

**Rent Stabilization Commission
City of West Hollywood
Thursday, October 25, 2012 @ 7:00 PM
West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers
625 North San Vicente Boulevard**

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Gregoire called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Gregoire led the Pledge.

ROLL CALL: Commission Secretary Laura Schoonover took roll call.

PRESENT: Chair David Gregoire, Vice Chair Chuck Henry, Commissioner Richard Maggio, Commissioner H. Gail Sanes, and Commissioner Agassi Topchian

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Rent Stabilization & Housing Manager Elizabeth Savage, Legal Counsel Alison Regan, Commission Secretary Laura Schoonover

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion made by Commissioner Maggio and seconded by Commissioner Henry to approve the October 25, 2012 meeting agenda. Motion approved by consensus.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Commissioner Henry and seconded by Commissioner Maggio to approve the October 11, 2012 meeting minutes. Motion approved by consensus noting the abstention of Commissioner Sanes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Steve Martin of West Hollywood spoke in support of Richard Bloom's candidacy for California State Assembly

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Rent Stabilization and Housing Manager Elizabeth Savage spoke regarding the November 8th presentation to the Rent Stabilization Commission regarding Interdepartmental Coordination. Ms. Savage reviewed the current "Look Ahead" schedule and announced that there would be no Rent Stabilization Commission meetings on November 22 or December 27, 2012.

COMMISSION COMMENTS: None

APPEALS:

**A. D-3671 1161 N. Ogden Dr. #203
(Rent Reduction Hearing)**

Alison Regan, Legal Counsel, provided a case summary and analysis of the appeal as provided in the staff report. Staff recommends that the Commission affirm the hearing examiner's decision.

At the meeting, the Commission heard from the landlord representatives, Philomena Wong and Tina Sao on behalf Beverly Hills Properties. The Tenant, Barbara Krupa, responded to Commission questions. After hearing from each party, Chair Gregoire closed the oral argument portion of the hearing.

After a public discussion among the Commission regarding the appeal, a motion was made by Commissioner Maggio to adopt Resolution 12-413 to affirm the hearing examiner's decision in case D-3671. Commissioner Topchian seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken. The motion passed (5-0-0).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Elizabeth Savage introduced Community Library Manager Susan Anderson of the West Hollywood Library. Ms. Anderson gave a presentation regarding services and programs at the library. Ms. Anderson spoke of the variety of special collections the library has, including a foreign language collection; Story time programs for children and families; Book Clubs; Computer classes; Author talks; Marketing and Branding workshop; Wikipedia editing workshop.

CHAIR'S REPORT: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

COMMISSION COMMENTS: None

STAFF COMMENTS: None

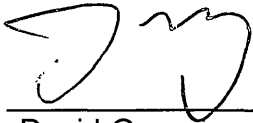
ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chair Gregoire adjourned the Rent Stabilization Commission meeting at 7:51 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Rent Stabilization Commission will be held on November 8, 2012 in the West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers.

These minutes were taken and submitted by Laura Schoonover, Commission Secretary.

Adopted this 8th day of November, 2012

ATTEST:



David Gregoire, Chair



Secretary