



# **Alameda Rent Program**

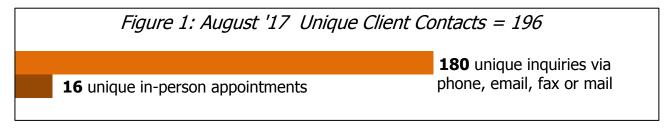
Monthly Report – August 2017

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#### Outreach

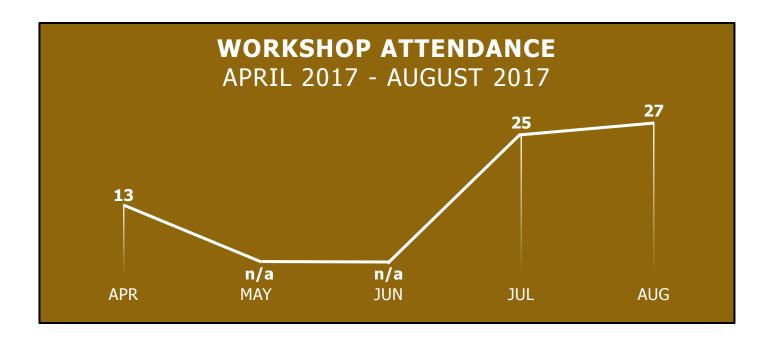
#### **Public Contacts**



 After an initial inquiry was received, staff had an average of between 3 and 4 contacts with each client to resolve the inquiry. (Total follow-up communications = 699)

#### **Educational Workshops**

- The Rent Program offers two unique workshops on the following topics:
  - Rent Increases
  - Terminations of Tenancy
- Educational workshops are generally available twice per month during daytime and evening hours.
- Total August attendees = 27 individuals

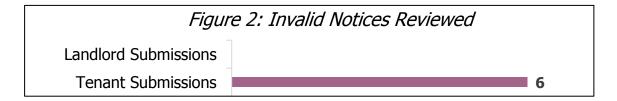


## Rent Increases (View Exhibit 1 for details)

# A). Total Notices Reviewed - 20

#### **Invalid notices reviewed = 6**

- Parties are informed that an invalid notice must be rescinded and the tenant is owed reimbursement if the rent increase was imposed in violation of the Ordinance.
- These submissions are not reviewed by RRAC



#### Valid submissions scheduled for RRAC = 14

Brief overview of submission trends

- Rent increase frequency: 36% of tenants received a rent increase the previous year
- **Length of tenancy:** 50% of tenants had resided at the property for 5+ years 29% of tenants had resided at the property for 10+ years
- New ownership: 36% of properties had a change of ownership within the last 6 mths

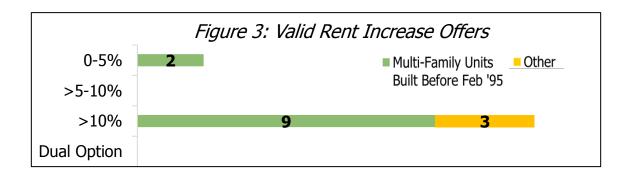


Figure 4: Valid Rent Increase Offers Cumulative Data for April '17 - March '18									
0-5% >5-10% >10% Dual Option									
Multi-Family Units Built Before Feb '95	7	11	21	32					
Other	0	6	6	0					

# Rent Increases (View Exhibit 1 for details) - continued

# B). Rent Review Advisory Committee (RRAC) outcomes

August submissions are scheduled for review at the following month's meeting: September 6, 2017 RRAC Regular Meeting

- 3 of 14 (21.4%) valid submissions were reviewed by the RRAC
  - ✓ One (1) unit subject to a non-binding recommendation
    - Submission 926: 1 bedroom condominium at base rent \$1,400
      - Rent increase request: \$1,100 (78.6%), to a total rent of \$2,500
      - Outcome: Tenant offered to increase rent to \$1,800. Landlord offered rent at \$2,100. Parties did not reach an agreement. RRAC recommended a rent increase of \$400 (28.6%) from \$1,400 to \$1,800.
  - √ Two (2) units subject to a binding recommendation
    - Submission 872.1: 1 bedroom multi-family unit at base rent \$1,100
      - Rent increase request: \$650 (59.1%), to a total rent of \$1,750
      - Outcome: Tenant offered to increase to \$1,200. Parties did not reach an agreement. RRAC recommended a rent increase of \$100 (9.1%) from \$1,100 to \$1,200.
    - Submission 919: 1 bedroom multi-family unit at base rent \$1,300
      - Rent increase request: \$130 (10.0%), to a total rent of \$1,430
      - Outcome: Parties agreed \$130.00 (10.0%) rent increase, effective as a stepped increase. \$65.00 will become effective October 1, 2017 and an additional \$65.00 becomes effective six months later on April 1, 2018.

# Figure 5: Submissions Reviewed by RRAC Agreement Reached Binding Recommendation Non-Binding Recommendation Agreement Reached Binding Recommendation 1 Other

Figure 6: Submissions Reviewed by RRAC									
Cumulative data for April '17 - March '18									
Outcome Multi-Family Units Built Before Feb '95 Other									
Agreement Reached	2	0							
Binding Recommendation	3	0							
Non-Binding Recommendation 1 2									

# Rent Increases (View Exhibit 1 for details) - continued

# C). Valid submissions not reviewed by RRAC

• 11 of 14 (78.6%) valid submissions were not reviewed by RRAC due to the reasons indicated in Figure 7, below. More details are available in Exhibit 1.

Figure 7: Submissions <u>Not</u> R	eviewed by RRAC	
Agreement: Less than increase offered	4	■ Multi-Family Units Built Before Feb '95
Agreement: Same increase as offered	2 1	Other
Review request withdrawn	1	
Tenant did not attend RRAC meeting	1	
Tenant decided to move	1	
Postponed	1	

Figure 8: Submissions <u>Not</u> Reviewed by RRAC Cumulative data for April '17 - March '18								
Outcome Multi-Family Units Built Before Feb '95 Oth								
Agreement: Less than increase offered	12	1						
Agreement: Same increase as offered	38*	4						
Tenant moved	5	1						
Request for review withdrawn	6	1						
Tenant did not attend RRAC	5	0						
Review postponed	0	1						

<sup>\*</sup>Includes 22 cases with dual offers – these tenants all accepted offers for increases less than 5%.

# **Terminations of Tenancy** (View Exhibit 2 for details)

### Total Notices Reviewed - 19

#### **Termination Notices Withdrawn = 11**

- Notices are withdrawn when there are deficiencies in the notice or the landlord chooses to rescind when informed of unit restrictions.
  - x Five (5) terminations were invalid for "Owner Move-In" (OMI)
  - x Four (4) terminations were invalid for **Notice to Vacate "No Cause" (NC)**
  - x Two (2) terminations invalid for failure to provide an allowable cause

#### **Valid Submission = 8**

- ✓ Four (4) terminations for "Owner Move-In" (OMI)
  - One (1) unit was a condominium
  - Two (2) units were single-family dwellings
  - One (1) unit was a multi-family dwelling
- ✓ Four (4) terminations for Notice to Vacate "No Cause" (NC)
  - One (1) unit was a condominium
  - Four (4) units were multi-family dwellings

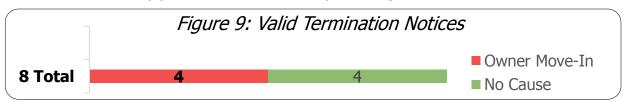


Figure 10: Valid termination notices cumulative data for April '17 - March '18No CauseOwner Move-InWithdrawal from rental marketOther1315101

#### **RELOCATION ASSISTANCE**

- Relocation assistance is calculated based on monthly rent and length of tenancy.
- Relocation assistance ranged from \$5,809.00 \$13,953.00
- Length of tenancy details:
  - o Four (4) submissions were served on tenants residing in their unit for **0-5 years**
  - Four (4) submissions were served on tenants residing in their unit for 6-10 years

#### Note: Termination submissions include rent increase reviews

Termination paperwork indicates if there has been a rent increase in the previous 12 months preceding the termination effective date. Staff reviews rent increases identified in the paperwork for compliance with City regulations.

# **Exhibit 1 - Rent Increase Submissions**

Valid Rent Increase Submissions													
Submission	mission Submission Individual				Base	Included	# of	Rent incre	ease history	Rent increase	Rent increase	3rd party	
month	#	submitting review request	Unit	Rent	with rent	tenants	Prior increase #1	Prior increase #2	offer	effective date recommendation	Outcome		
AUG 2017	909	Tenant	1 Bedroom	\$ 890.00	Water, Parking, Garbage	2	Effective 2016: \$65.00 (7.9%)	Effective 2010: \$100.00 (13.8%)	\$40.00 (4.5%)	8/1/2017	Non-binding	Withdrawn	
AUG 2017	911	Landlord	Condo: 3 Bedroom	\$2,025.00	n/a	2	-	Effective 2014: \$50.00 (2.5%)	\$1,556.96 (76.9%)	9/1/2017	Non-binding	Postponed one month.  RRAC recommendation at 10/2/17 mtg: \$400.00 (19.6%)	
AUG 2017	915	Tenant	2 Bedroom	\$1,730.00	electricity, parking, pool, elevator	3	Effective 2016: \$80.00 (4.8%)	Effective 2015: \$75.00 (4.7%)	\$85.00 (4.9%)	8/1/2017	Non-binding	Agreement: \$40.00 (2.3%)	
AUG 2017	872.1	Landlord	1 Bedroom	\$1,100.00	Parking	1	Tenancy began 2012	-	\$650.00 (59.1%)	12/1/2017	Binding	RRAC recommendation at 9/6/17 mtg: \$100.00 (9.1%	
AUG 2017	918	Landlord	1 Bedroom	\$ 900.00	Water, Garbage	n/a	Effective 2015: \$100.00 (12.5%)	Effective 2013: \$100.00 (14.3%)	\$90.00 (10.0%)	9/1/2017	Binding	Agreement: \$90.00 (10.0%)	
AUG 2017	919	Landlord	1 Bedroom	\$1,300.00	Water, Garbage	n/a	Effective 2015: \$100.00 (8.3%)	Tenancy began in 2011	\$130.00 (10%)	9/1/2017	Binding	Agreement at 9/6/17 RRAC mtg \$130, effective as stepped increase \$65.00 (5.0%) - Oct. 1 \$65.00 (5.0%) - Apr. 1	
AUG 2017	920	Landlord	1 Bedroom	\$1,150.00	Water, Garbage	n/a	Effective 2015: \$100.00 (9.5%)	Effective 2013: \$100.00 (10.5%)	\$115.00 (10.0%)	9/1/2017	Binding	Agreement: \$115.00 (10.0%)	
AUG 2017	921	Landlord	1 Bedroom	\$1,225.00	Water, Garbage	n/a	Effective 2015: \$100.00 (8.9%)	Effective 2013: \$100.00 (9.8%)	\$120.00 (9.8%)	9/1/2017	Binding	Tenant did not attend RRAC meeting	
AUG 2017	925	Landlord	Single Family Home: 3 Bedroom	\$2,425.00	n/a	3	Effective 2015: \$175.00 (7.8%)	Tenancy began in 2010	\$425.00 (17.5%)	10/1/2017	Non-binding	Agreement: \$425 (17.5%)	
AUG 2017	926	Landlord	Condo: 1 Bedroom	\$1,400.00	Water, Garbage	2	Effective 2016: \$200.00 (16.7%)	Effective 2015: \$100.00 (9.1%)	\$1,100.00 (78.0%)	10/1/2017	Non-binding	RRAC recommendation at 9/6/17 mtg: \$400.00 (28.6%)	
AUG 2017	923.1	Landlord	1 Bedroom	\$1,100.00	Parking, Garbage	1	Effective 2015: \$150.00 (15.8%)	Effective 2014: \$25.00 (2.7%)	\$900.00 (81.8%)	11/1/2017	Binding	Tenant decided to move	
AUG 2017	924.1	Landlord	1 Bedroom	\$1,650.00	Parking, Garbage	1	Tenancy began 2015	-	\$450.00 (27.3%)	11/1/2017	Binding	Agreement: \$175.00 (10.6%)	
AUG 2017	927.1	Landlord	1 Bedroom	\$1,095.00	Parking, Garbage	1	n/a	Tenancy began 2006	\$648.00 (59.2%)	11/1/2017	Binding	Agreement: \$320.00 (29.2%)	
AUG 2017	928.1	Landlord	1 Bedroom	\$1,100.00	Parking, Garbage	2	Tenancy began 2014	-	\$900.00 (81.8%)	11/1/2017	Binding	Agreement: \$300.00 (27.3%)	

<sup>\*</sup> Two lease options offered at different rates: 12-month rate equal to or less than 5%; Month-to-month Above 5%. If the tenant chose for a review of the month-to-month offer, the case type became binding.

# **Exhibit 2 - Termination Submissions**

				Valid Termination o	f Tenancy S	ubmissi	ons					
Filing Date	Submission number	Address	Cause for termination	Termination Unit Restrictions	Relocation Assistance	Bedrooms	Date Tenancy Began	Base Rent	Utilities Include with Rent	Tenants (Ages 0-17)	Tenants (Ages 18-61)	Tenants (Ages 62+)
8/1/2017	TN00123	305 San Beach Road	Owner Move-In	Owners must occupy the unit within 60 days of tenant vacating unit and occupy for at least a year.	\$12,369.67	3	8/2/2008	\$2,725.00	None	2	2	0
8/1/2017	TN00124	5 Clipper Drive	Owner Move-In	Owners must occupy the unit within 60 days of tenant vacating unit and occupy for at least a year.	\$13,953.00	4	2/15/2013	\$3,100.00	None	0	0	2
8/2/2017	TN00125	1251 Regent Street	Owner Move-In	Owners must occupy the unit within 60 days of tenant vacating unit and occupy for at least a year.	\$6,573.00	2	8/1/2009	\$1,255.00	Gas, Electricity, Water, Garbage, & Parking	1	1	0
8/9/2017	TN00127	2917 Bayview Dr.	Notice to Vacate "No Cause"	New tenant rent limit: \$3,255.00	\$13,953.00	3	6/1/2013	\$3,100.00	None	0	1	0
8/18/2017	TN00093.2	470 Central Ave., Unit 11	Notice to Vacate "No Cause"	New tenant rent limit: \$1,184.40	\$6,065.00	1	10/21/2013	\$1,128.00	Gas, Water, Garbage & Parking	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
8/18/2017	TN00094.2	470 Central Ave., Unit 12	Notice to Vacate "No Cause"	New tenant rent limit: \$1,207.50	\$6,153.00	1	11/6/2014	\$1,150.00	Gas, Water, Garbage & Parking	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
8/18/2017	TN00095.2	470 Central Ave., Unit 14	Notice to Vacate "No Cause"	New tenant rent limit: \$1,117.20	\$5,809.00	1	12/1/2010	\$1,064.00	Gas, Water, Garbage & Parking	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
8/31/2017	TN00135	3349 Fernside Blvd	Owner Move-In	Owners must occupy the unit within 60 days of tenant vacating unit and occupy for at least a year.	\$8,781.32	3	12/1/2007	\$1,885.00	Gas & Cable TV	0	0	1