

RENTAL HOUSING MEDIATION TASK FORCE
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 6, 2012

DAVID GEBHARD PUBLIC MEETING ROOM
630 GARDEN STREET

1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:

The meeting was called to order by Justin Dullum Chair at 5:30 p.m.

LEESA BECK	<u>E</u>	CHARLES ECKERT	<u>X</u>
DAVID BRAINARD	<u>X</u>	MARTI FURMAN	<u>E</u>
ROBERT BURKE	<u>X</u>	PARVANEH GIVI	<u>X</u>
CHRIS CASEBEER	<u>X</u>	LYNN GOEBEL	<u>E</u>
SILVIO DILORETO	<u>E</u>	DAN HERLINGER	<u>X</u>
JUSTIN DULLUM	<u>X</u>	DAVID MCDERMOTT	<u>X</u>
JACQUELINE DURAN	<u>E</u>	SCOTT WEXLER	<u>X</u>
		BRUCE WOLLENBERG	<u>E</u>

(X = Present A =Absent E = Excused)

Officers: Chair Justin Dullum, Vice Chair Lynn Goebel, Secretary Scott Wexler
Staff Present: Andrea Bifano, Sr. Rental Housing Mediation Specialist

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion: To approve the minutes of the June 7, 2012, meeting, with amendments.

Action: Burke/Herlinger 9/0/0. (Beck/DiLoreto/Duran/Furman/Goebel/Wollenberg excused). Motion carried.

4. FY 2012-2013 BUDGET:

Program Budget adopted and approved on June 19, 2012.

Justin Dullum, Chair, reported that the Rental Housing Mediation Task Force budget for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 was approved by City Council and would now be a line item included in the City's General Fund.

5. SEMI-ANNUAL CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

June 26, 2012 Appointments: Silvio DiLoreto, Jacqueline Duran and Charles V. Eckert III.

Justin Dullum, Chair, announced the reappointed and newly appointed mediators: Silvio DiLoreto, Landlord; Jacqueline Duran, Landlord; and Charles Eckert III, Landlord. Jacqueline Duran was not able to attend the meeting. Charles Eckert provided a brief history of his background, which included over fifty years as an active member of the

California State Bar. Further, Charles has been an active member, and former President of the Santa Barbara Rental Property Association.

6. OUTREACH:

Update.

Justin Dullum, Chair reported on an outreach held on July 19, 2012, *Section 8 Landlord Open House*, at Presidio Springs, 721 Laguna Street, Santa Barbara. Task Force participants included Justin Dullum, Robert Burke and Staff. A discussion ensued regarding outreach.

7. CASELOAD REPORT AND MEDIATION TRAINING:

(.5 hour training time per the Dispute Resolution Programs Act Guidelines)

A. Statistics:

Justin Dullum, Chair presented the June 2012 Monthly and Fourth Quarter Statistical Reports. Chris Casebeer stated that it would be good to analyze the numbers from previous years to identify the trends from year to year.

B. Mediation Training: Review of Skills Used in Mediation:

Justin Dullum, Chair, gave an update on a successful mediation held on July 31, 2012. The Mediators who participated in the Face-to-Face mediation were Justin Dullum and David McDermott. Staff was present as well Robert Burke whose role was mediator trainee/observer. The skills utilized included active listening, summarizing and caucus. A Binding Settlement Agreement was executed.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

No announcements.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.