

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jeffrey D. Newman

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 02:16 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** I strongly urge the City Council NOT to start any reporting process to phase out renter protections, ESPECIALLY on a fast-track basis. Tenants are still struggling to make ends meet. For many tenants in Los Angeles, the Covid protection statute is the only thing preventing them from falling into homelessness. We are already in the middle of a homelessness crisis, with 60,000 unhoused people on the street already. Now is NOT the time to strip away tenant protections and cause even more Angelenos to become unhoused. The tenant protections are ALREADY time limited. They are tied to the City-level state-of-emergency. This is more than sufficient protection for landlords to fall back on; while ensuring that tenant rights are protected DURING THE EMERGENCY. Finally, IF the City Council chooses to take any actions regarding the tenant protection acts, they MUST INCLUDE TENANT VOICES and tenant-advocate voices in the discussion. I urge the City Council NOT to pass #21 as currently written, and to instead extend time for further public discussion.  
-Signed, Jeffrey Newman City of Los Angeles

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 06:29 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** COVID cases are rising, wages are low, and the median price of a rental in LA is \$3,400. Temants haven't been consulted about this possible phaseout that could result in thousands of evictions. Children and entire families will be left with nowhere to go besides the streets of LA. Tenants have been relying on these protections to stay housed. We don't need a phaseout of protections, we need PERMANENT PROTECTIONS!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Anahy

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 04:25 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** As a young adult in Los Angeles, displaced from Echo park, raised in South Central. I have first hand seen the housing inequality facing Latino, Black, and Asian residents. We have been in a crisis under COVID, and COVID is not done and over with. We have cases arising once again. Our community needs protection and that is why WE elected YOU. To represent your community. Without impediment of private interest. We ARE in a housing CRISIS. Renters should not be a pawn in the monopoly of housing in Los Angeles. We need permanent protection to Angeleno residents. The the sake of multigenerational communities to preserve the community and safe housing.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Audrienne Shifflette

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 04:30 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** It is unconscionable and morally abhorrent to even be considering repealing some of the only protections keeping tenants housed as the pandemic continues to devastate our most vulnerable communities while rent continues to sky rocket. Repealing these protections will only serve to harm the Angelenos who keep this city running and barely making ends meet while lining the pockets of grossly predatory developers.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 02:28 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** We don't need a phase, we need permanent protections for rental tenants. Do not phase out covid-19 protections - rent is at an all-time high, while inflation and covid-19 is still affecting tenants every day. It would be the opposite of helpful and protective to tenants. Thank you.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Lindsay Mulcahy

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 01:11 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** As a renter in Los Angeles, I urge you to amend the proposed report on the Covid-19 renter protections to keep tenants housed. I am concerned that the 30 day time frame is not sufficient for the housing department to assess the risk of eviction faced by tenants across the City, and the lack of public comment in this process thus far.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 12:25 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** COVID-19 is here to stay, and this proposal to end the eviction protections is nothing short of premature and deadly. We cannot allow a mountain of evictions during the largest public health crisis in 100 years, and we cannot directly exacerbate the homelessness crisis in this city as a result. The housing department, the city council, and all other entities involved in this decision-making are allowing a few rich and powerful landlords, who use their money and status to bully and harass tenants out of their homes and onto the streets, to unfairly influence the lives of thousands and thousand of tenants in this city. We need permanent protections, we need more affordable housing, we need strengthened rent control. We do not need more evictions, more homelessness, and more unhappiness and misery.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Esperanza Community Housing

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 12:06 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear LA City Councilmembers, As an affordable housing provider that also works alongside the communities of South LA to change the trajectory of displacement and gentrification that has negatively impacted low-income communities of color throughout this city, we strongly urge you to reject any attempt to roll back the eviction protections that were put in place when this pandemic first began. Numbers clearly show that it is these very communities and low-income tenants who have borne the brunt of the economic fallout from this global pandemic -- a pandemic that still continues. It would be wrong to consider rolling back such important tenant protections at such a time, especially given that Covid cases are again on the rise, wages are remain low, and most tenants still face a high rent burden in a city where the median rental rate is \$3,400/month. It is unconscionable to even consider phasing out such protections when, clearly, eviction rates are still on the rise, as is the number of people becoming unhoused. We need real solutions to make these protections permanent, developed by and for those most impacted, rather than bowing to the will of corporate landlords who see housing as a commodity for profit rather than as an issue of basic health and human rights. Any process to consider next steps must center low-income tenants AND must prioritize their engagement and input to shape a report-back. That said, the proposed 30-day report back, itself, is inadequate time to consider something that has the potential to negatively impact so many Angelenos' lives -- therefore, we ask you to extend that report-back time. We also urge you to prioritize how to extend and make these protections permanent rather than phasing them out. LA's residents rely on you to uphold certain basic rights -- healthy, affordable housing is one of them. Please stand with us and do the right thing: reject any phaseout, extend the report back period and prioritize the engagement and needs of tenants, and direct the housing department to come back with strategies to make these protections permanent. Thank you.



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Angel Diaz

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 11:28 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Hola mi nombre es Angel Diaz y soy miembro de Eastside LEADS, vivo en el distrito 14, tengo en mi domicilio actual 16 años, y nesecitamos que extiendan las protecciones a los inquilinos, y también que implementen la ley anti acoso, que sea retroactiva, que los propietarios paguen los honorarios y sueldos de los abogados, en caso de demanda por hostigamiento al dueño.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 09:46 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** I OPPOSE any reduction or phase-out in tenant protections. I work at Stay Housed LA and talk every single day with tenants who are facing eviction and have nowhere to go. I also work on the streets regularly with my unhoused neighbors, and truly cannot fathom what hell this city will fall to if we allow thousands, tens of thousands of families to be evicted while we are in a pandemic. We need PERMANENT tenant protections that will keep LA housed. I myself am also facing eviction despite my corporate landlord having collected more than \$6K in government funding through my ERAP application. I am in an RSO and evictions are supposed to be illegal in the city of LA, but my landlord and many others are still trying to push people into homelessness, even after tenants went through the laborious process of applying for rent relief for their landlords. NO EVICTIONS NOW, NO EVICTIONS EVER. CANCEL THE RENT.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Albert Kim

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 10:21 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please keep the CoViD-19 tenant protections in place. Due to the ongoing public health crisis, I am unable to source for a roommate safely. The absence of a roommate has doubled my rent during this time but the protection issued by this City Council has kept me housed. If these tenant protections were to expire prior to the public health crisis ending, I will not be able to remain housed. I am disabled and on a fixed income, so my resources are limited. Thank you for your time and consideration.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Amanda Fitz

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 11:11 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Thousands have relied on COVID tenant protections and making changes to phase out emergency tenant protections now, as COVID cases are rising, could be devastating. A 30-day report back is not enough time to develop recommendations on such an important topic that would put at risk thousands of LIVES. We can't have a phase-out until we have stronger permanent protections in place. We need a permanent solution for housing in LA. We need safeguards from eviction for tenants who get sick or temporarily lose income. We need just cause protections on ALL UNITS, no exceptions! We need a codified right to counsel and strong anti-harassment implementation. We need stronger rent stabilization so tenants aren't facing huge rent hikes when emergency protections end. Do not jeopardize the lives of innocent people with a fast-tracked process. Motion to pull this item off of the consent calendar and take it back to the committee to include qualitative input from tenants! LAHD needs to hold a series of public outreach meetings to get input from tenants to inform the recommendations. We need transparency for any proposal to phase out any protections and put forward a timeline that allows for ample notice to tenants of any forthcoming changes. Direct LAHD to look into specific policies to strengthen permanent protections, including universal just cause, limiting rent increases like in Oakland, limits on nonpayment evictions, etc. (i.e., the stuff in our TBOR report).

## Communication from Public

**Name:** angelique reinicke

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 11:14 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Taking away rent protections is the most inhumane action. The pandemic should have taught us how to build a better system for us to all be able to live in homes equally. This will only cause more homelessness and more issues. Let people stay in there homes and live peacefully . Come up with a grading system if tenants aren't behaving well. Create buildings with certain criteria to meet and different alignments. Nobody deserves to be kicked out of there home . We need to evolve as people and make housing a permanent necessity. Each landlord can work with the government systems. It's not that hard to envision. But kicking people out of there homes is not the answer.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Francisco Arvizu

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 11:20 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Protect Tenants to Save Lives: Keep LA Housed! NO to the phaseout of LA City's emergency eviction protections; YES to stronger permanent tenant protections. NO report back without any tenant input. thank you so much!

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 10:34 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Protect Tenants to Save Lives: Keep LA Housed! NO to the phaseout of LA City's emergency eviction protections; YES to stronger permanent tenant protections. NO report back without any tenant input.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Sam

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 09:54 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** I strongly urge the City Council NOT to start any reporting process to phase out renter protections, especially on a fast-track basis. Tenants are still struggling to make ends meet. Wages are low while rents are at a historic high and rising. For many tenants in Los Angeles, the Covid protection statute is the only thing preventing them from falling into homelessness. We are already in the middle of a homelessness crisis, with 60k unhoused people on the street already. Now is not the time to strip away tenant protections and cause even more Angelenos to become unhoused. The tenant protections are already time limited. They are tied to the City-level state-of-emergency. This is more than sufficient protection for landlords to fall back on while ensuring that tenant rights are protected during this emergency. Finally, if the City Council chooses to take any actions regarding the tenant protection acts, they must include tenant voices and tenant-advocate voices in the discussion. This historic housing crisis was caused by our city prioritizing home owners and ignoring the needs of tenants for decades. Please do not make the same mistakes again. I urge the City Council NOT to pass #21 as currently written, and to instead extend time for further public discussion. Signed, Sam Hecht, Los Angeles



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Harrison Lees

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 09:57 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** The tenant protections initiated in response to the pandemic must be maintained for as long as the pandemic itself is present. We're still dealing everyday with the effects of the pandemic including inflation and one of the only things keeping tenants secure to some extent are these protections. If the city council allows the tenant protections to expire, they will be bowing to the pressure of landlords who would rather insist things are already normal for the sake of their investment. Leaving tenants to weather the storm of the pandemic simply to appease the property owners amounts to nothing short of social engineering.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Joan Mao

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 10:01 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Thousands have relied on COVID tenant protections and making changes now, as COVID cases are devastating. A 30-day report back is not enough time to develop recommendations on such an important topic. We can't have a phase-out until we have stronger permanent protections in place. We need permanent safeguards from eviction for tenants who get sick or temporary lose income. We need just cause protections on all units, no exceptions! We need a codified right to counsel and strong anti-harassment implementation. We need strong rent stabilization so tenants aren't facing huge rent hikes when emergency protections end.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Kery Ramirez

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 10:21 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Protect Tenants to Save Lives: Keep LA Housed! NO to the phaseout of LA City's emergency eviction protections; YES to stronger permanent tenant protections. NO report back without any tenant input.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Silvia Marroquin

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 10:21 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Good morning City Councils, My name is Silvia Marroquin, I'm a Senior Organizer with SAJE (Strategic Actions for a Just Economy). Covid-19 has devastated our lives and continues to be at the center of our problems. In the best of cases we didn't lose a loved one but have lost so much, our lives have been turned around completely. I have seen and heard stories from tenants who are at risk of losing their places where they live because in times of need, greed comes afloat too and inhumane acts take a toll on our most vulnerable citizens. From a 86 year old woman who sells flowers for a living who lived under a dining table, to a 60 year old who lives with her nephew who doesn't have any source of income and can't afford to pay her rent. How are we going to live with ourselves as a society who are willing to see those people on the streets. These senior citizens should be enjoying what is left of their lives comfortably. Please help those people by making sure they won't end up on the streets when Covid-19 protections are lifted. Extend those Covid-19 protections, give those and the many angelinos the Codified Right to Counsel.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Silvia Marroquin

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 10:25 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Good morning City Councils, My name is Silvia Marroquin, I'm a Senior Organizer with SAJE (Strategic Actions for a Just Economy). Covid-19 has devastated our lives and continues to be at the center of our problems. In the best of cases we didn't lose a loved one but have lost so much, our lives have been turned around completely. I have seen and heard stories from tenants who are at risk of losing their places where they live because in times of need, greed comes afloat too and inhumane acts take a toll on our most vulnerable citizens. From a 86 year old woman who sells flowers for a living who lived under a dining table, to a 60 year old who lives with her nephew who doesn't have any source of income and can't afford to pay her rent. How are we going to live with ourselves as a society who are willing to see those people on the streets. These senior citizens should be enjoying what is left of their lives comfortably. Please help those people by making sure they won't end up on the streets when Covid-19 protections are lifted. Extend those Covid-19 protections, give those and the many angelinos the Codified Right to Counsel.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Mateo

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 10:25 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Protect Tenants to Save Lives: Keep LA Housed! NO to the phaseout of LA City's emergency eviction

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Darrel Haynes

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 10:26 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am against COVID renter projections expiring. Thousands being evicted is a disaster. Housing is a human right

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Brittany D. Rivas

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 09:22 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Honorable city council, My name is Brittany Rivas a stakeholder of Southeast LA writing to urge you all to oppose the phase out of COVID-19 protections and absolutely require tenant inclusion in drafting any recommendations. With the significant amount of residents that are renters in LA County, it is critical to provide permanent protections and ensure communities remain housed. Considering the limited "resources" and housing options available for houseless folx, it would drastically impact the livelihoods of so many bipoc renters. Ultimately, housing decisions should come from the people impacted not the corporations and businesses aiming to fill their pockets. Again, I want to emphasize that renters deserve permanent protections and need to be included in drafting recommendations with enough time to make a comprehensive draft. Please make sure to OPPOSE THE PHASE OUT OF COVID-19 PROTECTIONS AND INCLUDE RENTERS TO DEVELOP DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS. Thank you for your time and consideration to make a positive difference for thousands if not millions.



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Cristina Lugo

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 09:26 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am very concerned about the proposed ending of the eviction moratorium while this same council has simultaneously taken steps to criminalize homelessness and their presence in public places. Where do you imagine the tenants who do not have the means to pay back rent will go to live in this city? They will go directly onto the streets and increase the crisis that this council so adamant about doing something about. You can take the bicycles away from the unhoused but prepare for a new wave of people coming onto the streets with all of their belongings if this comes to pass. COVID cases are rising and continue to cause people to lose work, their health and with the rising inflation and gas prices, those who are already behind will not be able to catch up. Stop taking the short cuts to solving the crisis in homelessness and please dedicate yourselves to actual solutions.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Anthony

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 09:28 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please do not roll back eviction protections for tenants at this time. Gas prices are soaring. Rents are increasing. Inflation is all that anybody is talking about. Student loan payments are set to resume in august. Covid cases in LA are rising - enough for masks to still be mandatory on LA Metro. People are struggling right now beyond the comprehension of the Councilmembers. Meanwhile, millions of renters are still waiting to get paid for back rent via the state rent relief program. This is not the time to roll back protections for tenants, especially as the White House and CDC both anticipate a massive Covid wave this winter. Please, please do not do this right now. It will only hurt the most vulnerable among us.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 09:07 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** COVID continues to impact mostly low income renters and the protections should remain in place. Many renters, mostly black and brown, have jobs in which they do not have the privilege to work from home, therefore still significantly at risk of lost wages which would quickly lead to eviction should the protections be amended. Thousands of renters will face harassment from landlords and eviction. At this time rents have skyrocketed for no other reason than greedy landlords participating in gouging. Families will end up unhoused. Until the economy and COVID are under control, there should be no amendment or report back. Renters have a right to provide input prior to any discussion or decisions on the “phasing” out of these protections that are keeping families in their home.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Mia Grindon

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 08:43 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Re: item #21. It is critical that we preserve tenant protections that people are relying on, especially given that the pandemic isn't over. Furthermore, we need permanent safeguards from eviction for tenants who get sick or lose temporary income, such as cause protection, rent stabilization, and a codified right to counsel.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Kelly Henderson

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 08:43 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council Members, I am writing to oppose any phaseout of the City's emergency eviction protections. The pandemic is still affecting millions of L.A. residents and has disproportionately affected renters. The City must enact stronger permanent protections for tenants. Specifically, there should be no report back without tenant input. Thank you for your consideration.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Terrence

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 08:51 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** We need stronger permanent protections for tenants. All humans have a right to housing. Prioritizing profits for landlords over human needs is immoral. Do not phase out the eviction moratorium. Keep people housed. In a time when COVID is still killing people, prices are way too high to afford anything, the streets are full of unhoused, and the world is in chaos, do not make the problem worse by allowing evictions of vulnerable renters. Keep people housed! Please!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Isaiah

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 08:11 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please do not end the eviction moratorium. The pandemic is not over, in fact cases and hospitalizations are going up. Inflation and a bad economy is further causing vulnerability. LA's homelessness crisis is massive and an end to the eviction moratorium will only make it worse. Please prioritize the well-being of average people who are in need. The people who want this law passed are landlords, lobbyists, and the real estate industry. They want it passed, not because they need the money, but because they want extra money on top of the money they already have. On the other hand, renters desperately need their apartments in this vulnerable time. People in this city NEED your help. They need you to keep this law in place so they can keep a roof over their head during a pandemic, inflation, and a potential recession. Do you want to fix the homelessness crisis? Start by preventing even more people from becoming homeless. Please keep people in your community safe.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Chris Cohen

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 08:31 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Im an LA county resident who is alarmed by the recent city council motion to reassess LA's eviction moratorium. Covid cases are rising, wages are stagnant and low, and rents are extremely high (\$3400 / month is average). This is no time to lift the moratorium- thousands of vulnerable Angelenos will be evicted and end up on the street, costing taxpayers billions in infrastructure. This motion has been fast tracked without adequate public comment or input. Please keep the moratorium in place and keep poor working class Angelenos housed. This is the least we can do until our city's inequalities are properly addressed. Thanks



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Ryan Bell

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 08:32 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council President and City Council members, My name is Ryan Bell. I'm the Southern California Regional Coordinator with Tenants Together, a statewide non-profit working to support tenants in their struggle to stay housed and secure stable housing for themselves, their families, and their neighbors. I am writing to strongly URGE you not to roll back emergency COVID tenant protections without a) serious public input from tenants in the city who are still suffering due to the pandemic, job loss, family loss, and now high inflation and an impending recession, and b) without having permanent tenant protections in place such as those outlined in the Tenant Bill of Rights being put forward by the Keep LA Housed Coalition. All over LA County and Southern California, and especially in LA City, tenants are in an extremely precarious position with mounting debt and expiring protections. LA City's emergency protections have been vital to keep people from falling into homeless which is already at record breaking levels. I urge the council to consider what we have learned over the past two and half years. The pandemic has pulled back the curtain on systemic housing precarity region-wide. Instead of a return to the pre-pandemic status quo of eviction, displacement, uninhabitable conditions and harassment at the hands of predatory landlords, we need permanent protections designed to stabilize our extremely fragile housing. Every person who stays housed is a person we won't have to count (and mourn) next January during the homeless count. Even purely from an economic point of view, keeping families and individuals in their housing saves the city massive resources needed to help them find their way back to housing. These are expenses that the landlord and real estate lobby externalizes for the sake of their profit. The public picks up the tab. Sincerely, Ryan Bell Tenants Together

## Communication from Public

**Name:** John Kennedy

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 08:41 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** I strongly urge the City Council to maintain Covid-19 tenant protections. The pandemic is far from over. A significant percentage of people suffering from Covid experience long term symptoms. We are still learning about this virus and should keep all protections for tenants in place.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Efraim Flores Gonzalez

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 07:51 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** First off I want to start by saying housing is a human right. Secondly I would like to point out that 30 days is not enough to make a huge decision on the future of many low income tenants who faces evictions. With increasing rent we need permanent protection for our most vulnerable constituents. It is time to listen to the working people's demands and not the profit seeking landlords! I ask every single one of you to put yourselves in the shoes of the working class for once, to listen to the majority of Angelinos who you are supposed to represent! We will hold you accountable or have you replaced!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jenny

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 07:04 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** I just want to thank you so much for continuing the eviction moratorium. It is imperative for me personally that it continues. My landlord has violated the tenant anti-harassment ordinance several times per LAHD and has posted a demolition notice on the property, even though I still live here. The moratoriums have been my lifeline.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 03:21 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Thank you for this opportunity to comment. Like millions, I am a terrified tenant! With massive homelessness now is the time to strengthen tenant protections! In the strongest possible terms, I am begging you oppose the phase out of the emergency tenant protections, and there should be no report back without tenant input!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Dr. Marina Reyes Lopez Mautner

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 06:13 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** We are currently experiencing more COVID-19 cases than this time last year in Los Angeles. This pandemic is not over. It is not time to roll back safety measures that were enacted to ensure fewer vulnerable people in Los Angeles towards the beginning of the pandemic. The long-term effects of COVID-19 in our bodies have not changed; the pandemic continues to be a mass disabling event that should be treated as such by our public servants. We need to be implementing policies and actions that reduce exposure and encourage isolation during infection. Rolling back tenant protections will have a direct impact on the number of houseless and transitional residents in Los Angeles. Do not vote to overturn tenant protections that have been put in place to protect all of us together. Landlord profits do not take precedent over the public health and long-term success of our residents.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 06:21 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** “Necesitamos una estabilización de la renta, una fuerte implementación contra el acoso y un derecho codificado a un abogado; necesitamos causa justa en todas las unidades, sin excepciones! Necesitamos de las protecciones contra los desalojos para los inquilinos que lo necesiten, que han perdido sus trabajos, los que han enfermado, los que han perdido algún familiar por COVID-19, y más si este era el que sostenía su hogar económicamente en todo, no se puede tener una eliminación gradual, necesitamos de las protecciones permanentes. El reporte de los 30 días no es suficiente para desarrollar recomendaciones sobre este tema importante para todos, sabemos que miles dependen de estas protecciones y hacer cambios ahora sería aún más devastador si aumentan más casos de COVID-19, tendríamos más familias en la calle con más necesidades” Gracias por su atención.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Kelsey

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 01:02 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please consider the tenants when voting on repealing COVID tenant protections. COVID cases are rising, wages are low, we are living in a recession, and the median price of a rental in LA is \$3,400. Tenants haven't been consulted about this possible phaseout that could result in thousands of evictions. Tenants have been relying on these protections to stay housed. The unhoused population has more than tripled in recent years, without any thought to their health and safety. If housing gets worse, that means more people will be out on the street during a pandemic. Please, please, PLEASE do not forget to protect EVERYONE who lives in Los Angeles, not just the landlords.



## Communication from Public

**Name:** Monique Ortiz

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 01:19 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** As an unemployed, single mother, I urge you to keep the tenant protections in place. If these protections are pulled back - myself and countless other parents and children will be destabilized and forced out of our homes. I have never been in a more dire financial situation than I am in right now.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jason Spiegel-Grote  
**Date Submitted:** 06/21/2022 12:39 PM  
**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3  
**Comments for Public Posting:** Lifting rent restrictions would be an utter disaster which would exacerbate Los Angeles' homelessness crisis. It would be a disaster. Please reconsider.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Sonia Suresh

**Date Submitted:** 06/21/2022 03:59 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am a resident of CD5 and I urge City Council to extend the COVID-19 tenant protections. These emergency protections were needed even before COVID was an emergency. These protections are life saving and will help keep folks housed and safe while COVID still affects our communities. We need permanent strong tenant protections AND we need to include tenants in this process.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Alex S.

**Date Submitted:** 06/21/2022 11:50 PM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** It would be unjust and unethical to end the eviction moratorium given the rising COVID cases in LA, the state of the regional economy which has not bounced back from the ongoing pandemic, and the state of low wages throughout the city which have not kept pace with rising rents. LA constituents support continuing the eviction moratorium until the pandemic has ended and our regional economy has recovered. Ending the eviction moratorium now would create a public health crisis and further exasperate the current housing crisis.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Julia Goldberg

**Date Submitted:** 06/22/2022 12:15 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0042-S3

**Comments for Public Posting:** As someone who works full-time in the city of Los Angeles and has many family members who reside here, I am deeply concerned about changes being made to tenant protections related to the pandemic. Cases are surging, which means a phase-out of protections could still be deadly for many renters. Tenants who get sick or lose temporary income should not be threatened with eviction in our current climate, especially when there is such limited availability in temporary housing and shelters. Other major U.S. cities have a codified right to counsel and rent stabilization—the city of LA desperately needs to follow suit. Evictions are cruel and inhumane to our most vulnerable populations, in addition to being a public health and safety hazard. The City Council must NOT amend the eviction moratorium without establishing more permanent protections including renters' voices. The median price of a rental in LA is \$3400—an all-time high. Prioritizing landlord profits over tenant protections will make LA a more hostile place for everyone to live and work.