

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Everyone is struggling to make ends meet because of the pandemic. Not only are tenants suffering but so are landlords. How are we expected to pay a recycle rate increase when we have tenants who can't even pay rent? If tenants aren't able to pay rent, how can I pay my mortgage let alone a recycle rate increase? My struggles are just as real as a tenants. Please show me the same consideration as you show them. Thank you.

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Comments for Public Posting: It is crazy for the City of Los Angeles to give trash providers a 6.15% increase when we are in an economic emergency caused by the pandemic. Inflation is below 2% and the City has frozen all rents. Before RecycLA, I used a local trash company to handle the trash at my family's modest five unit apartment building in Los Angeles. They charged me \$80 per month for TWICE a week pickup. Under RecycLA, in 2020 I paid \$228 per month for ONCE a week pickup. I am unhappy with the service, but there is absolutely nothing I can do about it. The City has granted the trash haulers a monopoly, and they are gouging us. The City prohibits me from passing on any increase in costs to my tenants. The City allows my tenants to bring in additional occupants, which has caused my water bill to go through the roof (but that is another issue). This is the wrong time to allow the trash haulers a 6.15% increase. Maybe I should just give up and sell to the developers, who will tear down the building and put up luxury condos. Where will my tenants go?