REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CULVER CITY
LANDLORD TENANT MEDIATION BOARD
CULVER CITY, CALIFORNIA

October 28, 2020 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order & Roll Call

Chair Wilborn called the regular meeting of the Culver City Landlord Tenant Mediation Board to order at 7:02 p.m. via Webex.

Present: Leonardo Wilborn, Chair

Selena Cuffe, Board Member
Gary Duboff, Board Member
Kasey Esser, Board Member
Janice Ginther, Board Member
Justin Lescoulie, Board Member
Philip McCabe, Board Member

Demetria Richardson, Board Member

Judy Scott, Board Member

Julieanna Thompson, Board Member

Olga Vaysberg, Board Member

Absent: Beth Hyatt, Vice Chair

Staff: Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator

Mona Kennedy, Housing Programs Supervisor

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Pledge of Allegiance

The Landlord Tenant Mediation Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda

Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator, indicated that no public comment had been received.

Consent Calendar

Item C-1

Approval of Minutes for the Regular Meeting of July 29, 2020

MOVED BY MEMBER DUBOFF AND SECONDED BY MEMBER SCOTT THAT THE LANDLORD TENANT MEDIATION BOARD APPROVE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 29, 2020.

THE MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: CUFFE, DUBOFF, ESSER, GINTHER, LESCOULIE, MCCABE,

RICHARDSON, SCOTT, VAYSBERG, WILBORN

NOES: NONE ABSENT: HYATT

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Order of the Agenda

No changes were made.

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Action Items

Item A-1

Quarterly Report of Mediated Cases and Requests for Mediation During the Last Quarter (July 2020 Through October 2020), Discuss the Outcomes of All Mediated Cases that Occurred During the Last Quarter (July 2020 Through October 2020), In addition, Discuss all Mediation Requests During the Last Quarter

Mona Kennedy, Housing Programs Supervisor, reported zero mediation requests and zero mediations conducted.

Item A-2

Update Regarding Implementation of Amended Ordinance and Bylaws, FAQ for Mediation Program, and Mediation Program Brochure

Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator, reported that a draft was not available for review; she stated that the work plan had been severely disrupted by the Rent Control, the Eviction Moratorium and the COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program; she indicated that a draft FAQ would be available before the next Committee meeting and distributed to Members for review at that time; she discussed certification of families applying for the COVID-19 Program; rent control; and the eviction moratorium.

Chair Wilborn acknowledged and applauded staff for their efforts under difficult conditions.

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Item A-3

Best Practices - Open Discussion on Best Practices of the Board

Discussion ensued between staff and Board Members regarding lack of mediations for the Board; communication regarding the Rent Control program; the election; community outreach; and the Tenant Protection Ordinance.

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Public Comment for Items NOT On the Agenda

Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator, indicated that no public comment had been received.

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Receipt and Filing of Correspondence

Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator, indicated that no correspondence had been received.

Items from Landlord Tenant Mediation Board Members/Staff

Tevis Barnes, Housing Administrator, reported that the City Council had approved a permanent Rent Control Ordinance to take effect on October 30, 2020; she discussed the Tenant Protection Ordinance; the Rent Control Ordinance; new components added since the Interim Rent Control Ordinance; the Buy Out provision; the Anti-Discrimination provision; expansion of the definition of protected tenants; the definition of "Mom and Pop" owners; limitations on rent increases; and she indicated that additional information was available to Board Members.

Discussion ensued between staff and Board Members regarding different provisions for "Mom and Pop" owners; "Mom and Pops" who form an LLC; and consideration of certain situations on a case-by-case basis.

Adjournment

There being no further business, at 7:21 p.m., the Culver City Landlord Tenant Mediation Board adjourned its meeting to Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

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SECRETARY of the Culver City Landlord Tenant Mediation Board

Culver City, California

Leonardo Wilborn

CHAIR of the Culver City Landlord Tenant Mediation Board

Culver City, California

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that, on the date below written, these minutes were filed in the Office of the City Clerk, Culver City, California and constitute the Official Minutes of said meeting.

CITY CLERK