



City of Bridgeport

Department of Health & Social Services

Fair Rent Commission

Joseph P. Ganim
Mayor

Dr. Elizabeth Rivera-Rodriguez, MPH
Director of Public Health

Thursday, January 15, 2026

6:00 PM

In-person

Minutes

Attendance:

Commissioners: Frank Adjisegbe, Elizabeth Gonzalez, Ayo Haynes,
April Conquest, and Tawanna Johnson

City Employees:

Attorney James Maye

Director of Clinical Services Nadine` Douglas

- I. Call to Order
 - a. 6:06pm motion to begin meeting by Director of Clinical Services
 - b. Seconded by Commission Chair Frank Adjisegbe
- II. Correspondence
 - a. Tenant and Landlord swearing in by Commission Chair Frank Adjisegbe
- III. Old Business
 - a. Motion to accept minutes from May 15, 2025 and seconded by April Conquest
- IV. Liaison Report
 - a. Case: 101025 Doumbouyavs 340 Palisade LLC.
 - i. Tenant was represented by Attorney Abram J. Heisler and spoke to the hardship of tenant not being able to increase the rental agreement from \$1,050 to \$1,600.
 - ii. Landlord expressed attempts to engage the resident is alternative living arrangements though was stopped short of full explanation.
 - iii. There are no repairs needed to the unit which was expressed by both tenant and landlord.
 - iv. Commissioners made decision of case to be that the tenant will not experience a rental increase this year.
 - b. Case: 120425 Luddy vs Jivenson
 - i. Case dismissed as neither party presented to for their case to be heard.
 - c. Case: 122425 Santiago vs Leifer
 - i. Tenant and landlord represented themselves.



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- ii. The landlord admits that at times he represents himself as the property manager and at times he represents himself as the owner. The landlord confirms that he is the owner of the property to which the tenant resides.
 - iii. Commissioners findings are that the tenant will not have an increase in rental and will be allowed until March 31st to vacate the property.
 - d. Case: 122225B Estrella vs Dawkins
 - i. Tenants and Landlord represented themselves
 - ii. Tenants expressed having another unit that they wished to move to by February 1, 2026, however they wanted to be able to do so without having to pay the late fees or being faced with eviction.
 - iii. Landlord did not and feel that the tenants were weaponizing the use of the health department
 - iv. Tenants will remain in the unit until February 1st. They will not have to pay the late fees owed as they report being up to date with rental agreement. They will receive their security deposit back.
- V. New Business
 - a. Commissioners Meeting Schedules
 - i. January 22,2026 at 6pm
- VI. Motion to Adjourn
 - a. Commissioner Adjisegbe
 - b. Commissioner Johnson seconded
 - c. Motion carried with all in agreementMeeting adjourn 7:52pm