Real Property Tax Appeals Commission
Administrative Meeting Minutes
September 7, 2021

Vice Chair Amato called the meeting to order at 4:05pm

Roll Call
Present: Richard Amato, Cliftine Jones, May Chan, Frank Sanders, Trent Williams (only four full time commissioners)

Absent: Stacie Scott (resigned); John Woods, Ronald Hudson, Alvin Jackson (not reappointed), Eddie Dugas, Neil Ollivierra, Wendy Gadson (resigned), Rod Davis (resigned)

Vice-Chairman Report
No report from the Vice-Chairman

Executive Director Report
● RPTAC finished Tax Year 2021 in August. This was well beyond the statutory requirement of February 1. The limitations of not having a chairperson, one full time commissioner out of office on family leave, the significant increase in cases (1,000+), time constraints among part time commissioners, and technical and personal constraints placed upon the Commission and its commissioners/staff all contributed to this delay.
● Tax Year 2022 will begin September 14 and schedules will be sent out in the next 24 hours. September will be a light schedule with only six hearing dates since OTR was slightly delayed in completing first level appeals.
● RPTAC received a slate of candidates for the two full-time temporary hearing examiner positions. Interviews will begin this week with the hopes of having the two positions start in the new fiscal year.
● The Mayor’s Office of Talent and Appointments (MOTA) has selected a candidate to replace former full-time commissioner Stacie Scott.
● The MOTA has selected a candidate for the Chairperson. Trent Williams, current part time commissioner, will be nominated as soon as DC Council returns from recess on September 30.

How to Appeal
N/a - No public attendants requested this presentation

Public Comments

Trent Williams, current part time commissioner, shared a few remarks about his soon-to-be appointment as RPTAC Chairperson.

Wilkes Artis participants congratulated Trent Williams on his soon-to-be nomination.
Wilkes Artis participant (David Fuss) commented that future hearings should grant greater weight to OTR assessor recommendations especially if the petitioner is in agreement with the recommendations. Mr. Fuss also requested a copy of the budget support act that amends the RPTAC statute.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:26pm