



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Draft LANDLORD AND TENANT ISSUES COMMITTEE

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Thursday, January 21, 2021

5:00 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING

The City of Madison is holding the Landlord and Tenant Issues Committee meeting virtually to help protect our community from the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

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Meeting ID: 952 8089 0295

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Staff present: Director George Hank, Attorney Steve Brist, Hearing Examiners Joanne Keane and Mitch, Amanda Hoadley, and Gabriela Arteaga.

Present: 5 - Max Prestigiacomo; Molly A. Wells; Curtis V. Brink; David R. Sparer and Soong Kit Wong

Absent: 1 - Trent C. Claybaugh

Excused: 1 - Megan D. Osowski

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Wong moved to approve, Brink seconded. Minutes approved unanimously

Absent: 1 - Trent C. Claybaugh

Ayes: 5 - Max Prestigiacomio; Molly A. Wells; Curtis V. Brink; David R. Sparer and Soong Kit Wong

Excused: 1 - Megan D. Osowski

3. [63795](#) PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

4. DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

No disclosures or recusals.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

5. [63324](#) Amending Section 32.04(4)(e)(1) of the Madison General Ordinances to waive the rent abatement application fee for tenants who apply prior to June 30, 2021.

This ordinance was sent to the Council with a recommendation to adopt.

6. [63336](#) Amending section MGO 32.04(4)(d) of the Madison General Ordinances to allow the Hearing Examiner to order abatement of rent under multiple sections of the impairing list

Attachments: [MGO 32.04\(4\)\(d\) multi-purpose room.pdf](#)

Wong moved approval, Brink seconded. Unanimous approval to send to council for introduction. Steve will prepare for introduction file # 363896.

7. [63044](#) Review AHAA recommendations, specifically how the city can help prevent evictions, operationalizing the Landlord and Tenant's Gold Star program, and the role of nonprofits

Attachments: [AHAA policy recs.pdf](#)

Arteaga will reach out to Matt from Economic Development about land banking. Arteaga will talk to the Housing Recovery team about future CARES funding distribution, perhaps utilizing the RFP process, talk to Jim O'Keefe. Director Hank will talk to Katie Crawley about possibly attending our next meeting to discuss how we can market the Gold Star Program to landlords, or at least get Crawley's assistance behind the scenes.

8. [61471](#) Committee will decide on logistics for conducting a racial equity analysis on the Rent Abatement process, section 32.04 of the Madison General Ordinances.

Attachments: [Schedule of Rent Impairing Violations.pdf](#)
[Comprehensive Racial Equity Analysis Tool.docx](#)
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First Equity Analysis meeting will be March 4th at 5pm. There will be at least

three 90 minute long meetings. Other dates will be agreed upon through a survey monkey or at the first meeting. Hoping for three consecutive Thursdays. Arteaga will reach out to contacts from local organizations and provide them with a basic summary of rent abatement, maybe a PDF of the ordinance, and the rent abatement brochure.

10. ADJOURNMENT

9. [48913](#) Discussion of Topics and Issues for Upcoming Meetings

Gold Star Program marketing with Katie Crawley, land banking, CARES Act funding update, proposal to put everything we possibly can on the website since people can't come to the public access computer right now (this will cut back on Open Records requests too, problem has been sharing tenant info publicly)