



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
Room 280A
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210

**HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MEETING MINUTES**

January 19, 2017
9:00 a.m.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: January 19, 2017 / 9:02 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Saleh, Popovich Levyn, Vice Chair Berman,
Chair Friedman

Commissioners Absent: Blumenfeld

Staff Present: James R. Latta, Rachel L. Evans, Linda Kyriazi

Commissioner Blumenfeld arrived at 9:06am.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items not on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. By State law, the Commission may not discuss or vote on items not on the Agenda.

Both Tenant and Landlords spoke about their issues and concerns regarding the Tenant Landlord Policy. Councilmember Bosse and Community Services Director Nancy Hunt-Coffey provided information and guidance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By order of the Chair, the Commission will go directly to Tab 3, Tenant Landlord Policy Update. This reordering is to accommodate the public attendance.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 15, 2016.

MOTION by Saleh, SECONDED by Berman to approve the Meeting Minutes as presented.
(5/0)

AYES: Saleh, Popovich Levyn, Blumenfeld, Berman, Friedman

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

PASSED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

Beverly Hills Unified School District

- No representative was available.

Beverly Hills Police Department

- No representative was available.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

2. Tenant Landlord Forum

Tabled

3. Tenant Landlord Policy Update

Human Services Administrator James R. Latta reviewed the revised memo prior to communications from the audience.

MOTION by Blumenfeld, SECONDED by Berman: I move to create a database for the approximately 8600 multi-family units. (5/0)

AYES: Saleh, Popovich Levyn, Blumenfeld, Berman, Friedman
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
PASSED

MOTION by Berman, SECONDED by Blumenfeld: I move that we utilize the database to establish a Rental Registry Program in the City of Beverly Hills to include some form of inspection. (5/0)

AYES: Saleh, Popovich Levyn, Blumenfeld, Berman, Friedman
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
PASSED

MOTION by Salah, SECONDED by Blumenfeld: Motion to change the No-Cause Termination Ordinance in Beverly Hills to include a relocation fee. (4/0)

AYES: Saleh, Popovich Levyn, Blumenfeld, Friedman
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Berman
PASSED

MOTION by Popovich Levyn, SECONDED by Saleh: I move that we develop methods to limit annual 10% rent increases. (0/5)

AYES: None
NOES: Saleh, Popovich Levyn, Blumenfeld, Berman, Friedman
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
FAILED

MOTION by Popovich Levyn, SECONDED by Saleh: move to reduce the annual 10% rent increases. (5/0)

AYES: Saleh, Popovich Levyn, Blumenfeld, Berman, Friedman
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
PASSED:

MOTION by Berman, SECONDED by Saleh: move that the Tenant Landlord handbook reflects the current code and be distributed to every current and future tenant and the penalty for not doing so be increased from the current \$500 to \$1000. (5/0)

AYES: Saleh, Popovich Levyn, Blumenfeld, Berman, Friedman
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None
PASSED:

4. Human Relations Work Plan Review

Commission requested a time line on how to move forward with the Anti-Bullying video contest for this fall school year with the understanding that City Council priorities must come first.

NEW BUSINESS

5. Commission Chair and Vice Chair Training

Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Director of Community Services updated the Commission on the standardization of all Commissions.

6. CAGF FY 2017-18

Human Services Administrator James R. Latta provided an update on the FY 2017-18 Community Assistance Grant Funding Request for Proposal (RFP) process, promotion and deadlines. RFPs will be accepted until 5:00pm, Friday, February 3, 2017.

An ad hoc was selected consisting of Vice Chair Berman and Commissioner Saleh.

STATUS REPORTS

7. Beverly Hills Ambassador Program

Human Services Administrator James R. Latta reviewed the statistics of the Ambassador Program with the Commission. It was agreed that the program is running well, and going forward, there will be just a slide showing the current statistics for the packet.

8. 2017 Beverly Hills Homeless Count

Human Services Specialist Rachel L. Evans reminded the Commission about the 2017 Beverly Hills Homeless Count being held on January 25, 2017 at 8pm in City Hall.

An updated Winter Shelter Information card was provided and has been distributed.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

9. Mayor's Cabinet Meeting

The January 9th meeting minutes were provide to the Commission at the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

10. Administrator's Report

Human Services Administrator James R. Latta provided an update on:

- The hiring of an Assistant Director for Community Services
- Reassignment of Brad Meyerowitz's job responsibilities. Human Services to provide interim coverage of the Ranger Program
- Attended Westside Cities of Governments Board Meeting January 23, 2017.
- HRC Liaison meeting was held January 12, 2017.
- Human Services and the Human Relations Commission presented to Team Beverly Hills on January 12, 2017.
- Present Tenant Landlord Liaison recommendations at the January 24, 2017 City Council Meeting in addition to the CDGB Public Hearing. At the Study Session, the City Sponsorship of USC Caregiver will be presented.

11. Overview of Current and Pending Agenda Items

The Commission expressed interest in more information of painting and distributing small rocks to be discovered with their happy message.

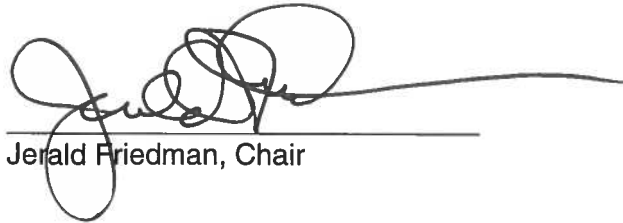
12. Calendar for 2017 Regular Meetings

Staff to review and provide available dates for rescheduling September meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

January 19, 2017 at 12:27 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 16 DAY of February, 2017



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jerald Friedman', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized with loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jerald Friedman, Chair