

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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# Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

#### **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> ARI

#### <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the landlord's Application for Dispute Resolution seeking an additional rent increase.

The hearing was originally convened on November 20, 2014 and conducted via teleconference. The original date was adjourned so that the parties could work out their own agreement on a rent increase.

The hearing was reconvened on January 23, 2015 by teleconference. The landlord and male tenant attended both hearings.

At the outset of the reconvened hearing of January 23, 2015 the parties agreed that they are still working on setting up a rent increase agreement that is contingent upon the landlord completing some repairs to the rental unit.

As the parties are still negotiating a mutual agreement to increase the rent at the time of the second hearing the landlord withdrew his Application for Additional Rent Increase.

I note that should the parties not be able to reach a mutual agreement to increase the rent, the landlord remains at liberty to file a new Application for Additional Rent Increase in the future.

#### Issue(s) to be Decided

The issues to be decided are whether the landlord is entitled to impose a rent increase in an amount that is over the annual allowable amount, pursuant to Section 43 of the Residential Tenancy Act (Act).

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### Conclusion

Based on the above, I accept the landlord's withdrawal of his Application for Additional Rent Increase.

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under Section 9.1(1) of the *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Dated: January 23, 2015

Residential Tenancy Branch