

Communication from Public

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Council File No: 23-0529

Comments for Public Posting: urge you to vote NO on Council File 23-0529 from CM Traci Park, who is carrying out an anti-poor, anti-tenant, pro-landlord and pro-police agenda. This motion is for a ban on renting RVs to people in need. It's bad policy and must be stopped in its tracks. Traci Park is a racist segregationist who is only interested in legislating poverty out of the sight of the people she deems as her "legitimate" constituents. This motion will not get people dwelling in RVs into stable housing, it will do nothing to provide a better alternative to RV dwelling. Many RVs in our district may be unsafe for the people living in them, but we all know Councilmember Park has no intention of finding adequate shelter for these people. Instead, she wants to demote them down to living in tents, then find an excuse to sweep tents out of the district, or at least out of sight of the wealthiest parts of this district. This is bad policy sugar coated in the saccharine veneer of compassion, do not fall for it. Traci adamantly refuses to do her part in pushing for more public housing in our district, she's allowing the tenants of Barrington Plaza to be evicted en masse, she does not care about seriously tackling the housing crisis in this city, only about pleasing her reactionary base that carried her into office. Kicking people out of whatever shelter they might have, even if it's inadequate, increases the likelihood of their deaths if no alternative living situation is provided. These decisions should not be taken lightly, they come in the cost of human lives, please consider that as you vote on this motion.

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Name: Gina Viola

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Comments for Public Posting: Los Angeles City Councilmembers: I urge you to vote NO on Council File 23-0529 from CM Traci Park, who is carrying out an anti-poor, anti-tenant, pro-landlord and pro-police agenda. This motion is for a ban on renting RVs to people in need. It's bad policy and must be stopped in its tracks. Traci Park wants you to believe she's concerned about the well-being of unhoused folks who rent RVs because they can't afford an apartment or an RV of their own. In this motion, she decries so-called "van-lords" who "capitalize on the vulnerability" of the unhoused by renting RVs to poor people (i.e. they help folks the city has completely abandoned). This is disingenuous at best. If Park cared about people living in rented RVs that are "in grave disrepair, with unsanitary and somewhat dangerous conditions," she'd propose legislation ensuring that rented RVs meet habitability standards and demand city funding to make it happen. Instead, she's making it illegal to rent RVs for people to live in. This is a classic example of throwing the baby out with the bathwater. By making it illegal to rent RVs, you're hurting the most vulnerable people directly, throwing them from an RV into the more dangerous and unsanitary street. Imagine if we dealt with slumlords in this way: Sorry, some apartments in LA are in grave disrepair, so no one is allowed to rent apartments. Everyone out! Park's motion will not get people dwelling in RVs into stable housing and will do nothing to provide a better alternative to RV dwelling. It's true that some RVs are in poor condition, but Park is not providing a better alternative for those living in vehicles, nor does she have plans for funding the necessary repairs. Instead, she wants to demote them to living in tents, then find an excuse to sweep tents out of the district, or at least out of sight of the affluent homeowners she deems as her "legitimate" constituents. This is bad policy sugar coated in the saccharine veneer of compassion. Do not fall for it. Traci adamantly refuses to do her part in pushing for more public housing in our district, she's allowing the tenants of Barrington Plaza to be evicted en masse, and she doesn't care about seriously tackling the housing crisis in this city. She is committed only to pleasing her reactionary base that carried her into office. Kicking people out of whatever shelter they might have, even if it's inadequate, increases the likelihood of their death if no alternative living situation is provided. These decisions

should not be taken lightly - they come at the cost of human lives.
Please vote NO on Council File 23-0529. Sincerely, Gina Viola