COMMISSION ON LANDLORD-TENANT AFFAIRS MINUTES – December 3, 2024

IN ATTENDANCE:

COMMISSIONERS: Alison Graham, Destiny Igiebor, David Goldberg, Clover Baker-Brown,

Stefanie Milovic, David Moskowitz, Don Weinstein, Sherry Glazer, Aluanda

Drain, Thomas Jackson and Gagik Karapetyan

COUNTY ATTORNEY: Walter Wilson

OLTA: Nicolle Katrivanos and Rosie McCray-Moody

There was a regular (virtual – Zoom) meeting of the Montgomery County Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs on Tuesday, December 3, 2024. Commissioner Dave Goldberg was scheduled to chair the meeting but was having IT difficulties; Commissioner David Moskowitz graciously stepped in, calling the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Thank you Commissioner Moskowitz.

Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes

The October 1, 2024, minutes were approved with two Commissioners abstaining – Sherry Glazer and Gagik Karapetyan.

Submission of Landlord-Tenant Cases/Scheduling of Cases:

No cases were presented at this meeting.

Appeals to Circuit Court: Update

Case No.45464, Carolyn Stroman v. Inigo's Crossing LLC –

There were no changes to this case and a hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, December 11, 2024, regarding the remand to COLTA.

License Revocations:

None

Subcommittee Reports:

Commissioner Destiny Igiebor reported that the Public Awareness Subcommittee Report was being reviewed by Walter Wilson, County Attorney and she would make an official report at the next meeting.

Staff Report:

OLTA Manager Nicolle Katrivanos reported that Investigator Jane Blackwell retired at the end of November, after over thirty years of service. The office is planning a small outing and information will be forwarded once plans are finalized. Her vacancy has been posted and closed Tuesday, December 3, 2024. We received applications for potential Commissioners and decided December 19, 2024, was the best date for interviews. Rosie McCray-Moody requested volunteers to interview them and is awaiting responses. Anyone who is reapplying is not eligible for the panel. Commissioners Dave Moskowitz and Clover Baker-Brown have volunteered to update/revise the interview questions and will forward them to Nicolle Katrivanos on completion.

Old Business:

The shadow training to observe hearings will no longer be automatic but there is one left, probably in January. Information is forthcoming. This does not preclude any Commissioner from observing a hearing on their own.

New Business:

There have been problems with everyone receiving information using the Listserv database. This has been reported several times but not been corrected. Ms. Katrivanos is working on this and will send each email with the Commissioners listed individually until the problems is fixed.

Setting of Next Commission Meeting:

Commissioner Dave Goldberg was assigned as Chair for the next meeting, on January 7, 2025.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.