

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I wholeheartedly support this motion and cannot stress enough the importance of protecting this valuable housing resource in the city. I helped to draft a report that was issued in January 2018 calling attention to the erosion of board and care beds in the city and county. Gratefully, the county began to keep inventory, and this continued slide has now been documented. People with serious mental illness, who come directly from any institutional setting (e.g., post-conservatorship or after treatment in a locked setting) will be transferred to board and cares -- they are no longer eligible for permanent supportive housing because they are no longer "homeless." Additionally, some people need to have the round-the clock services of a board and care (e.g., three meals a day, laundry, distribution of meds, etc.) but it is impossible for a board and care operator, who is only receiving \$35/day, to provide these services and maintain their properties, pay their staff, etc. Thank you for recognizing the importance of protecting (and investing in) this precious housing resource.

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Name: Martha Gonzalez
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Comments for Public Posting: Mi nombre es Martha Gonzalez, Yo trabajo para Clinica Romero, es importante ayudar a esta poblacion. Vemos cuanta gente indigente hay en la calle sufriendo por no tener vivienda. Yo apoyo esta propuesta.