

**CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD
RENT STABILIZATION COMMISSION
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2023 - 7:00 PM
WEST HOLLYWOOD PARK PUBLIC MEETING ROOM - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
625 N. SAN VICENTE BOULEVARD**

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Acting Chair Tina Moore called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Commission said the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL:** Rent Stabilization Commission Secretary Diane Garcia took roll call.

PRESENT: Commissioner Adam G. Bass, Commissioner Josh Kurpies, Commissioner Kellan Martz, Commissioner Frank D. Rorie Jr., Commissioner Agassi Topchian, and Acting Chair Tina Moore

ALSO PRESENT: Rent Stabilization Manager Jonathan Holub, Legal Counsel John Natalizio, and Rent Stabilization Commission Secretary Diane Garcia

ABSENT: Chair Zekiah Wright

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Approve the agenda of December 14, 2023. **Motion by Commissioner Topchian to approve the December 14, 2023 agenda, seconded by Commissioner Martz and approved.**

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: Approve the minutes of November 9, 2023. **Motion by Commissioner Kurpies, seconded by Commissioner Rorie and approved.**

6. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

7. **MANAGER REPORT:** Rent Stabilization Manager Jonathan Holub reviewed the look ahead calendar. Mr. Holub reported an increase in Bet Zedek cases, averaging 15 monthly cases. He highlighted the Los Angeles County Rent Relief program for landlords, which provides financial assistance to qualified landlords. For more information, visit www.lacountyrentrelief.com or call (877) 849-0770.

Commissioner Kurpies asked a clarifying question regarding eviction notices.

8. APPEAL:

A. D-4785 856 Westmount Drive, #2

Legal Counsel to the Commission John Natalizio provided a case summary and analysis of the appeal as provided in the staff report.

NATALIE MAY, LANDLORD, presented her oral argument.

After Commission deliberation, **a motion was made by Commissioner Bass to affirm the Hearing Examiner’s Decision as to application No. D-4785 with an order for staff to return with an updated RSC Resolution 23-639. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kurpies and approved with a vote of 4-2, noting the ‘no’ votes of Commissioners Martz and Topchian.**

9. NEW BUSINESS: None

10. ITEMS FROM STAFF: Mr. Holub announced this will be his last Rent Stabilization Commission meeting since he will be stepping down as Rent Stabilization Manager end of December 2023. He thanked the Rent Stabilization Commission, City Council, and community for the Rent Stabilization program. Additionally, he thanked Rent Stabilization Division staff, Director of Human Services and Rent Stabilization Christof Schroeder, Legal Counsel John Natalizio, and Commission Secretary Diane Garcia.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT: None

12. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS: Commissioner Bass thanked Mr. Holub for a warm welcome and wished the community a great holiday season and New Year.

Commissioners Topchian, Martz, Kurpies, and Rorie thanked Mr. Holub for his dedication to the RSO, tenants, and landlords, proactive approach to the RSO and wished him well in his future endeavors.

Commissioner Rorie recommended the meeting adjourn in recognition of Jonathan Holub’s service to the city.

13. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m. in honor of Rent Stabilization Manager Jonathan Holub’s service to West Hollywood. The next meeting of the Rent Stabilization Commission will be held on Thursday, January, 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers.

These minutes were submitted by Diane Garcia, Commission Secretary, and approved by a motion of the Rent Stabilization Commission on this 11th day of January 2024.

A copy of the audio recording of this meeting can be obtained from the City Clerk’s office upon request. You may also view a video of this meeting at <http://www.weho.org/weho-tv/other-city-meetings>.

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Zekiah Wright, Chair



Diane Garcia, Commission Secretary

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