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Pasadena Rental Housing Board Appointment Process

April 19, 2023





BACKGROUND

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- **November 8, 2022** – Voters approved Measure H with 53.8% of the votes cast
- **December 12, 2022** – City Council certified the November 2022 election results
- **December 22, 2022** – Measure H became effective
- **January 9, 2023** – Informational Item on Measure H implementation



BACKGROUND

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- **January 23, 2023** – City Clerk’s Office opened the application period for the Pasadena Rental Housing Board
- **March 13, 2023** – Informational Item on Pasadena Rental Housing Board Application process
- **April 17, 2023** – Was the last day applications/signatures were submitted for consideration – All submitted applications have been provided to City Council



BACKGROUND

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- Measure H – City Charter Article XVIII – Section 1811 – Establishes: Pasadena Rental Housing Board (PRHB) provided as Attachment C
- PRHB is responsible for implementation and enforcement of Article XVIII
- 120-day deadline to appoint the Board: April 21, 2023
- City Clerk administered the application process:
 - > Create application forms
 - > Verify eligibility of applicants
 - > Forward applications submitted by interested applicants to the City Council for consideration/appointment



PASADENA RENTAL HOUSING BOARD CITY CHARTER SECTION 1811

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- Eleven (11) Primary Members plus
Two (2) Alternates (Total 13 members)
 - > Seven (7) Tenant Members – One from each Council District
 - > Four (4) At-Large Members – City residents
 - > Tenant Alternate and At-Large Alternate – City residents
 - Ex Officio Members
 - May speak during meetings
 - Not authorized to vote **unless** in the absence, recusal, or vacancy of a primary member



PRHB ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

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- PRHB Applicant Requirements (1811 (a), (b), and (c))
 - > Provided proof of residency in Pasadena, as well as within the Council District if seeking a Tenant District seat
 - > Obtained 25 signatures of residents supporting applicant from the same Pasadena Council District
 - > Submitted a Form 700
 - > Submitted required verifications/affidavits signed under penalty of perjury
- Tenant and Alternate Tenant Applicants:
 - > No **Material Interest in Rental Property** at the time of their appointment or at any later time during service on the PRHB
 - > Tenant Members, Alternate Tenant, and **Extended Family** Members may not have owned, managed, or had a 5% or greater ownership stake in rental units in Los Angeles County in the **3 years** prior to applying for position



APPLICATION PROCESS

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- City Clerk's Office issued over 60 applications to Pasadena residents
- Total Applications Submitted: 39
 - Verified as Eligible: 37
 - Needing Additional Signatures: 2
- Applicants Eligible for Tenant Seats: 22
- Applicants Eligible for At-Large Seats: 35
- Full list of all applicants, see Attachment A
- Redacted applications, see Attachment B



TONIGHT'S PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENT

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- Review Tenant Nominations from Each Council District (7 Seats)
- Review Alternate Tenant Nominations (1 Seat)
- Review At-Large Nominations (4 Seats plus 1 Alt Seat)
 - > Tally of nominations is based on rank choice order of nominations submitted by Councilmembers
 - > **IMPORTANT**: Tally is not a vote – it is a nomination tool to help build consensus on At-Large appointments
 - > Top scores **do not** suggest selection; and **does not** entitle an applicant to a seat
 - > Appointment requires five affirmative votes of the City Council
- Opportunity for City Council Questions
- Public Comment



TONIGHT'S PROCESS FOR APPOINTMENT

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- City Council Deliberations/Vote on Tenant District Nominations (7 Seats)
- City Council Deliberations/Vote on At-Large Nominations (4 Seats)
 - > City Council may ask questions of applicants
 - > Motion/Second for appointment(s) needing five affirmative votes
 - Motion/vote on slate of applicants; or
 - Separate motion/votes on individual applicants
- City Council Deliberation/Vote on Alternate At-Large (1 Seat)
- City Council Deliberation/Vote on Alternate Tenant (1 Seat)
- Meeting Conclusion



TENANT NOMINATIONS

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District and Nominee

Suggested Term

- District 1: Emanuel Najera (4-year term)
- District 2: Dianne Romero Chavez (4-year term)
- District 3: Brandon Lamar (2-year term)
- District 4: Barbara Pitts (4-year term)
- District 5: Yaneli Soriano Santiago (2-year term)
- District 6: Ryan Bell (4-year term)
- District 7: Deborah Dunlop (2-year term)
- City Charter Section 1811(d) states: “Four (4) of the tenant appointees initially appointed shall serve for four (4) years; the terms of the remaining initial tenant appointees shall be two (2) years.”



ALTERNATE TENANT NOMINATIONS

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District and Nominee

1 Alternate Tenant Seat

- District 1: Aaron Markowitz
- District 2: Carol Hicks
- District 3: Allison Henry
- District 4: Allison Henry
- District 5: Gian McCoy
- District 6: Adela Torres**
- District 7: Katherine Hindman

** Submitted after the posting of the agenda

- City Charter Section 1811(a) states: "The alternate Tenant Member may reside in any district of Pasadena."
- City Charter Section 1811(d) states: "The initial term for any alternate shall be for four (4) years."



AT-LARGE NOMINATIONS

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Applicant Name	Position	District
Penny Carter	At-Large	1
Aaron Markowitz	At-Large	1
Arnold Siegel	At-Large	1
Tyler Werrin	At-Large	1
Peter Dreier	At-Large	2
Simon Gibbons	At-Large	2
Thea Orozco	At-Large	2
Marie McDonald	At-Large	2
Leon Arellano	At-Large	3
Michael Chapman	At-Large	3
James E. C. Creely	At-Large	3
Lourdes Gonzalez	At-Large	3
Allison Henry	At-Large	3
Adela Torres	At-Large	3
Yaneli Soriano Santiago	At-Large	5
Michelle White	At-Large	5
Ira West	At-Large	5
Terry Tornek	At-Large	7



AT-LARGE NOMINATION TALLY

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Nomination Scoring:

- 1st = 5 points
- 2nd = 4 points
- 3rd = 3 points
- 4th = 2 points
- 5th = 1 point

Applicant Name	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	4th Choice	5th Choice	Total	# of Nom
Arnold Siegel		8	9			17	5
Peter Dreier	5	8			1	14	4
Terry Tornek	10		3			13	3
Allison Henry	5				1	6	2
Michael Chapman		4		2		6	2
Michelle White	5				1	6	2
Leon Arellano	5					5	1
Penny Carter	5					5	1
Ira West				4		4	2
James E. C. Creely		4				4	1
Thea Orozco		4				4	1
Aaron Markowitz			3			3	1
Lourdes Gonzalez				2	1	3	2
Marie McDonald			3			3	1
Adela Torres				2		2	1
Simon Gibbons				2		2	1
Tyler Werrin					1	1	1
Yaneli Soriano Santiago					1	1	1



AT-LARGE NOMINATION TALLY

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Applicant Name	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	4th Choice	5th Choice	Total	# of Nom
Arnold Siegel		Hampton Williams	Jones Madison Rivas			17	5
Peter Dreier	Madison	Masuda Rivas			Williams	14	4
Terry Tornek	Masuda Williams		Lyon			13	3
Allison Henry	Lyon				Jones	6	2
Michael Chapman		Jones		Hampton		6	2
Michelle White	Rivas				Madison	6	2
Leon Arellano	Jones					5	1
Penny Carter	Hampton					5	1
Ira West				Rivas Madison		4	2
James E. C. Creely		Lyon				4	1
Thea Orozco		Madison				4	1
Aaron Markowitz			Hampton			3	1
Lourdes Gonzalez				Lyon	Rivas	3	2
Marie McDonald			Williams			3	1
Adela Torres				Jones		2	1
Simon Gibbons				Williams		2	1
Tyler Werrin					Hampton	1	1
Yaneli Soriano Santiago					Lyon	1	1



AT-LARGE NOMINATIONS

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City Charter Section 1811(a) states, “The remaining four (4) Rental Board members, henceforth referred to as "at-large" members, shall be appointed by the City Council, and may reside in any district of Pasadena, may or may not be Tenants, and may or may not have Material Interest in Rental Property.”

City Charter Section 1811(d) states, “Two (2) of the at-large appointees initially appointed shall serve for four (4) years; the terms of the remaining initial at-large appointees shall be two (2) years.”

Regarding all members of the PRHB, City Charter Section 1811(d) also states, “Members may serve no more than eight (8) consecutive years.”



Questions/Comments

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PUBLIC COMMENT

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