

**Rent Stabilization Commission
City of West Hollywood
Thursday, October 26, 2017 @ 7:00 PM
West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers
625 North San Vicente Boulevard**

Minutes

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Topchian led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Commission Secretary Tom Trevor took roll call.

PRESENT: Chair Josh Kurpies, Vice Chair Rob Bergstein, Commissioner Garrett Charity, Commissioner Richard Maggio, Commissioner Agassi Topchian, Commissioner Margaret Buckles, and Commissioner David Gregoire.

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Rent Stabilization and Housing Manager Peter Noonan, Legal Counsel to the Commission Jonathan Holub, Commission Secretary Tom Trevor.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Gregoire to approve the agenda for the October 26, 2017 meeting. Commissioner Buckles seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Vice Chair Bergstein to approve the minutes of the October 12, 2017 meeting as amended. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Maggio. The motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

DIRECTOR'S/MANAGER'S REPORT:

Rent Stabilization and Housing Manager Peter Noonan reviewed the Look Ahead calendar. October 30 is the Annual Congress of Commissioner and Advisory Boards.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Charity is working with code enforcement inspectors from the City of Los Angeles and is working with them to arrange a Commission presentation regarding that city's SCEP (Systematic Code Enforcement Program).

Commissioner Maggio visited the new Avalon West Hollywood apartment building.

NEW BUSINESS:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE RENT STABILIZATION ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE A LANDLORD TO APPROVE A TENANT'S REQUEST TO INSTALL AN ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION, WITH THE TENANT PAYING COSTS: The Rent Stabilization Commissioner heard, reviewed, and commented upon a draft ordinance requiring a landlord to approve a rent stabilized tenant's request to install an electric vehicle charging station with the tenant paying the costs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Maggio to receive and file the report. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Topchian. The motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Stephanie Harker, West Hollywood, spoke on the Affordable Housing Act, a potential 2018 ballot initiative.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Manager Noonan stated that once the electric vehicle charging station ordinance is adopted, it will be brought back to the Commission for further discussion.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Rent Stabilization Commission will be held at 7:00 p.m. on November 9, 2017 in the West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers.

These minutes were submitted by Laura Schoonover, Commission Secretary and approved by a motion of the Rent Stabilization Commission on this 9th day of November, 2017.

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ATTEST:



Josh Kurpies, Chair



Commission Secretary