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THE CITY OF KEY WEST

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To: The City Commission for the City of Key West
From: Ron Ramsingh, City Attorney
RE: Repeal of Sec. 18-710 ad 18-711; Residential Tenancy 60 day Noticing Ordinance
Date: June 8, 2023

Background:

During your May 16, 2023 City Commission meeting, I mentioned that House Bill 1417 was approved this past legislative session that preempts any local government from enacting any legislation that regulates the relationship between a landlord and tenant. The new state law goes into effect on July 1, 2023. City of Key West Secs. 18-710 and 18-711, was enacted in August 2022 to require a minimum of 60 days' notice from a landlord who desires to terminate a month-to-month tenancy or who desires to increase rent by 5% or more.

There are no direct financial consequences to the city by rescinding these ordinances.

Options:

1. To approve the proposed rescission of Secs. 18-710 and 18-711 to be in compliance with F.S. 83.425 as amended by HB 1417 (2023).
2. Decline to rescind Secs. 18-710 and 18-711 and be in violation of F.S. 83.425.

Recommendation:

I recommend that you approve the attached rescission to be in compliance with F.S. 83.425.