



RENT STABILIZATION BOARD
LEGISLATION, IRA / AGA & REGISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, April 3, 2023

5:30 p.m.

Rent Stabilization Board Law Library – 2001 Center Street, 2nd floor, Berkeley, CA 94704

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AGENDA

1. Roll call
2. Land Acknowledgment Statement: The Berkeley Rent Stabilization Board recognizes that the rental housing units we regulate are built on the territory of xučyun (Huchiun-(Hooch-yoon)), the ancestral and unceded land of the Chochenyo (Cho-chen-yo)-speaking Ohlone (Oh-low-nee) people, the ancestors and descendants of the sovereign Verona Band of Alameda County. This land was and continues to be of great importance to all of the Ohlone Tribes and descendants of the Verona Band. As we begin our meeting tonight, we acknowledge and honor the original inhabitants of Berkeley, the documented 5,000-year history of a vibrant community at the West Berkeley Shellmound, and the Ohlone people who continue to reside in the East Bay. We recognize that Berkeley's landlords and tenants have and continue to benefit from the use and occupation of this unceded stolen land since the City of Berkeley's incorporation in 1878 and since the Rent Stabilization Board's creation in 1980. As stewards of the laws regulating rental housing, it is not only vital that we recognize the history of this land, but also recognize that the Ohlone people are present members of Berkeley and other East Bay communities today.
3. Approval of the agenda
4. Approval of minutes from the February 6, 2023 meeting (Attached to agenda)
5. Public Comment
6. Discussion and possible action to recommend that full Board approve changes to Regulations 883 and 884 (See attached Staff Report)
7. Discussion and possible action regarding sanction options for failure to produce Vacancy Registration Forms for current tenancies (See attached staff report)
8. Discussion and possible action regarding future agenda items
 - ➔ Expansion or extension of certain City services to all residents (Commissioner Kelley)
 - ➔ Potential Rules and/or Regulations for digital or keyless entry (Commissioner Kelley)
 - ➔ Potential Regulation regarding Occupancy Subleases (Commissioner Johnson/Alpert)
 - ➔ Inventory of Proposed Amendments to the Ordinance (Commissioner Alpert)
 - ➔ Potential items for the 2024 ballot initiatives (Commissioner Alpert)
9. Confirm next meeting date
10. Adjournment

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COMMITTEE: Soli Alpert, Andy Kelley (Chair), Ida Martinac, Nathan Mizell