

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Raymond Fouad  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Councilmembers: There is no pandemic-related medical purpose for an eviction moratorium. President Biden, WHO, and CDC have announced that the pandemic is officially over. Their opinions trump the LAHD's recommendation to end the moratorium at the end of the year - end the moratorium immediately! It has been 929 days of denying due process of law, denying basic rights of property ownership, denying any pay increases for housing providers, and denying the fact that today, very few tenants can support a COVID hardship claim. Rent Freeze There is no pandemic-related medical purpose for a rent freeze. A blanket rent freeze is a shotgun approach that doesn't recognize the difference in income levels or needs. If you are concerned for tenants who will not be able to keep up with rent increases, then create a county voucher system to cover a portion of the rent for QUALIFIED families or individuals. The Golden Rule If you are going to preserve a rent freeze, then retroactively freeze pay increases for yourselves along with it! IF you ended the eviction moratorium today (929 days) and kept the rent freeze for a year (365 days), you would need to receive no pay increases for over 3.5 years! What were you making back in 2018? Actually, if you really believe that rents need to be frozen, then freeze all city pay increases for the same period of time. You wouldn't be too popular, would you? Now you know why you are not too popular with rental property owners. Housing providers work hard to shelter renters and you are denying them all just compensation through the rent freeze. Since you obviously only think of tenants, then please understand that you are driving down the quality of housing by freezing rents. As the quality of housing goes down, crime does increase. There are tons of unintended consequences. Do not forget the massive failure that public housing was and is. Act now! Vote to end the moratorium and the rent freeze. The pandemic is over, as voiced by our President. Best regards, Raymond Fouad

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Tatiana

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear council members and mayor, Have you ever thought of canceling property tax and utilities for landlords to compensate their loss of rent? Next time looking at mirror, please ask yourself, why should the mom and pop small landlords pay the price of this lopsided and unjust moratorium imposed on the shoulders of landlords. I hope you consider removing the eviction ban .

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Leg

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Members, First let say we really appreciated and thank you for helping and providing tenants rent relief programs to allow both impacted renters and small property owners like us to survive the pandemic. I'm only writing this to point out my observation and what could be an outcome of continuing the moratorium. I'm sure there are still renters that need much help and protection that we all have the obligation and as a member of this community to provide that help. But putting all this burden on one sector would be considered negligent by our elected officials. At this point extending the State of Emergency Declaration to August 2023 means disastrous results for many ordinary tenants and Landlords who still must pay mortgage payments, upkeep sky rocketing expenses and utilities, property taxes, insurance along other unexpected expenses. Most of the small property owner tenants are the ordinary people that only can afford to rent control low-cost housing. City and county officials by keep voting this way potentially pushed the small owner force to sell, forfeit or foreclose and the big investor and developer will take over and eventually driving off both small property owners and ordinary under-privileged renters. What a disaster for middle class societies. I wish there was some study and statistics to point out what will happen in the next few years to come. Targeting and punishing one group and that is small landlords and as a consequence low income renters and no other group is your decision to make . Respectfully.