

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the Tenant Anti-Harassment Ordinance and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Raman – Martinez):

1. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer (CAO), the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), and the City Attorney, to report after the Tenant Anti-Harassment Ordinance has been in effect for one year with data and metrics the Council may utilize to assess the effectiveness of the Ordinance. The report should include, among any other relevant factors:
 - a. The number of cases filed by private attorneys that include the Ordinance as a cause of action.
 - b. The number of cases filed by the City Attorney that include the Ordinance as a cause of action.
 - c. The number of criminal cases filed by the City Attorney, related to the Ordinance.
 - d. The number of cases brought under the Ordinance in which judges have awarded attorneys' fees to prevailing tenants.
 - e. The number of complaints made to LAHD regarding landlord harassment (via phone calls, online forms, or any other intake mechanism).
 - f. The demographics (including race, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, income level, disability status, family status, and membership in other relevant protected classes) of tenants who lodge complaints with LAHD regarding landlord harassment and tenants who file cases under the Ordinance.
2. INSTRUCT the CLA with the assistance of LAHD, to report concurrently to Council with a comparative analysis of other California cities' protocols and programs for enforcing tenant anti-harassment ordinances. This analysis should include a review of enforcement programs in San Francisco and Santa Monica, among any other relevant comparator cities.
3. INSTRUCT LAHD and the City Attorney, with the assistance of the CAO, building upon the December 2018 LAHD report, to report back concurrently on a recommended tenant anti-harassment program for the City, including the resources necessary to create permanent City staff positions to monitor and enforce the Tenant Anti-Harassment Ordinance.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the CLA Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On February 9, 2022, your Committee considered Motion (Raman – Martinez) relative to the Tenant Anti-Harassment Ordinance's effectiveness, with data and metrics that the City Council may utilize. The Motion attached to the Council file includes some background on the matter.

After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations reflected above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
CEDILLO:	YES
RAMAN:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	ABSENT
KREKORIAN:	YES
LEE:	YES

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "George Cedillo", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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