/ Ma - To approve the consent calendar. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes:

- 5 Chair Brown, Vice Chair Ma, Member Cox, Member Keating, and Alternate Balch
- **4.1** Minutes for the April 25, 2024, Rental Housing Committee (RHC) Meeting
- **4.2** Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Act and Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance Financial Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2023-24 through March 31, 2024
- **4.3** Rent Stabilization Division Fiscal Year 2023-24 Report through March 31, 2024

#### 5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

No public comments received.

#### 6. NEW BUSINESS

**6.1** Fiscal Year 2024-25 Recommended Budgets for the Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Act and Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance

Senior Management Analyst Black presented a report and responded to guestions.

## SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS: Anil Babbar

The RHC reviewed and provided feedback on the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Recommended Budgets for the administration of the Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Act and the Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

**6.2** Proposed Amendments to Chapter 13: Utility Charges of the Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Act Regulations

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

# SPEAKING FROM THE FLOOR WITH COMMENTS: Anil Babbar

MOTION - MS - Keating/Cox - To adopt amendments to the Community Stabilization and Fair Rent Act Regulations Chapter 13: Utility Charges clarifying certain aspects of the One-Time Utility Adjustment Petition process and to remove the "/or" from Section B.6 of the draft Regulations so it reads: "If Staff determines that the Utility Adjustment Petition Packet is incomplete, notice by mail and electronic mail (if provided) shall be provided to the Landlord that the Utility Adjustment Petition is incomplete together with a list of the deficiencies in the Utility Adjustment Petition and/or the supporting documentation."

The motion carried by the following vote:

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

#### **6.3** Appeal Hearings of the Rental Housing Committee

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.

The RHC received a presentation on the roles and responsibilities of the Rental Housing Committee when conducting Petition Appeal Hearings and provided feedback.

Committee Member Balch left at 9:50 p.m.

#### 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:

Chair Brown provided an update on future RHC agenda items.

8. ADJOURNMENT - At 10:05 p.m., Chair Brown adjourned the meeting to the next RHC meeting to be held on Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers and Video Conference.

Submitted for approval by Andrea Kennedy