
Rental Housing Commission

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Table DR0-1

Description	FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Approved	FY 2023 Approved	% Change from FY 2022
OPERATING BUDGET	\$1,258,237	\$1,227,908	\$1,359,911	\$1,356,912	-0.2
FTEs	7.4	8.0	9.0	9.0	0.0
CAPITAL BUDGET	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
FTEs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A

The mission of the Rental Housing Commission (RHC) is to ensure the fair and effective implementation of the District of Columbia’s rent stabilization and tenant rights laws by publishing clear legal guidelines and resolving appeals in disputed cases.

Summary Services

The RHC is responsible for the interpretation and application of the Rental Housing Act of 1985, as amended (the Act). The RHC: (1) certifies and publishes the annual, general allowable rent adjustment; (2) issues, amends, and rescinds rules and procedures for the administration of the Act and for the resolution of disputes arising under the Act; and (3) in disputes under the Act, decides appeals from decisions of the Rent Administrator and the Office of Administrative Hearings. Disputes under the Act commonly include claims of illegal rent increases, requests for approval of special rent increases, repair of housing code violations, retaliation against tenants, and return of security deposits.

The agency's FY 2023 approved budget is presented in the following tables:

FY 2023 Approved Gross Funds Operating Budget and FTEs, by Revenue Type

Table DR0-2 contains the approved FY 2023 budget by revenue type compared to the FY 2022 approved budget. It also provides FY 2020 and FY 2021 actual data.

Table DR0-2

(dollars in thousands)

	Dollars in Thousands						Full-Time Equivalents					
	Actual FY 2020	Actual FY 2021	Approved FY 2022	Approved FY 2023	Change from FY 2022	% Change*	Actual FY 2020	Actual FY 2021	Approved FY 2022	Approved FY 2023	Change from FY 2022	% Change
Appropriated Fund												
GENERAL FUND												
Local Funds	1,258	1,228	1,360	1,357	-3	-0.2	7.4	8.0	9.0	9.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL FOR GENERAL FUND	1,258	1,228	1,360	1,357	-3	-0.2	7.4	8.0	9.0	9.0	0.0	0.0
GROSS FUNDS	1,258	1,228	1,360	1,357	-3	-0.2	7.4	8.0	9.0	9.0	0.0	0.0

*Percent change is based on whole dollars.

Note: If applicable, for a breakdown of each Grant (Federal and Private) and Special Purpose Revenue type, please refer to **Schedule 80 Agency Summary by Revenue Source** in the **FY 2023 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website.

FY 2023 Approved Operating Budget, by Comptroller Source Group

Table DR0-3 contains the approved FY 2023 budget at the Comptroller Source Group (object class) level compared to the FY 2022 approved budget. It also provides FY 2020 and FY 2021 actual expenditures.

Table DR0-3

(dollars in thousands)

	Actual FY 2020	Actual FY 2021	Approved FY 2022	Approved FY 2023	Change from FY 2022	Percentage Change*
Comptroller Source Group						
11 - Regular Pay - Continuing Full Time	508	956	542	1,026	484	89.3
12 - Regular Pay - Other	455	51	533	55	-478	-89.6
14 - Fringe Benefits - Current Personnel	192	185	201	202	1	0.6
15 - Overtime Pay	0	0	0	0	0	N/A
SUBTOTAL PERSONAL SERVICES (PS)	1,155	1,191	1,276	1,283	7	0.6
20 - Supplies and Materials	3	3	4	4	0	0.0
31 - Telecommunications	0	0	5	1	-5	-85.2
40 - Other Services and Charges	35	20	64	48	-17	-25.9
41 - Contractual Services - Other	60	0	0	0	0	N/A
70 - Equipment and Equipment Rental	5	14	10	21	11	109.5
SUBTOTAL NONPERSONAL SERVICES (NPS)	103	37	84	74	-10	-12.2
GROSS FUNDS	1,258	1,228	1,360	1,357	-3	-0.2

*Percent change is based on whole dollars.

FY 2023 Approved Operating Budget and FTEs, by Division/Program and Activity

Table DR0-4 contains the approved FY 2023 budget by division/program and activity compared to the FY 2022 approved budget. It also provides FY 2020 and FY 2021 actual data. For a more comprehensive explanation of divisions/programs and activities, please see the Division/Program Description section, which follows the table.

Table DR0-4

(dollars in thousands)

Division/Program and Activity	Dollars in Thousands					Full-Time Equivalents				
	Actual FY 2020	Actual FY 2021	Approved FY 2022	Approved FY 2023	Change from FY 2022	Actual FY 2020	Actual FY 2021	Approved FY 2022	Approved FY 2023	Change from FY 2022
(9100) RENTAL HOUSING COMMISSION										
(9110) Rental Housing Commission	1,258	1,228	1,360	1,357	-3	7.4	8.0	9.0	9.0	0.0
SUBTOTAL (9100) RENTAL HOUSING COMMISSION	1,258	1,228	1,360	1,357	-3	7.4	8.0	9.0	9.0	0.0
TOTAL APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET	1,258	1,228	1,360	1,357	-3	7.4	8.0	9.0	9.0	0.0

(Change is calculated by whole numbers and numbers may not add up due to rounding)

Note: For more detailed information regarding the approved funding for the activities within this agency's programs, please see **Schedule 30-PBB Program Summary by Activity** in the **FY 2023 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website. "No Activity Assigned" indicates budget or actuals that are recorded at the division/program level.

Program Description

The Rental Housing Commission operates through the following program:

Rental Housing Commission – enforces the Rental Housing Act of 1985, as amended. The commission has three statutory functions in order to preserve and increase the supply of quality affordable housing in the District: (1) to issue, amend, and rescind regulations that are promulgated for enforcement of the Act; (2) to certify and publish the annual adjustment of general applicability to rents and/or rent ceilings, which adjustment is based upon annual changes (if any) in the Consumer Price Index for the applicable region in which the District of Columbia is located; and (3) to decide appeals brought to the commission from the Rent Administrator and the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Program Structure Change

The Rental Housing Commission has no program structure changes in the FY 2023 approved budget.

FY 2022 Approved Budget to FY 2023 Approved Budget, by Revenue Type

Table DR0-5 itemizes the changes by revenue type between the FY 2022 approved budget and the FY 2023 approved budget. For a more comprehensive explanation of changes, please see the FY 2023 Approved Budget Changes section, which follows the table.

Table DR0-5

(dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	DIVISION/PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2022 Approved Budget and FTE		1,360	9.0
No Change		0	0.0

Table DR0-5

(dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	DIVISION/PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2023 Recurring Budget		1,360	9.0
Increase: To align resources with operational spending goals	Rental Housing Commission	11	0.0
Increase: To align personal services and Fringe Benefits with projected costs	Rental Housing Commission	7	0.0
Decrease: To realize programmatic cost savings in nonpersonal services	Rental Housing Commission	-21	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2023 Mayor's Proposed Budget		1,357	9.0
No Change		0	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2023 District's Approved Budget		1,357	9.0

GROSS FOR DR0 - RENTAL HOUSING COMMISSION 1,357 9.0

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Note: For more detailed information regarding the approved funding for interagency projects funded within this agency, please see Appendix J, FY 2023 Interagency Budgets, in the Executive Summary budget volume.

FY 2023 Approved Operating Budget Changes

Table DR0-6 contains the approved FY 2023 budget by fund compared to the FY 2022 approved budget.

Table DR0-6

Appropriated Fund	FY 2022 Approved	FY 2023 Approved	% Change from FY 2022
Local Funds	\$1,359,911	\$1,356,912	-0.2
GROSS FUNDS	\$1,359,911	\$1,356,912	-0.2

Recurring Budget

The Rental Housing Commission's budget reflects no change from the FY 2022 approved budget to the FY 2023 recurring budget.

Mayor's Proposed Budget

Increase: RHC's proposed budget includes an increase of \$11,114 for Information Technology (IT) equipment upgrades. Additionally, a net increase of \$7,208 aligns personal services and Fringe Benefits with projected costs, including the reclassification of 3.0 Full Time Equivalent positions from temporary to full time.

Decrease: The proposed budget includes a decrease of \$21,321 in projected costs for professional fees and fixed cost estimates for Telecommunications.

District's Approved Budget

No Change: The Rental House Commission's budget reflects no change from the Mayor's proposed budget to the District's approved budget.