

HOUSING COMMITTEE REPORT relative to options for code amendments to require sufficient cooling apparatuses in residential rental units, the impact of extreme weather and climate change on housing conditions, assisting tenants without access to functioning cooling apparatuses, and resources and programs to assist low-income households during extreme weather events.

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

1. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD) and City Attorney to report to the Council on options to amend the current code to require sufficient cooling apparatuses in residential rental units in Los Angeles, and potential funding sources.
2. INSTRUCT the LAHD, Chief Heat Officer, and Climate Emergency Mobilization Office (CEMO), to report to the Council on ways that extreme weather events and climate change may impact housing conditions, especially in older units, and any necessary mitigations to ensure safe living conditions across the City's housing stock.
3. REQUEST the City Attorney, with assistance from the LAHD, to report to the Council with options for actions the City can take to assist tenants who do not have access to functioning cooling apparatuses for an unreasonable period of time despite their leases establishing their access to such apparatuses.
4. REQUEST the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) to report to the Council on resources and programs to assist low-income households with their energy bills during extreme weather events, as well as rebates to buy more energy efficient cooling devices.
5. INSTRUCT the City Administrative Officer (CAO) to report to the Council on funding sources to assist low-income households during extreme weather events, such as the Climate Equity Fund.
6. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS), LAHD, Chief Heat Officer, and CEMO, to report to the Council on these instructions through their pending report back on Council file No. 21-1463, for one consolidated report to the Council, separate from the new building decarbonization matter.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on October 12, 2022, the Housing Committee considered Motion (Martinez – Price) relative to requesting reports on options to require sufficient cooling apparatuses in residential rental units in the City; the impact of extreme weather events and climate on housing conditions, and any mitigations to ensure safe living conditions across the City's housing stock; potential options to assist tenants without access to functioning cooling apparatuses for an unreasonable period of time; resources, rebates, and LADWP programs to assist low-income households during extreme weather events; and funding sources to assist low-income households during extreme weather events; as detailed above. LAHD staff provided an overview of the matter. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to adopt the recommendations contained in the Motion, as amended to instruct the LADBS, LAHD, Chief Heat Officer, and CEMO, to report on these instructions through their pending report backs on Council file No. 21-1463, for one consolidated report to the Council, separate from the new building decarbonization matter. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING COMMITTEE

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

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