

Dispute Resolution Services

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Residential Tenancy Branch Ministry of Housing

DECISION

<u>Dispute Codes</u> CNR

Introduction

Under section 58 of the Residential Tenancy Act (the "Act"), this hearing dealt with the tenant's May 4, 2023, application to the Residential Tenancy Branch for an order cancelling a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent (the "Notice") pursuant to section 46(4)(b) of the Act.

Preliminary Issue – Amendment to the landlord's name

The landlord corrected the landlord's name. Pursuant to section 64(3)(a) of the Act, I amend the application to correct the name of the landlord.

Issues

- 1. Is the tenant entitled to an order cancelling the Notice?
- 2. If not, is the landlord entitled to an order of possession?

Background and Evidence

In reaching this decision, I have considered all relevant evidence that complied with the *Rules of Procedure*. Only the necessary oral and documentary evidence that helped resolve the issues of the dispute and explain the decision is included below.

The tenancy began February 1, 2023. Rent is \$3,600.00 due on the first day of the month. The landlord currently retains a \$1,800.00 security deposit. There is a copy of the written tenancy agreement in evidence.

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The landlord served the Notice on May 2, 2023, by attaching a copy to the door of the rental unit. Page two of the Notice indicates that the tenant did not pay rent in the amount of \$3,600.00 that was due on May 1, 2023. All pages of the Notice were served and submitted into evidence.

The landlord affirmed that:

- the tenant is currently \$4,700.00 in rental arrears, representing unpaid rent from May 2023 to the present.
- the tenant also owes \$300.00 for parking spot rental and locker rental for May 2023 to the present.
- the total amount the landlord is claiming is \$5,000.00.

The tenant affirmed that the tenant owes the landlord \$5,000.00 for unpaid rent, parking spot rental and locker rental.

<u>Analysis</u>

Section 26 of the Act requires tenants to pay rent the day it is due unless they have a legal right to withhold rent. Section 46(1) of the Act allows landlords to end a tenancy with a 10 Day Notice to End Tenancy for Unpaid Rent on any day rent remains unpaid after the day rent is due.

Both parties agreed that the tenant owes the landlord \$5,000.00 for unpaid rent, parking spot rental and locker rental. Therefore, I find on a balance of probabilities that the Notice was given for a valid reason. I also find that the Notice complies with the form and content requirements of section 52. As a result, the tenant's application to cancel the Notice is dismissed.

Based on the above findings, the landlord is granted an order of possession under section 55(1) of the Act. A copy of the order of possession is attached to this Decision and must be served on the tenant.

Since the application relates to a section 46 notice to end tenancy, the landlord is entitled to an order for unpaid rent under section 55(1.1) of the Act. Therefore, the tenant is ordered to pay \$5,000.00 in unpaid rent to the landlord.

Pursuant to sections 38 and 72 of the Act, the landlord is ordered to retain the \$1,800.00 security deposit as partial satisfaction of the payment order. A monetary

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order for the remaining amount of \$3,200.00 is attached to this Decision and must be served on the tenant.

Conclusion

The application is dismissed without leave to reapply. The landlord is granted an order of possession and a monetary order in the amount of \$3,200.00.

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: June 22, 2023

Residential Tenancy Branch