



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
RENTAL HOUSING MEDIATION BOARD**

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING**

**DECEMBER 12, 2016
5:30 PM
WATER RESOURCE CONFERENCE ROOM
617 GARDEN STREET
SANTA BARBARA, CA 93101
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1. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL:

RICHARD AXILROD	<u> X </u>	JUSTIN DULLUM	<u> X </u>
LEESA BECK	<u> X </u>	RENE GOMEZ	<u> E </u>
DAVID BRAINARD	<u> E </u>	LYNN GOEBEL	<u> X </u>
ROBERT BURKE	<u> X </u>	DAN HERLINGER	<u> X </u>
CHRIS CASEBEER	<u> E </u>	BRUCE WOLLENBERG	<u> X </u>
SILVIO DILORETO	<u> E </u>	BRIAN SO	<u> E </u>
JEANA DRESSEL	<u> X </u>		

(X = Present A =Absent E = Excused)

OFFICERS: Chair Lynn Goebel, Vice Chair Dan Herlinger, Secretary Brian So

CITY COUNCIL LIAISON: Cathy Murillo

STAFF: Andrea Bifano, Senior Rental Housing Mediation Specialist
Joel Estrada, Rental Housing Mediation Specialist

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment. The Chair introduced the following persons in the audience: Joyce Axilrod, Ilene Bifano Baroni, Julia Baroni and Natalie Baroni.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 13, 2016.

Motion: To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 13, 2016.

Action: Burke/Axilrod, 8/0/0. (Brainard, Casebeer, DiLoreto, Gomez, So, excused).
Motion carried.

4. ANNUAL RECRUITMENT FOR CITY COUNCIL ADVISORY GROUPS:

A. Appointments:

On December 6, 2016, four City Council appointments were made to the RHMB. The two new appointments were Hector Sanchez, Tenant category, and Dan Collie, Homeowner category. The two incumbents appointed were Justin Dillum, Homeowner and Richard Axilrod, Landlord.

B. Mediator terms scheduled to expire:

- Richard Axilrod, David Brainard, Leesa Beck, Justin Dullum, Silvio Di Loreto, and Brian So terms were scheduled to expire on December 31, 2016. Richard Axilrod, and Justin Dullum reapplied to the Board. Brian So did not reapply, as he moved out of the area. Incumbents, Leesa Beck, Silvio Di Loreto and David Brainard will continue to serve until successors have been appointed or they reapply.

C. Vacancies:

- After Santa Barbara City Council appointments were made, four vacancies remained: two landlord positions, one tenant position and one homeowner position.

5. **OFFICER ELECTIONS:**

Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary.

The RHMB Officer elections took place as follows:

Leesa Beck was elected Chair.

Motion: To re-elect Lessa Beck as Chair for a second term.

Action: Herlinger/Burke, 8/0/0. (Brainard, Casebeer, DiLoreto, Gomez, So, excused).
Motion carried.

Dan Herlinger was elected Vice Chair.

Motion: To re-elect Dan Herlinger as Vice Chair for a second term.

Action: Burke/Axilrod, 8/0/0. (Brainard, Casebeer, DiLoreto, Gomez, So, excused).
Motion carried.

Bruce Wollenberg was elected Secretary.

Motion: To elect Bruce Wollenberg as Secretary.

Action: Beck/Dullum, 8/0/0. (Brainard, Casebeer, DiLoreto, Gomez, So, excused).
Motion carried.

6. **OUTREACH:**

Joel Estrada gave an update on the outreach held at the Franklin Neighborhood Center's Food Bank.

7. **EDUCATION AND OUTREACH AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE:**

Robert Burke gave an update on the ad hoc subcommittee meeting held on October 20, 2016. A lot of good ideas were discussed, including different venues/locations to educate people about the Program.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Andrea Bifano invited the RHMB to stay for the *Annual Holiday Party*.

9. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: To adjourn.

Action: Goebel/Burke, 8/0/0. (Brainard, Casebeer, DiLoreto, Gomez, So, excused).
Motion carried.

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