



Rent Stabilization Board

RENT STABILIZATION BOARD
Special Meeting and Budget Workshop
Minutes
(Approved)

Maudelle Shirek Building
2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Council Chambers, Second Floor
Broadcast Live on KPFB – 89.3 and BTV Cable Channel 33
Live Webcasting at www.cityofberkeley.info/rent

Monday, May 14, 2012
7:00 p.m.

1. **Roll call** – Chair Stephens called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.
Jay Kelekian called roll.
Commissioners present: Blake (arrived 7:15; left 9:15), Dodsworth, Harr, Shelton (left 9:38),
Townley, Tregub, Webster, Stephens
Commissioners absent: Drake
Staff present: Barton, Brown, Kelekian, Law, Mueller, Siegel, Traylor
2. **Approval of Agenda** M/S/C (Tregub/Shelton) APPROVE AGENDA WITH THE FOLLOWING
CHANGE: HEAR ITEM 5 DIRECTLY AFTER PUBLIC FORUM. Voice vote. Carried: 7-0-0-2.
ABSENT: Blake, Drake.
3. **Public Forum** There were three speakers: Ben Chaika of the Kappa Delta Rho Alumni Association
regarding Item 5.b.(3); William Kingwell Tuck of the California Alpha Association regarding Item
5.b.(3); and Michael Campesino regarding capital improvements.

Item 5. was then taken out of order per an earlier vote to amend the Agenda.

5. **Discussion and action related to the Budget and Annual Registration Fee**
 - a. **Public testimony on the Annual Registration Fee and Rent Board Budget** – There were no
speakers.
 - b. **From Board Members, Executive Director and Committees**

Items 5.b.(1) and 5.b.(2) were combined and voted on in one motion – this vote is noted below Item 5.b.(2).

- (1) Recommendation to set the FY 2013 annual registration fee (due July 2012) and establish the maximum recurring expenditure level for FY 2012/2013 (Executive Director and Budget & Personnel Committee)
- (2) Recommendation to authorize the direct pass-through to certain tenants of a portion of the FY 2013 annual registration fee (Executive Director and Budget & Personnel Committee)

M/S/C (Townley/Webster) ADOPT RESOLUTIONS 12-05 AND 12-06 AS WRITTEN. Roll call vote. YES: Blake, Dodsworth, Harr, Shelton, Townley, Tregub, Webster, Stephens; NO: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Drake. Carried: 8-0-0-1.

- (3) Recommendation to adopt a resolution to modify the registration fee and procedures for qualifying fraternities for the upcoming 2012-13 registration year (Executive Director and Budget & Personnel Committee)

After Rent Board Staff Attorney Matthew Siegel gave an overview of the staff report on this item and answered questions from Commissioners, the Board took the following action:

M/S/C (Tregub/Webster) ADOPT RESOLUTION 12-07 AS WRITTEN. Roll call vote. YES: Blake, Dodsworth, Harr, Shelton, Townley, Tregub, Webster, Stephens; NO: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Drake. Carried: 8-0-0-1.

4. Budget Workshop/Special Presentation by Rent Stabilization Program staff: “Rent Stabilization in the 21st Century”

Several Rent Stabilization Program staff members gave a combined PowerPoint presentation highlighting the work of their respective units and answered questions from Commissioners. Staff presenters included Dr. Stephen Barton (Deputy Director), Nick Traylor (Division Manager, Public Information & Registration), Matt Brown (Staff Attorney), Matthew Siegel (Staff Attorney), Aimee Mueller (Administrative Staff Assistant) and Jay Kelekian (Executive Director).

6. Information and Announcements

Please Note: The Board may move Information Items to the Action Calendar.

a. Reports from Board Members/Staff

- (1) Announcement of Walking Tour of Four Housing Cooperatives in West Berkeley on Sunday, May 20, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. (Commissioner Harr) Commissioner Harr informed

the Board and public that the starting point for this Walking Tour will be the Cooperative located at 1706 Ninth Street (at Virginia) and will commence at 2:00 p.m.

7. **Adjournment** M/S/C (Harr/Townley) ADJOURN MEETING. Voice vote. Carried: 6-0-0-3.
ABSENT: Blake, Drake, Shelton. Meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.