

Tacoma Human Rights Commission
STUDY SESSION

DATE August 18, 2022

TIME 5:30 p.m.

PLACE Zoom Meeting

Join Zoom Meeting

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AGENDA

Call to Order (1 min)

Discussion on Crime Reduction Plan (40 mins)

Committee Discussion (5 mins)

2022 HRC Retreat Planning (10 mins)

Adjournment

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BUSINESS MEETING

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Call to Order (1 min)

Roll Call (1 min)

Approval of Business Meeting Agenda (1 min)

No Meeting in July, due to No Quorum

Public Comment (2 mins per speaker)

Staff Reports (5 mins)

Report to Commission the closures of Employment cases:

Adrian Simoneaux vs. Royal Gardens Cannabis;
Juan Carlos Gonzalez Sandoval vs. Tacoma Dodge;
Sue Miller vs. Washington State DOL;
Matthew McDaniels vs. City of Tacoma

Betty Serjeant vs. Tacoma G Street Family Housing
HUD # 10-22-9240-8
Tacoma Human Rights Commission # 4909

The Complainant, Betty Serjeant, lives at the Guadalupe Vista Apartments. The Guadalupe Vista Apartments were managed by Respondent Alicia Bowman and owned by Respondent Tacoma G Street Family Housing, LLC.

Ms. Serjeant is disabled. She is visually impaired and requires large print documents to accommodate her disability. She needs these large print documents to ensure she can conduct normal business at the Guadalupe Vista Apartments. Ms. Serjeant made several verbal requests of Ms. Bowman to provide large print documents as a reasonable accommodation. Her most recent request was approximately May 25, 2022. Ms. Bowman refused to grant Ms. Serjeant's request for the large print documents.

On June 22, 2022, Ms. Serjeant filed a complaint with the City of Tacoma regarding the denial of her reasonable accommodation. After the filing her complaint, she negotiated with the Respondents to address her request. She subsequently entered into this Pre-Finding Settlement Agreement with the Respondents. The Respondents agreed to provide Ms. Serjeant her large print documents, create an internal policy at the Guadalupe Vista Apartments as regards future reasonable accommodation requests, and consented to have staff at Guadalupe Vista take fair housing training.

Human Rights Staff asks the Human Rights Commission to offer the following motion:

"I motion that the Commission approves the Pre-finding Settlement Agreement between Betty Serjeant and Guadalupe Vista Apartments."

After the motion is second and approved, Staff will continue the closure process.

New Business (45 mins)

Discussion Crime Reduction Plan (30 mins)

Committee Reports (10 mins)

Announcements (2 mins)

Adjournment