

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 11/10/2021 08:43 AM

**Council File No:** 20-0291

**Comments for Public Posting:** November 10, 2021 Honorable Council President Martinez & Members of the City Council City of Los Angeles 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, California 90012 SUBJECT: Item 6: City of Los Angeles Local Eviction Moratorium & Rent Freeze Dear Council President Martinez & Members of the City Council, On behalf of the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce (Chamber), one of the largest and most influential business organizations in the Los Angeles region, I am writing to urge the City to lift the local residential eviction moratorium and rent freeze for those that do not demonstrate hardship related to COVID-19. The City and State officially celebrated the “reopening of California” on June 15th noting the progress made in order for businesses to resume in full capacity. The emergency housing moratorium that has been in place since the beginning of the pandemic should contain significant updates to reflect this new and promising development. The state and federal government have created significant stimulus packages to help those in need. The access to vaccinations has continued to progress along with employment returning. Additionally, the state of California implemented strong emergency provisions to help alleviate tenant rental debt and ensuring no one is evicted if minimum guidelines are met. Therefore, the extension of the city moratorium in its current form should no longer continue. The state has been officially reopen for several months and rental housing operators should be allowed to resume normal operations in situations that are not currently nor were ever affected by the pandemic. The City should make modifications to maintain protections for those most in need while also lifting some of the most restrictive emergency measures on rental housing operations. I hope the City Council will consider the recommendations towards the emergency housing moratorium. Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,



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President & CEO

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**Name:**

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please be informed that I highly oppose continuation of the eviction moratorium and rent increase freeze for the following reasons: The State has reopened, and individuals are working, will return to work or will have new employment opportunities. The State Legislature has enacted laws providing renters with significant eviction protections and a COVID-19 Rent Relief Program to assist renters and rental housing providers. Renters that have been impacted by the pandemic and have been unable to pay rent will still have over a year to repay deferred rent owed. NOW is the time for the Rental Housing Industry, like all other businesses, to be allowed to resume normal business operations. Truly unfair treatment of landlords!!!

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please DO NOT extend the Eviction Moratorium or Rent Freeze. The city's property owners have been thrown under the bus by the City Council and Covid is mostly over. We have people paying low low rents in our units and need to get back to normal rent increases just to keep up with the increase in HCEP fees you granted this year. Thank you

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Mathew Millen

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am opposed to a blanket rent freeze.i own a triplex in San Pedro and have not raised the rent in THREE YEARS. Yet my expenses keep increasing. Not one of my tenants gave me a COVID notice of decreased income. Or negative impact. So the council should allow 3% increases to all tenants who have NOT served a COVID notice of negative impacts

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**Name:** Jeannie Liu

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please lift the rent freeze. Please stop discriminating against property owners. It's discrimination when you allow everything else to increase in cost except rent. Our cost for building maintenance, materials and labor, have gone up almost 20%, trash pick up 50%...etc. and yet property owners have to freeze the rent. Please do the right thing.