



Rent Stabilization Board

**RENT STABILIZATION BOARD**  
**RESILIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Thursday, November 17, 2016**

**4:00 p.m.**

**2001 Center Street, Law Library, 2nd Floor**

**Approved Minutes**

1. Roll call. 4:03 p.m.  
Committee members present: Selawsky, Soto-Vigil (arrived at 4:10 p.m.), and Townley.  
Staff present: Bursell, Chin, and Kelekian.
2. Approval of the agenda. M/S/C (Selawsky, Townley 2-0-0-1) Agenda approved.
3. Approval of the October 13, 2016 meeting minutes. M/S/C (Selawsky, Townley 2-0-0-1) October 13, 2016 minutes approved.
4. Public comment. No public comments made.
5. Discussion and possible action recommending that the Rent Board create a model green lease for residential rental units. Berkeley Rental Housing Coalition Executive Director Krista Gulbransen provided the following recommendations on the committee's model green lease language:
  - Add the creation of long term green leasing goals for the building
  - Add a requirement that tenants shall use low-VOC paints and carpet if their landlord gives them permission to make these interior improvements
  - Add requirements related to green landscaping such as planting drought resistant plants
  - Create a guidance booklet to help tenants and landlords live greenCommittee Chair Townley stated that he would incorporate the Berkeley Rental Housing Coalition Executive Director's comments in the next version draft model green lease language. Commissioner Selawsky agreed to work on the language related to landscaping improvements.
6. Discussion of potential Rent Board external disaster recovery plan for rental housing. Khin Chin of the Office of Emergency Services spoke to the committee about the existing disaster preparedness efforts and available resources that could help create a disaster recovery plan. The committee discussed the following:
  - Berkeley's Disaster Mitigation plan
  - Post disaster mass care planning
  - Viable disaster shelter sites in Berkeley such as Berkeley High and the Senior Centers.
  - The Building Occupancy Resumption Program (BORP)
  - FEMA housing, tiny houses, trailer houses, and tent housing
  - Resources such as ABAG, Oakland Post Disaster Recovery Plan, and the 2014 Napa

earthquake.

The Committee agreed to continue discussion of this item at the next meeting.

7. Review, discussion and possible revisions to the Committee work plan. The committee did not discuss this item.
8. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

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COMMITTEE: Alejandro Soto-Vigil, John Selawsky, Jesse Townley (Chair)