

SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL

Sustainability and Renters' Rights Committee

Agenda

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

2:00 PM

Special Meeting

Remote Meeting. Call 253-215-8782; Meeting ID: 586 416 9164; or Seattle Channel online.

Kshama Sawant, Chair Tammy J. Morales, Vice-Chair Debora Juarez, Member Andrew J. Lewis, Member Alex Pedersen, Member Teresa Mosqueda, Alternate

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Committee Website:

http://www.seattle.gov/council/committees/sustainability-and-renters-rights

This meeting also constitutes a meeting of the City Council, provided that the meeting shall be conducted as a committee meeting under the Council Rules and Procedures, and Council action shall be limited to committee business.

In-person attendance is currently prohibited per Washington State Governor's Proclamation 20-28.15, until the COVID-19 State of Emergency is terminated or Proclamation 20-28 is rescinded by the Governor or State legislature. Meeting participation is limited to access by telephone conference line and online by the Seattle Channel.

Register online to speak during the Public Comment period at the 2:00 p.m. Sustainability and Renters' Rights Committee at http://www.seattle.gov/council/committees/public-comment.

Online registration to speak at the Sustainability and Renters' Rights Committee meeting will begin two hours before the 2:00 p.m. meeting start time, and registration will end at the conclusion of the Public Comment period during the meeting. Speakers must be registered in order to be recognized by the Chair.

Submit written comments to Councilmember Sawant at

Kshama.Sawant@seattle.gov

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Please Note: Times listed are estimated

- A. Call To Order
- B. Approval of the Agenda
- C. Public Comment
- D. Items of Business
- 1. Panel discussion on closing the fixed-term lease loophole in Seattle's Just Cause Eviction Ordinance protections (CB 120056 and CB 120057)

Briefing and Discussion (45 minutes)

Presenters: Violet Lavatai, Tenants Union of Washington; Colin Donovan, LGBTQ Allyship Renter Committee; Daniela Lizárraga, El Centro de la Raza; Kaitlin Heinen, Housing Justice Project; Colton Kenyon, Renee Gordon, Sean Butterfield, Jake Laundry, and Jordan Van Voast, Seattle Renters

2. CB 120056

AN ORDINANCE related to termination of residential tenancies; extending just cause protections to rental agreement renewals or extensions; providing a defense to eviction when a landlord violates the duty to renew or extend a tenancy except for a just cause; and amending Section 22.206.160 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

<u>Supporting</u>

Documents: Summary and Fiscal Note

Central Staff Memo for CBs 120056 & 120057 (5/12/21)

Briefing and Discussion (20 minutes for Items 2 and 3)

Presenter for Items 2 and 3: Asha Venkataraman, Council Central

Staff

3. <u>CB 120057</u>

AN ORDINANCE relating to the renewal or continuation of residential rental tenancies; requiring a landlord have just cause for refusing to renew or continue a rental agreement for a specified time; and amending Sections 7.24.030 and 22.206.160 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

Supporting

Documents: Summary and Fiscal Note v2

Central Staff Memo for CBs 120056 & 120057 (5/12/21)

Briefing and Discussion

4. CB 120046

AN ORDINANCE relating to termination of residential rental tenancies; providing a defense to certain evictions of children, their families, and educators during the school year; and amending Section 22.206.160 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

Supporting

<u>Documents:</u> <u>Summary and Fiscal Note</u>

Briefing and Discussion (10 minutes)

Presenter: Ted Virdone, Office of Councilmember Kshama Sawant

E. Adjournment