# MINUTES OF THE FAIRFAX COUNTY TENANT-LANDLORD COMMISSION

December 19, 2013 Fairfax County Government Center

12000 Government Center Parkway

Fairfax, Virginia 22035 Conference Room 9 Chair Gomez presiding

Attendees: Commissioners Panettieri, Gomez,

Geier-Smith, Kocsis, Congleton

Absentees: McRae, McEnearney

Staff Attending: Staff Attending:

MichaelS. Liberman, Director Cable and Consumer Services Susan C. Jones, Branch Chief Consumer Affairs Branch Vee Johnson, StaffLiaison Consumer Affairs Branch

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Chair Gomez.

### Minutes

• A motion was made by Commissioner Panettieri and seconded by Commissioner Kocsis to approve the minutes from November 21, 2013. The motion carried unanimously.

# Reports

• Chair Gomez thanked the Commissioners for their time and attendance throughout 2013.

## **Director's Report**

• Director Liberman did not have a report.

### **Committee Report**

• Commissioner Geier-Smith did not have a report.

#### **Staff Report**

- Staff provided information about maintenance and repair issues with a parent group at Bailey's Crossroads Elementary School on December 5, 2013. Material prepared by the Commission was distributed.
- A summary of two closed cases mediated by staff was presented. One case involved a dispute about a security deposit deduction for the replacement of a 20 year old air conditioning system. The other complaint involved a tenant facing foreclosure in a rental property.

## **Commission Matters**

- The calendar was reviewed. No changes or additions at this time.
- Commissioner Kocsis inquired about the noise ordinance. Commissioner Congleton provided background and answered questions. Staff will provide more information about this ordinance at the January meeting.
- Chair Gomez reminded Commissioners with expiring terms to seek reappointment.

# **Unfinished Business**

• None

### **New Business**

• In accordance with Article IV of the Bylaws, the following slate of candidates was nominated:

Chair Commissioner Congleton
Tenant Vice-Chair Commissioner Panettieri
Landlord Vice-Chair Commissioner Kocsis
Secretary Commissioner Geier-Smith

The election will be conducted at the February meeting.

 The Fairfax County Human Rights Commission and Equal Rights Commission will provide information regarding Emotional Support Animals and Fair Housing Laws at the January meeting.

#### **Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Commissioner Geier-Smith and seconded by Commissioner Congleton to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:24p.m.