



City of Ann Arbor

Formal Minutes

Renters Commission

301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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Thursday, November 21, 2024

7:30 PM

Electronic Meeting

Broadcast live on CTN Cable Channel 16, ATT Channel 99, and online at a2gov.org/watchCTN
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1 **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Ratcliff called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM

2 **ROLL CALL**

Others present:

Lisha Turner-Tolbert, Building and Rental Services Manager

Greg Scrimger, City of Ann Arbor Development Services Inspector IV

City of Ann Arbor Senior Assistant City Attorney, John Reiser

Kristen Vander Lugt, City of Ann Arbor Deputy City Clerk

All members of the Renters Commission attended the meeting electronically from Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Present: 8 - Robert Droppleman, Rosanita Ratcliff, Dandan Chen, Travis Radina, Julia Goode, Kimberly Pitts, Michelle Liao, and Hanna Larchinese

Absent: 4 - Jordan Else, Geoffrey Lowes, Cynthia Harrison, and Barbara Wood

At 7:34 Quorum was not met, the commission proceeded to the first public comment.

5 **FIRST GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - THREE MINUTES PER SPEAKER**

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No callers.

6-A [24-1819](#) Discussion/Presentation from Rental Housing Services - Postponed

Attachments: Questions Provided to Rental Housing for 11-21-2024.pdf,
Rental Commission Questions and Presentation.pdf

Lisha Turner-Tolbert and Greg Scrimger answered questions and provided information about Rental Housing Services and inspection processes.

3 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Larchinese, seconded by Chen, approved unanimously as presented with the exception of the first public comment and item 6-A taking place after roll call but before approval of the agenda.

4 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

4-A [24-1817](#) Minutes of the August 15, 2024 Renters Commission Meeting

Attachments: 8-15-2024 Renters Commission Minutes.pdf

Moved by Chen seconded by Goode, approved unanimously as presented and forwarded to the City Council.

4-B [24-1818](#) Meeting of the September 19, 2024 Renters Commission Meeting

Attachments: 9-17-2024 Renters Commission Minutes.pdf

Moved by Chen seconded by Goode, approved unanimously as presented and forwarded to the City Council.

4-C [24-1966](#) Minutes of the October 17, 2024 Renters Commission Meeting

Attachments: 10-17-2024 Renters Commission Meeting Minutes.pdf

Moved by Chen seconded by Goode, approved unanimously as presented and forwarded to the City Council.

6 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

6-B [24-1967](#) Discussion - Renters Commission Bylaws

Attachments: Renters Commission bylaws APPROVED 9-6-22.pdf,
Renters Commission Bylaws - Proposed Changes
11-19-2024.pdf

The Commission determined that they would vote on the proposed bylaw changes at the next meeting.

7 **NEW BUSINESS**

7-A **Plan for December 19, 2024 Renters Commission Meeting**

The Commission plans to discuss the following at their December meeting:

*Bylaws
Meeting Calendar
Workplan*

8 **REPORTS**

8-A **REPORT FROM CITY COUNCIL**

Councilmember Radina provided an update on a proposed pre-tenancy fee ordinance.

8-B **REPORT FROM HHSAB**

No report.

8-C **REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONERS**

No report.

8-D **REPORT FROM STAFF LIAISON**

No report.

9 **SECOND GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT - THREE MINUTES PER SPEAKER**

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No callers.

10 **COMMUNICATION**

10-A **24-1968** Various Communication to the Renters Commission

Attachments: Courthouse Square_Redacted2.pdf

Received and Filed

11 **ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved by Ratcliff, seconded by Chen, adjourned unanimously at
9:10 PM**

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