

Communication from Public

Name: Christina Boyar

Date Submitted: 01/22/2025 01:58 PM

Council File No: 25-0006-S16

Comments for Public Posting: I urge Council to vote yes on this motion for a temporary rent freeze, eviction moratorium, and pausing on rent increases under LARSO for additional occupants (which should be eliminated altogether). These fires have devastated our communities-- people have lost loved ones, homes, entire neighborhoods and treasured public places, and sources of income. Tenants in Los Angeles were already incredibly rent burdened, facing rent increases they cannot afford, and being evicted and displaced before the fires-- the current state of affairs is making an already dire situation worse. Tenants urgently need these protections, and without them, there is no doubt more people will be displaced, losing the place they call home. In addition to these emergency measures, I am urging Council to immediately update LARSO with

- 1) An annual increase formula based on 60% of CPI with a limit of 3%, and no floor, 2) Removal of the utility bump, 3) Elimination of the additional occupant increases, 4) No rent banking, and 5) That the formula applies equally to all owners, regardless of their size. Tenants desperately need short-term and long-term solutions for the current housing crisis. Please support this motion and updates to LARSO that will make it fair and effective to keep Angelenos housed. Thank you.

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Name: Fred

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Comments for Public Posting: Why isn't the city council putting controls on food, gas, utilities, garbage pickup, etc, instead of just housing. Why doesn't the city council pay for back rent to reduce the evictions instead of putting it on the landlords. The fires were terrible but the rent gouging is 94 percent houses, not apartments. There already is rent control and an anti gouging law.

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Comments for Public Posting: Another very bad potential decision by the city council. This will result in less apartments available for fire victims. What does eviction have to do with the fire? This will result in people just not paying the rent because they don't have to. Landlords were not allowed to raise rent during Covid while expenses continue to climb and now they're doing it again and expenses are rising even more rapidly Why are landlords being punished for the poor choices and policies made by the city council

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Name: Josh L

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Comments for Public Posting: Housing providers have had to endure four years of no rent increases due to the pandemic. Shouldering significant increases in Insurance premiums, utility and repair costs, the impact of this latest motion (submitted by two of the four members of the (DSA) Democratic Socialists is frustratingly predictable and in nothing more than a knee jerk reaction pandering to tenant advocacy groups advancing the dangerous "all socialized housing agenda". Shame on the few "moderate common sense" members of the LA City Council for giving into the ignorant ideology of Hugo, Unis and Nithya (I am surprised and disappointed Adrian seconded this motion and will not be supporting him in the future). This motion is overreaching and does nothing to help those that lost their homes in the Palisades due in part to the ineptitude of this Council. Asking landlords to pay for your mistakes in cutting the firefighters budgets and the reckless non-repair of the water sources to fight the fires is the ultimate in deflecting of blame. This proposed motion will only make things worse and will lead to units being removed from the rental market. The price gouging you claim to be trying to prevent was not occurring in the units subject to RSO. These landlords have been struggling to recover from the pandemic themselves. You are going to force all these owners to sell out to Institutional investors & corporations (Hugo - not referring to properties held in LLC's as it is clear you don't know the difference between between and LLC and a Corp.) My heart goes out to those affected and I agree that those that have actually been impacted should receive some assistance. How many tenants that actually live in Van Nuys or Koreatown rent stabilized units are actually impacted by the Palisades fire? Shame on you all for using this horrible tragic situation to advance a completely unrelated agenda.