

SANTA MONICA RENT CONTROL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 14, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Koury called the Rent Control Board meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance. Commissioner Koury read passages from the Fifteenth and Nineteenth Amendments of the U.S. Constitution.

2. ROLL CALL

Member Absent: Jeff Sklar

Members Present: Jennifer Kennedy
Marilyn Korade-Wilson
Joel Koury
Zelia Mollica

Others Present: Tracy Condon, Administrator
Michaelyn Jones, General Counsel
Marcia Zimmer, Hearings Dept. Mgr.
Glenda Jacobs, Board Secretary

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: July 10, 2008

Commissioner Korade-Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, moved to adopt the minutes of July 10, 2008. The motion passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

4. SPECIAL AGENDA ITEMS

Administrator Tracy Condon announced that there were legislative handouts on the dais.

7. JURISDICTIONAL ITEM

B. Exemptions – Owner Occupancy

Applicants listed below request an exemption of a three-unit or less property based upon owner-occupancy pursuant to section 1801(c)(4) of the Rent Control Law.

Recommendations: Grant

1) 1559: 1511 12th St., Applicant – Serebryanaya

Following questions by Commissioner Kennedy to staff, Commissioner Korade-Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, moved to grant the owner-occupied exemption pursuant to section 1801(c)(4) of the Rent Control Law. The motion passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

2) 1560: 2525 2nd St., Applicant – Hastings

Commissioner Koury, seconded by Commissioner Mollica, moved to grant the owner-occupied exemption pursuant to section 1804(c)(4) of the Rent Control Law. The motion passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

3) 1561: 2019 18th St., Applicant – Balikci

Commissioner Koury, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, moved to grant the owner-occupied exemption pursuant to section 1801(c)(4) of the Rent Control Law. The motion passed unanimously in a roll call vote

At 7:15 p.m. a break was called in the proceedings and the meeting resumed approximately 25 minutes later.

9. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEM

B. Adoption of the Board's resolution regarding the City's proposal to regulate smoking in multi-family buildings.

Prior to adopting the Resolution, the Commissioners reiterated their position on this issue. Commissioner Koury, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy, moved to adopt the Resolution. The motion passed unanimously in a roll call vote.

The Board directed staff to forward the resolution to the City Council and to State Senator Alex Padilla.

A. Christine Minnehan, Lobbyist

Ms. Minnehan presented the summer 2008 Housing Legislation report. Following her report, the Board thanked Ms. Minnehan for her time and report. Commissioner Kennedy asked staff to forward copies of the legislative report to the City Council.

13. REQUESTS TO SPEAK

The following person addressed the Board: Kristen Weirick.

At 8:44 p.m., Commissioner Koury recessed the meeting to closed session.

14. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator - Personnel.

a) City Negotiator: Tracy Condon

Employee Organizations: Managers

California Government Code section 54957.6

At 9:18 p.m., the closed session adjourned and the open meeting reconvened for a report of closed session.

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

By a unanimous vote of all members present, the Board approved addendums to the employment agreements with the Board's managers.

15. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:25 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.