

Rental Services Commission

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Zoom Meeting & 1900 SW 4th, Rm 7000 Portland Housing Bureau

Agenda

January Topic: 1. RSC Work Plan 2/2

AGENDA TOPIC	LEAD	ACTION	TIME
Call to Order, Roll Call	Justin Barrieault, PHB		2:30 - 2:35 pm
Housing Bureau Topics			
 Staff Updates Bylaws Update Recruitment for Exec Committee 2023 Listening Session 	Breonne DeDecker, PHB Justin Barrieault, PHB	Updates	2:35 – 2:50 pm
RSC Commissioner Topics			
Accessibility Check-In	Laura Golino de Lovato, RSC	Discussion	2:50 – 3:15 pm
2023 Workplan Development	Laura Golino de Lovato, RSC	Discussion	3:15 – 3:55 pm
1. Accessibility Check-In 2. Extension of RSC Meetings (Proposal: Extend Meeting Times to 2:00pm - 5:00pm) 3. 2023 Workplan Approval 4. Work products to Cm Rubio (Proposal: Send 2021/2022 RSC Work Products to Cm Rubio)	Justin Barrieault, PHB	Voting	3:55 – 4:15 pm
Public Testimony	Breonne DeDecker, PHB	Testimony	4:15 – 4:45 pm
Discussion of Public Testimony or Presentations 1. 14.6% Rent Increase	Justin Barrieault, PHB	Presentations	4:45 – 5:00pm

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Applicable Laws/Procedures

Board Membership

Board at Large

- 13 members wills serve for two-year terms.
- Members can serve for 8 consecutive years, or 4 consecutive terms

Executive Committee

- Consists of 4 members
 - o 2 Co-Chairs
 - o 2 Vice Chairs
- Members can serve for 4 consecutive years, or 2 consecutive terms
- Members interested in continuing service in a designated leadership role beyond four consecutive years must sit out for 2 years
- Executive committee members may continue to serve in leadership roles beyond the term limits until the new committee members are confirmed into leadership roles, unless they are otherwise removed

Quorum

- Defined as "The minimum number of members that must participate for the governing body to be competent to transact business"
 - o One-half plus one of all appointed members." PCC 3.133.060
 - o With a 13-member board, we reach quorum when 8 members are present
- A quorum shall be necessary of voting members to make decisions that represent the position of the Body and to fulfill any other responsibilities.
- A quorum of a governing body may not meet in private (or discuss via email) for the purpose of deciding on or deliberating toward a decision on any matter
 - All meetings of a governing body (and discussions pertaining to deliberate actions/decisions) must be open to the public
- If each member of a governing body is charged to form recommendations individually rather than deliberately through a quorum requirement, the Public Meetings Law does not apply.

<u>Voting</u>

- All official actions of a governing body must be taken by public vote, and the results of the vote must be recorded
- Secret voting & proxy/absentee voting are not allowed
- Per PCC 3.133.060, a vote that secures half of the voting members present, rather than a majority of the seats (per ORS 174.130), will pass
 - o For example, if 11 members are present (establishing quorum), then an affirmative vote of 6 members will pass
- When one or more members do not vote, the abstention does not count as either an affirmative or negative vote
- Voting protocol
 - After the measure/policy/action is established that will be voted on, Housing Bureau staff will read off the name of each commissioner present

- o At this point, each commissioner will offer their vote, either verbally or through written communication in the chat
 - Voting options: Yes (affirmative), No (negative), Abstain (neither affirmative nor negative)
- o A member of the Housing Bureau will record the votes, indicating at voting completion whether the issue passed