

RICHMOND, CALIFORNIA, January 17, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the Richmond Rent Board was called to order at 5:02 PM.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Present: Boardmembers Combs, Maddock, Vice Chair Gerould, and Chair Gray

Absent: Boardmember Finlay

STATEMENT OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

AGENDA REVIEW

None.

PUBLIC FORUM

Cordell Hindler distributed fliers to inform the Rent Board of the adult programs the city offers throughout the year and the upcoming used book sale the Richmond Public Library is hosting. He also invited the Rent Board to attend a Black History Celebration in the month of February. He also asked if the Rent Program can give a presentation on Rent Control at the Richmond Neighborhood Coordinating Council meeting (date unknown at this time). He also thanked the Rent Board for changing the time of the meetings.

Iona Clark spoke regarding the owner move-in Relocation Payments for no fault evictions and asked questions about Temporary Tenancies in regards to single family homes.

Lori Wickliff spoke on the behalf of landlords and owners who feel that the Rent Board is taking away their rights. She also spoke about enforcing leases and the terms of a lease as well as eviction protections for tenants.

RENT BOARD CONSENT CALENDAR

On motion of Boardmember Combs, seconded by Vice Chair Gerould, the item(s) marked with an (*) were approved with Boardmember Finlay absent.

*F-1. Approve the minutes of December 20, 2017, Regular Meeting of the Richmond Rent Board.

*F-2. Receive letters from community members regarding the Fair Rent, Just Cause for Eviction, and Homeowner Protection Ordinance, RMC 11.100.

STUDY AND ACTION SESSION

G-1. The matter to receive proposed subchapter A (Petition Process) and subchapter B (Hearing Procedure) Rent Board Regulations and provide direction to staff was presented by Nicolas Traylor, Executive Director. The presentation included the purpose of the proposed regulations, information on how the proposed procedural/hearings regulations apply to both Fair Return Regulations and other Rent Adjustment Regulations, a table summarizing each regulation for the Petition Process and Hearings Procedure, and the definitions of the proposed regulations. Discussion ensued. A motion made by Chair Gray, seconded by Vice Chair Gerould, to extend the public comment time to four minutes. The following individuals gave comments: Ilona Clark and Marilyn Langlois. A motion by Chair Gray, seconded by Vice Chair Gerould to direct staff to provide a time line of the process and to revise section 842, to allow more time for petitioners who require language translation services. A motion passed by the following vote: **Ayes:** Boardmembers Combs, Maddock, Vice Chair Gerould and Chair Gray. **Noes:** None. **Abstentions:** None. **Absent:** Boardmember Finley.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Nicolas Traylor, Executive Director gave a general report on the Community Workshop held on January 13th and commended staff on their great work. Chair Gray reminded everyone about the Special Rent Board meeting on Wednesday, January 24, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at
6:47 PM.

Cynthia Shaw, Ramona Howell
Staff Clerks

(SEAL)

Approved:

DAVID GRAY
David Gray, Chair