

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to amending the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 49.99.2.C to require landlords and building managers to allow any companion animal already residing in a rental dwelling unit, to continue residing there.

Recommendations for Council action:

REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an ordinance amending the LAMC to require landlords and building managers to allow any companion animal residing in a rental dwelling unit pursuant to LAMC Section 49.99.2.C to continue residing there for the duration of the animal's natural life, or until the tenant either voluntarily relocates the animal or voluntarily vacate the premises; and, requiring tenants to inform their housing provider or management about any pets that were obtained during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Fiscal Impact Statement: The DAS reports that the number of animals living in apartments as a result of LAMC 49.99.2.C is unknown. Therefore, the direct fiscal impact to the City of allowing companion animals to remain in apartments cannot be determined. However, if amending the regulation as proposed would diminish the number of animals relinquished to City animal shelters, it could reduce future Department shelter expenses.

Community Impact Statement: Yes

For:  
Tarzana Neighborhood Council

### SUMMARY

At the meeting held on December 6, 2023, your Housing and Homelessness Committee considered a DAS report relative to amending the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 49.99.2.C to require landlords and building managers to allow any companion animal already residing in a rental dwelling unit, to continue residing there.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations as amended, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
RAMAN	YES
BLUMENFIELD	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON	YES
RODRIGUEZ	YES
LEE	YES

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