Minutes St. Paul Rent Stabilization Task Force March 01, 2022

Members present: Katherine Banbury, Cecile Bedor, Jay Benanav, Clinton Blaiser, Monica Bravo, Scott Cordes, Phillip Cryan, Arline Datu, Malik Davis, Khayree Duckett, Kelly Elkin, Tou Fang, Jessica Fowler, Thomas Godfrey, Robbie Grossman, Tram Hoang, Myisha Holley, Rich Holst, Mya Honeywell, Abdiaziz Ibrahim, Rawnson Ivanoff, Chue Kue, Bill Lindeke, Nene Matey-Keke, Carin Mrotz, Dalton Outlaw, Kevin Pranis, B. Rosas, Tony Sanneh, Katheryn Schneider, Julie Schwartz, Emmanuel Speare, Chris Tolbert, Marcus Troy

Members not present: Tony Barranco, Carolyn Brown, Nathaniel Khaliq, Tom Nelson, D'Angelos Svenkeson, J. Kou Vang, Clara Ware

City of St. Paul staff present: Tara Barenok, Jon Grebner, David Gorski, Luis Pereira, Ian Walsh, Doua Yang, Tony Johnson

CURA staff present: C. Terrence Anderson, Tony Damiano, Edward Goetz, Trupti Storlie

1. Call to order

• The meeting was called to order at 1:00 by Phillip Cryan. The meeting was virtual.

2. Agenda

- Approval of Previous Minutes, Ground Rules
- Summary of Week 1 Feedback Survey
- Learning Session: Rent Control History, Legislation, Caps

3. Approval of Previous Minutes, Ground Rules

- Meeting minutes were amended to include Kirstin Burch as a City of St. Paul staff member
- Meeting minutes were amended to correct the spelling of Katheryn Schneider's name.
- Vote: Minutes approved with amendments
- Ground rules: First item was updated
 - Original: Be real and true to your experience when sharing observations of perceived experience.
 - o Amended: Be real and true to your experience when sharing observations of perceived experience with concrete information.
- **Vote**: Ground rules were approved
- Both documents will be published on the city webpage and available in a stakeholder shared folder.

4. Summary of Week 1 Feedback Survey

- Ed Goetz presented themes from the four survey questions from the previous week
- C. Terrence Anderson noted that the primary purpose of the survey was for stakeholders to get to know the differences in perspectives; the results are for the stakeholder team.
- De-identified, full responses were requested and will be sent out.

5. Learning Session: Rent Control History, Legislation, Caps

- Evolution of rent control approach: From rigid prices freezes to complex and flexible set of regulations
- Political ebb and flow: Popularity changes over time
- Four approaches to setting cap
- Research findings related to rent levels and tenant stability under rent caps

6. Adjournment

• The meeting was adjourned at 3:01 p.m by Phillip Cryan.