Dispute Resolution Services

Residential Tenancy Branch Office of Housing and Construction Standards

DECISION

Dispute Codes RP, RR, OLC, FFT

Introduction

Pursuant to section 58 of the Residential Tenancy Act (the Act), I was designated to hear an application regarding the above-noted tenancy. The tenants applied for:

- an order requiring the landlord to carry out repairs, pursuant to section 32;
- an order to reduce the rent for repairs, services or facilities agreed upon but not provided, pursuant to section 65;
- an order for the landlord to comply with the Act, the Residential Tenancy Regulation and/or tenancy agreement, pursuant to section 62; and
- an authorization to recover the filing fee for this application, under section 72.

Tenant TL (the tenant) and Landlord GY attended the hearing. The tenant represented tenant BL. The landlord was assisted by lawyers FQ and MM. All were given a full opportunity to be heard, to present affirmed testimony, to make submissions, and to call witnesses.

At the outset of the hearing the attending parties affirmed they understand the parties are not allowed to record this hearing.

Per section 95(3) of the Act, the parties may be fined up to \$5,000.00 if they record this hearing: "A person who contravenes or fails to comply with a decision or an order made by the director commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of not more than \$5,000.00."

<u>Settlement</u>

Pursuant to section 63 of the Act, an arbitrator may assist the parties to settle their dispute and if the parties settle their dispute during the dispute resolution proceedings, the settlement may be recorded in the form of a decision or an order. During the hearing the parties discussed the issues between them, engaged in a conversation, turned their minds to compromise and achieved a resolution of their dispute.

Both parties agreed to the following final and binding settlement of all issues listed in this application for dispute resolution:

- 1. The landlord will install a new dishwasher by September 15, 2022. If unprecedented delays in the delivery of the dishwasher happens, the landlord must provide documentary proof to the tenants.
- 2. The landlord will hire and pay a contractor to inspect and repair the rental unit's fireplace, garage door and kitchen by September 07, 2022.
- 3. The tenants should always contact landlord GY via email for any tenancy matters (the email address is recorded on the cover page of this decision).
- 4. The tenants are authorized to subtract \$350.00 from the rent due on September 01, 2022.
- 5. The tenants are responsible for paying the sewer bill.

Conclusion

As the parties have reached a settlement, I make no factual findings about the merits of this application.

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: August 24, 2022

Residential Tenancy Branch