

**Rent Stabilization Commission  
City of West Hollywood  
Thursday, October 25, 2018 @ 7:00 PM  
West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers  
625 North San Vicente Boulevard**

**Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Charity called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Chair Charity led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Commission Secretary Celeste Barrino took roll call.

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Josh Kurpies, Commissioner Rob Bergstein, Commissioner Richard Maggio, Commissioner Agassi Topchian, Vice Chair David Gregoire, Chair Garrett Charity, Commissioner Karen O'Keefe.

**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Rent Stabilization and Housing Manager Peter Noonan, Legal Counsel to the Commission Alison Regan, Commission Secretary Celeste Barrino.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Commissioner Maggio to approve the agenda for the October 25, 2018 meeting. Commissioner O'Keefe seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Commissioner Bergstein to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2018 meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Topchian. 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.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:** Commissioner Bergstein mentioned an article in Weherville, about a new phone app called "Pavemint" which allows individuals to rent out their parking space at their residence. He asked staff to find out if renting out your parking space is allowable.

Commissioner Charity thanked Commissioner O'Keefe and Commissioner Kurpies on their support of the pass through program at the last City Council Meeting.

**APPEAL:**  
D-4337

1139 ¾ N. Vista St.

Legal Counsel Alison Regan provided a case summary and analysis of the appeal as provided in the staff report.

Commissioner Kurpies arrived

Joel H. Mark, West Hollywood, Tenant, spoke on the appeal.

Following Commission deliberation, a motion was made by Commissioner Topchian to adopt Resolution 18-535, affirming the hearing examiner's decision in D-4337. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Charity. The motion was approved by a vote of 7-0-0.

**APPEAL:**

(Commissioner Maggio recused himself from the Appeal D-4344)

D-4344

1000 Palm Ave Unit 1

Legal Counsel Alison Regan provided a case summary and analysis of the appeal as provided in the staff report.

Leonard Cachola, West Hollywood Tenant spoke on the appeal.

Following Commission deliberation, a motion was made by Commissioner Charity to adopt Resolution 18-536, affirming the hearing examiner's decision in D-4344. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gregoire. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-0-0.

(Commissioner Maggio rejoined the Commission)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** No Unfinished Business

**AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE:** Commissioner O'Keefe mentioned that the next meeting will take place on December 13, 2018.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No Public Comments.

**COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:** Commissioner Gregoire encouraged everyone to vote on November 6<sup>th</sup>.

**STAFF COMMENTS:** Housing Manager Peter Noonan gave an update on the last Council meeting regarding the cost sharing approach for the seismic retrofitting; he mentioned that an alternative recommendation was provided to Council.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Rent Stabilization Commission will be held at 7:00 p.m. on November 8, 2018 in the West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers.

These minutes were submitted by Celeste Barrino, Commission Secretary, and approved by a motion of the Rent Stabilization Commission on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of November 2018.

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ATTEST:

  
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Garrett Charity, Chair

  
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Commission Secretary