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Tenant Issues Committee

Meeting No. 2 Contact Jennifer Lin, Committee Secretary

Meeting DateWednesday, February 24, 2016Phone416-392-4666Start Time7:00 PME-mailexc@toronto.ca

Location Committee Room 1, City Hall Chair Councillor Josh Matlow

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Proposed Multi-Residential Rental Building Licence

Committee Decision

The Tenant Issues Committee recommends to the Licensing and Standards Committee that:

- 1. City Council direct that current initiatives to create a licensing regime for owners of multiunit residential buildings be termed "RentSafe", and that all future Staff Reports and City communications regarding this initiative use this term.
- 2. The Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards be requested to report to the May 19, 2016 meeting of the Licensing and Standards Committee on the regulatory changes required under the provincial Residential Tenancies Act to prohibit landlords with outstanding work orders, or those that are otherwise not in compliance with the forthcoming "RentSafe" bylaw, to:
 - a. Apply for an Above the Guideline Rent Increase,
 - b. Apply for a Guideline Rent Increase,
 - c. Lease vacant unit, and
 - d. Other options.
- 3. The Executive Director, Municipal Licensing and Standards be requested to report to the May 19, 2016 meeting of the Licencing and Standards Committee on how the following might strengthen the Multi-Residential Apartment Building (MRAB) Audit and Enforcement Program:
 - a. the use of rent escrow accounts to deal with non-compliant landlords, and
 - b. the use of community organizations to help with Municipal Licensing and Standards' tenant education, communication and outreach.

Decision Advice and Other Information

The Director, Investigation Services, Municipal Licensing and Standards gave a presentation on Proposed Multi-Residential Rental Building Licence.

Summary

The Director, Investigation Services, Municipal Licensing and Standards will make a presentation on a Proposed Multi-Residential Rental Building Licence.

Background Information

(February 24, 2016) Presentation form the Director, Investigation Services, Municipal Licensing and Standards on Proposed Multi-Residential Rental Building Licence (http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2016/td/bgrd/backgroundfile-90754.pdf)

Speakers

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