

SEATTLE RENTERS' COMMISSION

Special Meeting MINUTES

October 20, 2023 8:30-9:00 AM Webex, online

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.

Commissioners in attendance: Dan Godfrey, Kim McGillivray, Sendia Registin, Julissa Sanchez, Atif

Osmani, Tavo Moline

Commissioners not in attendance: Char Smith, Kate Rubin

Public attendance: Patricia Scott

Staff: Zach Frimmel

(Transcriber's Note: Seattle Renters' Commission meeting minutes are not an exact transcript and represent key points and the basis of discussion. The recording of the minutes is available upon request.)

Vote on letters to City Council

With quorum, the SRC voted on and passed two letters (more below) that they would send to the Mayor's Office and City Council.

The first letter advocated for SRC funding so they would have a budget for outreach, engagement, and translation, plus more streamlined support from the Mayor and City Council throughout the commissioner appointment process as appointments have been historically and are presently overdelayed, which have created challenges for recruitment and engagement of the commission.

The second letter advocates for approximately \$50,000 to create a tenant-focused work group that would inform the creation of an Office of Renter Housing Standards, which is a proposal being put forward by Councilmember Morales' office.