

Communication from Public

Name: Domingo G Murchison

Date Submitted: 01/30/2025 12:32 PM

Council File No: 25-0006-S16

Comments for Public Posting: This is in regards to article 15 public comment. I Am writing this to ask and beg all of you that have not tried to help push this to be ashamed of yourself we are going through a horrible horrible time and all of us have been affected in one way shape or another. I have breathing and medical problems as a result of these fires I have been to the hospital twice and I cannot work I cannot do nothing and I am depressed and I am so sick and tired of stressing and not knowing what I'm going to do and how I'm going to pay my rent and put food on the table. All not passing this would be doing is making it worse on everyone that's already going through a crisis having had to go through the COVID crisis and now this it's just not fair Yes people were affected by the fires directly in their house is burnt down but what about their employees and what about the people that were working for them or working there for the companies and places around the areas? Do you think they have checked on us? Do you think they're asking us how we're doing how we're going to pay our rent or how we're going to get by? NO SO WITH THAT BEING SAID PLEASE VOTE YES ON ARTICLE 15

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Date Submitted: 01/30/2025 12:36 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I'm [writing/speaking] in support of Council File: 25-0006-S16, asking you to vote yes on item 15 on to: - Provide eviction protections for all affected renter households for one year. - Pause rent increases for all rental residential units for one year. A targeted eviction moratorium should not be controversial, no matter what lobbyists from AAGLA and CAA tell you. Notably, this part of the motion does not affect landlords' abilities to use the legal eviction process. It merely gives tenants a defense to use if their landlords attempt to illegally evict them in a legal system that offers tenants very little recourse. A rent pause should not be necessary, but it is necessary because of the fact that the City Council has yet to update, enact, and implement the LARSO rent increase formula, which the Council could have done at any point since Fall 2024. Tenants should not have to pay hundreds to thousands of dollars more in rent due to the Council's inaction on this important issue, especially at this moment when tenants across the city have been affected by fire-related economic hardship and rampant price gouging on the rental market by the same landlords demanding that you not to support tenants. These are common sense protections that will comprehensively protect all Angelenos in the aftermath of this citywide crisis as thousands of displaced Angelenos enter an unstable housing market, face price-gouging, no fault-evictions, and economic and medical hardship due to the fires. I respectfully urge all Councilmembers to vote YES on the motion as is without ANY amendments. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Ariana Rios

Date Submitted: 01/28/2025 05:51 PM

Council File No: 25-0006-S16

Comments for Public Posting: Hello my name is Ariana. I live in the Eastside of Los Angeles. The fires have devastated people in the City of Los Angeles. It has disrupted housing markets across the city. And renters from across the city and across the income spectrum will be affected. I'm [writing/speaking] in support of Council File: 25-0006-S16, asking you to vote yes on item 15 on the City Council agenda this Wednesday in order to: - Provide eviction protections for all affected renter households for one year. - Pause rent increases for all rental residential units for one year. A targeted eviction moratorium should not be controversial, no matter what lobbyists from AAGLA and CAA tell you. Notably, this part of the motion does not affect landlords' abilities to use the legal eviction process. It merely gives tenants a defense to use if their landlords attempt to illegally evict them in a legal system that offers tenants very little recourse. A rent pause should not be necessary, but it is necessary because of the fact that the City Council has yet to update, enact, and implement the LARSO rent increase formula, which the Council could have done at any point since Fall 2024. Tenants should not have to pay hundreds to thousands of dollars more in rent due to the Council's inaction on this important issue, especially at this moment when tenants across the city have been affected by fire-related economic hardship and rampant price gouging on the rental market by the same landlords demanding that you not to support tenants. These are common sense protections that will comprehensively protect all Angelenos in the aftermath of this citywide crisis as thousands of displaced Angelenos enter an unstable housing market, face price-gouging, no fault-evictions, and economic and medical hardship due to the fires. I respectfully urge all Councilmembers to vote YES on the motion as is without ANY amendments. Thank you.

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Name: Elaine Kim

Date Submitted: 01/28/2025 07:40 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am adamantly OPPOSED to ITEM 15. This is a rush decision that most of the people it impacts (housing providers) don't even know it's occurring! We are barely recovering from the COVID moratorium. This is flawed and irresponsible. It will continue to make the housing crisis worse. You should concentrate more on enforcing the anti-price gouging laws you already have! If tenants are non-paying, housing providers should get the chance to get a better tenant! This also assumes there will be a mad dash for any and all rentals, and that is simply not the case. VOTE NO

Communication from Public

Name: Nathan Rosen

Date Submitted: 01/29/2025 10:21 AM

Council File No: 25-0006-S16

Comments for Public Posting: The proposed citywide rent freeze and eviction moratorium in response to the recent wildfires is an overreach that undermines property rights, creates long-term economic instability, and sets a harmful precedent for housing policy in Los Angeles. While protecting those directly affected by the fires is a valid concern, this broad measure exploits a natural disaster for political gain and extends far beyond reasonable aid. The City Council has already enacted an eviction moratorium to protect individuals displaced by the fires, and additional provisions allowing tenants to self-certify a “fire-related hardship” open the door for abuse and non-payment of rent by those who were not actually impacted. A sweeping rent freeze and eviction ban unfairly shifts the financial burden onto landlords, many of whom are small property owners struggling with rising costs, while providing no relief for them as they are forced to subsidize housing indefinitely without compensation. These measures mirror damaging COVID-era policies that devastated the rental market, leading to unpaid rent, foreclosures, and a decline in available housing. A more responsible approach would be to use Measure ULA funds for direct rental assistance, ensuring those truly in need receive support without harming the broader housing market. This proposal is unnecessary, inequitable, and economically reckless—Los Angeles must reject it in favor of targeted solutions that balance tenant protections with property owner rights. Contact your councilmember today and demand fair and sustainable housing policies.

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Name: monique Mcmanus Pancake

Date Submitted: 01/28/2025 11:31 AM

Council File No: 25-0006-S16

Comments for Public Posting: Please vote no on proposed Item 15 rent freeze and eviction moratorium. You are taking away our rights as mom and pop owners. Mom and pop owners and most companies do not take advantage of renters. As a landlord, i take pride in my units, and take care of my tenants. All of my rentals are below market rents. I love California, but hate our politics when it comes to government involvement. I and my husband have worked hard to purchase what we own. Dont take away my rights.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 01/28/2025 01:02 PM

Council File No: 25-0006-S16

Comments for Public Posting: I vote no,

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Name:

Date Submitted: 01/28/2025 01:03 PM

Council File No: 25-0006-S16

Comments for Public Posting: VOTE NO on Item 15, the citywide proposed Rent Freeze and Eviction Moratorium for all residential rental units through January 31, 2026. This puts an burden on property owners. Why should property owner suffer for your incompetence to not do forestry management, fire prevention, cute fire prevention budgets, and not provide water. You should all resign.

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Name: Mercedes Van Pelt
Date Submitted: 01/28/2025 04:03 PM
Council File No: 25-0006-S16
Comments for Public Posting: Please VOTE NO on Item 15 - Rent Freeze and Eviction Moratorium. You have already made it SO HARD on Landlords since Covid - it has to stop!!!

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Name: Melanie Nutting
Date Submitted: 01/28/2025 05:39 PM
Council File No: 25-0006-S16

Comments for Public Posting: Dear City Council, I urge you to reconsider Motion 25-0006-S16, as it will disproportionately harm mom-and-pop landlords and the very marginalized communities it aims to protect. Many small landlords rely on rental income for their own survival—paying mortgages, covering maintenance costs, and supporting their families. Burdensome restrictions and policies that discourage property management will force these landlords out of the market, leading to fewer affordable rental options and accelerating corporate ownership of housing. Furthermore, limiting a landlord's ability to manage their property fairly can lead to neglected maintenance, lower housing quality, and ultimately fewer rental units available—harming tenants, especially in marginalized communities. Instead of restrictive measures that push small landlords out, the city should focus on incentives for affordable housing, rental assistance programs, and balanced tenant protections that do not penalize responsible property owners. Please do not pass Motion 25-0006-S16 in its current form. We need policies that support both tenants and the small landlords who provide them with housing. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Communication from Public

Name: Michael DiGiovanni

Date Submitted: 01/29/2025 11:02 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please consider revising item 15 to remove the blanket rent pause, as it unfairly impacts small landlords like us—a mother, father, and son team—who own a three-unit RSO building in Marina del Rey. A rent pause for tenants unaffected by the wildfires is overreaching. We've been paying thousands of dollars out of pocket each month to keep the building afloat without seeing any profit. We urge a more targeted approach to balance tenant support and relief for small landlords. Thank you.

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Name: Michael Youn

Date Submitted: 01/29/2025 01:01 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a property owner, I am very much against the proposed action of putting another rent freeze. It will lessen the supply of available rentals, and discourage landlords from offering their units for rent.

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Name:

Date Submitted: 01/29/2025 01:19 PM

Council File No: 25-0006-S16

Comments for Public Posting: While I am sympathetic to those that lost their homes in the fires, I do not feel it is fair to approve a one year moratorium on rent increases and evictions in Los Angeles. Mom and Pop landlords cannot afford to not increase rents a little when leases are expired as we count on this for income for retirement. We just got over the restrictions for Covid which left many of us under water. I vote NO. It is way too harsh.

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Name: Michael

Date Submitted: 01/29/2025 01:35 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Post-fires, and with Los Angeles already in a housing crisis, we are now in a HOUSING EMERGENCY, with the rental market in chaos including widespread price gouging. Please enact motion 25-0006-S16. Thank you.

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Name: Angela Conterno

Date Submitted: 01/29/2025 02:02 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please VOTE NO on Item 15 - Rent Freeze and Eviction Moratorium - a citywide proposal for ALL residential rental units through January 31, 2026. The council has already passed an eviction moratorium to protect those displaced due to the fires. This new proposed overreach exploits the tragic wildfires for political purposes and egregiously aims to allow a tenant to “self-certify” they had a fire-related hardship so they can avoid paying rent. That’s in addition to a blanket, citywide rent increase freeze. The city actively has a direct rental assistance fund for those impacted and in need through voter approved funding in Measure ULA. Our housing providers have endured incredible hardships with high inflation rates, skyrocketing insurance premiums, along with increases in city fees and utilities. Our city cannot afford an additional rental freeze and eviction moratorium.

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Name: Jorge Lara

Date Submitted: 01/29/2025 02:40 PM

Council File No: 25-0006-S16

Comments for Public Posting: Let's STOP making people lazy.. We all have bills to pay, mortgages ETC. How unfair it is to help people became lazy irresponsible and worthless. I understand the wild fires victims. BUT NOT a tenant who simply does NOT want to pay rent or has violated a lease or rental agreement. If that's the case let me NOT pay property taxes and RSO fees and all the other junk fees the City has stablished upon landlords...