**SEATTLE RENTERS’ COMMISSION MINUTES**

December 7, 2022

Webex

**Purpose**: The Seattle Renters’ Commission was established to represent the interest of renters located in Seattle, to advise and make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council on public policy matters of importance to renters citywide.

In attendance: Lydia Felty, Arianna Laureano, Alan Chi, Char Smith, Kim McGillivray, Dan Godfrey, Tim Guy

Staff: Alexis Izor

**Welcome and Announcements**

* Alan Chi will be joining the commission in 2023
* 2023 Co-Chair Nomination: open enrollment to apply for annual election. There will be an election process, such as random selection picking
  + Co-Chair nominations will need to notify DON by January to be selected
    - Co-chair nominations will provide short bio for commissioners to review
  + Election votes will be submitted at the February meeting
  + Reappointment notifications will be sent via email to all Commissioners

**Public Comment (see reverse)**

* Budget was approved by Council, plans to help assisting the city as a liaison towards the new budget.
  + Propose 2023-2024, the Commission workplan will focus on the bridging baps and implementing their concerns plans to write their concerns/strategies for Councils awareness
    - Suggest city policies for landlords: enforce rental invoice receipts in Seattle, as receipts are not being given to renters by landlords
    - Propose the city fines rental lenders, $10 for not providing tenants receipt of rent

**Workgroup Meeting Times**

* Alexis (DON) reached out to Deputy Mayor Washington regarding meeting invitation with SRC which was denied.
  + Operations Manager will attend the January meeting on the behalf of Deputy Mayor Washington
    - Commissioners agree to extend invitation to the Mayor’s Office for SRC January meeting

**Commissioner Opportunity to Share**

* Holiday/Winter/2022 gathering has been canceled per commissioners’ vote.

**Adjourn**

**MAKING PUBLIC COMMENT**

* Public comment period allows individuals to inform and advise the Commission about issues, problems, or concerns.
* Register to attend through the Webex link provided for the meeting.
* During the meeting, the Chair will ask the public to use the Raise Hand function to be added to the public comment list. To use the Raise Hand function:
  + **Online/Desktop App Users**
    - Click the Participants button that sits at the bottom right corner of the window
    - Click on the hand icon that sits at the bottom right corner of the Participants List
  + **Mobile App Users**
    - Click the Participants button that sits at the top right corner of the window
    - Click Raise Hand that sits at the bottom right corner of the Participants List
  + **Call-in Users**
    - Press \*3 to raise your hand
* Once called upon, you will be unmuted with a limit of 2 minutes to speak.
* Provide clear and concise comments.
* Avoid repeating comments already expressed by others.
* After speaking, Lower Hand by using the method to Raise Hand.