

**CITY OF NORWALK
FAIR RENT COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024
IN-PERSON AND VIA TELECONFERENCE**

ATTENDANCE: John Church; Chair, Fran Collier-Clemmons; Vice Chair, Lunice Constant, Sonja Oliver, Brenda Penn-Williams, Peter Halladay, Johnny Mae Wheldon

STAFF: Carlos Duque; Coordinator, Russell Liskov, Esq., Genevieve Van de Merghel; Court Reporter

OTHER: Michael Church; Owner of Cutting Edge Property Management, LLC,

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

a. June 5, 2024

The following corrections were made to the minutes:

- In-person should be included with Via Teleconference.
- The change to a semi-colon after Lunise Constant.
- Brenda Penn-Williams and Hanson Guest were included as attendees.
- Correction of a typographical error on page two.

**** MS. OLIVER MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS AMENDED.
** THE MOTION WAS SECONDED.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

**FAIR RENT HEARING CASE # 1848-24
GIRALDO V. CUTTING EDGE MANAGEMENT LLC**

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Mr. Church recused himself citing a potential conflict of interest. Ms. Collier-Clemons; Vice Chair led the hearing.

Ms. Collier-Clemmons called the hearing to order at 6:44 p.m

Ms. Collier-Clemmons explained the process. She and the commission heard the statements. The commission deliberated. It was indicated that a decision would be rendered in ten days.

The Commission took a break at 8:23 p.m. and resumed at 8:30 p.m.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Mr. Church turned the floor to Ms. Collier-Clemmons for the Chair's Report. Ms. Collier Clemmons thanked the commission for their service.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Duque discussed the Chair of the House Committee; and Senator Moore's plan to create a coalition of fair rent commissions to assist residents better. He stated a meeting was scheduled for July, 19th. Mr. Church suggested putting the outcome on the next agenda

REVIEW, DISCUSSION, AND MOTIONS ON OPEN CASES

1831-23

Attorney Liskov reviewed the case. He indicated that during the hearing they voted to leave it open until January 24, 2025 He recommended taking no action.

**** MR. CHURCH MOVED TO TO POSTPONE 1831-23 TO JANUARY 2025
** THE MOTION WAS SECONDED.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

1839-23

Attorney Liskov reviewed the case and recommended no action be taken.

No motions were moved forward.

1840-24

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Attorney Liskov reviewed the case and made a recommendation to close.

**** MS. COLLIER-CLEMMONS MOVED TO CLOSE THE CASE.
** THE MOTION WAS SECONDED.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

1848-24

Attorney Liskov noted that action was taken during the hearing.

1849-24

Attorney Liskov reviewed the case. He stated he thinks they need to follow through with the eviction process and recommended taking no action.

**** MR. CHURCH MOVED TO TAKE NO ACTION PENDING THE OUTCOME OF
THE EVICTION PROCEEDINGS.
** THE MOTION WAS SECONDED.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

PRESENTATION OF NEW CASES

1850-24

Attorney Liskov recommended that they vote not to hear the case.

**** MR. CHURCH MOVED THAT THE COMMISSION NOT HEAR CASE 1850-24
** THE MOTION WAS SECONDED.
** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

Mr. Church thanked everyone for being present. He commented on the smoothness of the hearing. He responded to the proposal of doing all in-person meetings pointing out the cost and inconvenience to the members.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss.

Mr. Church proceeded to thank Mr. Duque for his efforts in putting together the brunch. Mr. Church also emphasized the need to fill the vacancies they have on the commission.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

**** MR. HALLADAY MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING**
**** THE MOTION WAS SECONDED.**
**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting ended at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
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