

Martinez, Ruben

From: Candace Seu <cswmseu@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2020 11:28 PM
To: Public Comment; Jomsky, Mark
Cc: Hampton, Tyron; McAustin, Margaret; Kennedy, John; Masuda, Gene; Gordo, Victor; Madison, Steve; Wilson, Andy; Tornek, Terry
Subject: Support for item #5 on tomorrow's agenda

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Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers,

I am in support of all of the items related to COVID-19 on tomorrow's special meeting agenda (March 17), and particularly so of Item #5 - the eviction moratorium. We know that the impacts of COVID-19 are falling hardest on those who are homeless or housing insecure, and it's essential to everyone's health that we do everything we can to protect people from losing their shelter at this most vulnerable time.

I have a few comments for consideration regarding the language of the ordinance:

- I appreciate that late fees are explicitly prohibited. Will this prohibition still hold if, after 6 months following the end of the emergency, the tenants are unable to pay the entire sum?
- The ordinance states that tenants must pay the back rent within 6 months. Families who live from paycheck to paycheck and who may have lost their jobs during the crisis would likely find it extremely difficult to come up several months' rent at once. Please consider whether it is possible to establish that due date on a rolling basis or otherwise build in more flexibility for payment plans.

Finally, related to the above, I implore you to continue doing everything you can to increase the availability of affordable housing in Pasadena. We've known for a long time how fragile people's economic situations are, but we've been able to ignore that as long as things kept functioning. COVID-19 has merely transformed that fragility into a crisis we can't afford to ignore. We always need to be looking at the long term, but if COVID becomes endemic - as medical personnel are suggesting is likely - then we need to start preparing for that now.

Thank you for your leadership in protecting all of Pasadena's people during this uncertain time.

Sincerely,

Candace Seu
District 6

Martinez, Ruben

From: Matthew Sorrenti <matthewsorrenti1@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 12:25 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

Greetings, I am a resident of Pasadena in the Sixth District. I write regarding the “Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic.” These are unprecedented times in our city, our country, and our globe. If we do not act, many of Pasadena’s most vulnerable tenants, such as restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, and contract workers will lose their homes.

I write to urge you to pass this emergency eviction moratorium as a stabilizing response to the COVID19 public health emergency, as many other cities across the country have done.

Importantly, I urge you to modify the proposed ordinance with these changes:

1. The moratorium must apply to all evictions, and should not require that tenants demonstrate COVID-19-related losses. As written now, the ordinance places a major burden of proof upon the tenant and a major burden of verification upon the city government.
2. Landlords must be required to accept partial payment of rent and forgive unpaid rent for the duration of this emergency period. Otherwise, recovering back rent will be highly burdensome if not impossible for most tenants.
3. A moratorium on mortgage payments.

Thank you for your consideration and support of tenants in this urgent matter. Uncertain times require vision and bravery.

Respectfully,

Matthew Sorrenti

Martinez, Ruben

From: Angel M. Castillo <kamenfighter@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 12:39 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of City Council,

I hope you are all well during this crisis. My name is Angel Marti Castillo and I am a resident of Pasadena. I write regarding the "Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic." These are unprecedented times in our city, our country, and our globe. If we do not act, many of Pasadena's most vulnerable tenants, such as restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, and contract workers will lose their homes.

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Respectfully,
Angel M. Castillo
1222 East Orange Grove Blvd. Apt. 14
Pasadena 91104

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Thanks,
Angel M. Castillo (he/him)

Martinez, Ruben

From: Illeana Arinaga <IlleanaAri@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 1:01 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Respectfully,

Illeana Arinaga
Pasadena Tenant

Martinez, Ruben

From: Charles Xu <chxu616@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 1:41 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

Greetings, I am a resident of Pasadena City Council District 7. I write regarding the “Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic” which you are debating at today's emergency meeting. These are unprecedented times in our city, our country, and the world. If we do not act, many of Pasadena’s most vulnerable tenants, such as restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, and contract workers will lose their homes.

I write to urge you to pass this emergency eviction moratorium as a stabilizing response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, as many other cities across the country have done.

Importantly, I urge you to modify the proposed ordinance as follows:

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Respectfully,
Charles Xu

Martinez, Ruben

From: Beverly Shanahan <Bebhionne@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 3:52 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium of City Council

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

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Respectfully,

Beverly Shanahan

230 E California Boulevard
Pasadena, CA 91106

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Joe <bautista.joe@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 7:32 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium

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Hi,

My name is Joseph Bautista and I live in Pasadena's District 2. I understand that an eviction moratorium is on the agenda tonight and I want the Council to know that I support such a moratorium. I know the devil is always in the details, but given that our Governor, in an effort to limit the spread of COVID-19, has continued to place tighter and tighter restrictions that adversely affect the number of hours people are able to work, we need to start somewhere, and an eviction moratorium might be the best place to start.

Often these types of issues end up being shouting matches between landlords and tenants. I myself am a landlord. Given that many of the Council Members are landlords as well, perhaps they could work with the Pasadena Tenants Union in figuring out what a reasonable and sensible Pasadena Eviction Moratorium should be - but it should be done quickly.

Speaking of details, I just discovered today that the City of Santa Monica has enacted their own moratorium:

<https://www.santamonica.gov/press/2020/03/14/city-of-santa-monica-issues-temporary-moratorium-on-evictions-for-non-payment-of-rent-by-residential-tenants-impacted-by-the-novel-coronavirus-covid-19>

Joe Bautista

Martinez, Ruben

From: Dan Huynh <bleuroses@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 7:38 AM
To: Public Comment; Kennedy, John; Porras, Susana
Subject: Please Pass the Eviction Moratorium Now

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Respectfully,
Dan Huynh
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Martinez, Ruben

From: Brynn Holbrook <brynntoo@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 7:45 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

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Respectfully,
Brynn Holbrook

Martinez, Ruben

From: Steven Wood <stewood23@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 7:55 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

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Respectfully,
Steven Wood

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Christy Zamani <christy@godayone.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 7:57 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: public comment

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Dear Vice Mayor Hampton and Members of the city council,
Thank you all for your leadership during this uncertain time.
I urge you to address the following emerging needs that are creating stress and growing anxiety in our community.

1. Bathroom/showers access for homeless individuals
2. Enact a moratorium against the eviction of any tenant, or the shut off of their utilities for 60 days.

Thank you again for all you do,
Christy

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by advancing public health,
empowering youth, and
igniting change



Martinez, Ruben

From: Blair Miller <blairmiller1@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:17 AM
To: Jomsky, Mark; Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium and Homeless Services

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

First I want to thank you all for your swift action to address these critical issues. Your leadership and communication is appreciated right now.

I am writing in support of Item #5 on today's agenda, the emergency eviction moratorium as a stabilizing response to the COVID19 public health emergency.

I suggest you modify the proposed ordinance with these two changes:

1. The moratorium should apply to all evictions, and should not require that tenants demonstrate COVID-19-related losses. As written now, the ordinance places a major burden of proof upon the tenant and a major burden of verification upon the city government.
2. Making up back rent will be highly burdensome if not impossible for many of Pasadena's most vulnerable tenants, such as restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, and contract workers. As emergency funds become available through the state and the federal government, the City should create a fund to help keep tenants in their homes.

In a separate matter that is not yet on the agenda, enabling sanitation for homeless people is now an urgent public health matter. Please consider putting porta-potties and hand washing stations in key locations, and using now-unused hotel rooms for temporary shelter.

Thank you for your consideration of this urgent matter.

Blair Miller

Martinez, Ruben

From: Marianne Ryan <marianneryan1014@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:23 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Respectfully,

<https://gcc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.pasadenanow.com%2Fmain%2Fcouncil-to-discuss-eviction-moratorium-at-special-meeting-on-tuesday%2F&data=01%7C01%7Crumartinez%40cityofpasadena.net%7C7731d953496d430a2bf508d7ca87208e%7C82d9fc002c664402a28fc6bc32e491%7C1&sdata=v3K4buXPZVcosd6ld5Fkp2gxfHln4z5sZLOC%2FSEIEY%3D&reserved=0>

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Sandra Olewine <solewine@fumcpasadena.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:29 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Evection Moratorium Now

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

Greetings, I am both a resident of Pasadena and a pastor of a congregation in our city. I write regarding the "Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic."

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Respectfully,
Rev. Sandra K. Olewine

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Sonja Berndt <sonja.berndt19@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:32 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Respectfully,

Sonja Berndt

Martinez, Ruben

From: Labeledz, Celeste R. <clabeledz@caltech.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:37 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Respectfully,

Celeste Labeledz
Seismological Laboratory
California Institute of Technology
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Martinez, Ruben

From: Sonja Berndt <sonja.berndt19@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:28 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Today's City Council Agenda Item Eviction Moratorium

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Dear Mayor Tornek, Vice Mayor Hampton, and Council Members:

Greetings, I am a resident of Pasadena. These are unprecedented times in our city, our country, and our globe. I write to urge you to pass this emergency eviction moratorium as a stabilizing reaction to the COVID-19 public health emergency. We do not need to add more people to the streets, even without a public health emergency. Please think of your most vulnerable tenants: restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, contract workers. Many different types of work make our community diverse. Tenants are not asking for a free ride. Our public schools are closed. Public orders have been put in place that are impossible to follow unhoused. Please don't let currently housed tenants be at risk of adding to the suffering on the streets.

We stand with our unhoused brothers and sisters also during this public health emergency. We urge every action possible on the part of council to assist the most vulnerable in our city—people without homes.

Thank you for your consideration and support of tenants in this urgent matter. Uncertain times require vision and bravery.

Respectfully,

Sonja Berndt

Martinez, Ruben

From: Patricia Cunliffe <integratedproducer@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:40 AM
To: Public Comment; Tornek, Terry; Hampton, Tyron; McAustin, Margaret; Masuda, Gene; Gordo, Victor; awilson1997@yahoo.com; Madison, Steve; Kennedy, John
Subject: KEEP PEOPLE HOUSED During this HEALTH SCARE

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Dear Mayor and Council Members,,

I write to ask you to please think about your fellow man that struggles in his everyday life over the one that collects and lives well off of those who struggle. At this particular moment when so many hourly employees are not able to go to work - please do not allow evictions to proceed!

Even without a public health emergency, we do not need to add more people to the streets. Please think of your most vulnerable tenants: restaurant workers, freelancers/1099 workers, contract workers. Many different types of work make our community diverse. Tenants are not asking for a free ride. Our public schools are closed. Public orders have been put in place which are impossible to follow unhoused. Please don't let currently housed tenants be at risk of adding to the suffering on the streets.

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Thank you for your consideration and support of tenants in this urgent matter. Uncertain times require vision, bravery & sticking up for those who are downtrodden.

Thank you,

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Misch Anderson <misch.anderson@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:38 AM
To: Public Comment; Jomsky, Mark; Wilson, Andy
Cc: Hampton, Tyron; McAustin, Margaret; Kennedy, John; Masuda, Gene; Gordo, Victor; Madison, Steve; Tornek, Terry
Subject: Comment on tonight's special Council meeting agenda

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Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers,

I am in support of all of the items related to COVID-19 on tonight's special meeting agenda (March 17), and particularly so of Item #5 - the eviction moratorium. We know that the impacts of COVID-19 are falling hardest on those who are homeless or housing-insecure, and it's essential to everyone's health that we do everything we can to protect people from losing their shelter at this most vulnerable time.

The City should also rent portable restrooms and hand wash stations for areas around town where people traditionally have had access to restrooms. With everything shutting down, people experiencing homelessness have less access to hygiene facilities than ever, and they are important people to help stop community transmission. I should scarcely need mention that they are also among the most critical in terms of vulnerability to COVID-19 and pressure on public health services.

This virus doesn't discriminate who it infects. We must make sure every person can do their part to stop its transmission. But our actions must take into account that the effects of a pandemic does not hit all people equally. It's a practical necessity and a moral imperative that we take measures as a community to get us through this, and we need City leadership to enact citywide measures to complement our individual efforts.

Related to the above, I implore you to continue doing everything you can to **increase the availability of affordable housing** in Pasadena. We've known for a long time how fragile people's economic situations are, but we've been able to ignore that as long as things kept functioning. COVID-19 has merely transformed that fragility into a crisis we can't afford to ignore. We always need to be looking at the long term, but if COVID becomes endemic -- as medical personnel are suggesting is likely -- then we need to start preparing for that now.

Thank you for your leadership in protecting all of Pasadena's people during this time of uncertainty -- a time which could well be a tipping point for many.

Sincerely,

Misch Anderson
District 7

Martinez, Ruben

From: Ryan Bell <rjbell926@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:41 AM
To: Public Comment
Cc: Steve Madison; Gordo, Victor; Hampton, Tyron; McAustin, Margaret; Kennedy, John; Tornek, Terry; Wilson, Andy; Masuda, Gene; Bagneris, Michele; Mermell, Steve
Subject: We URGENTLY need an eviction moratorium and more!

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

Greetings, my name is Ryan Bell and I am a resident of Pasadena in District 6. I also work at a small nonprofit company based in Pasadena. I write regarding the “Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic.” These are unprecedented times in our city, our country, and our globe. If we do not act, many of Pasadena’s most vulnerable tenants, such as restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, and contract workers will lose their homes.

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I also believe that small business, including mom and pop landlords, need to be protected from foreclosure actions. Everyone needs to be kept housed and secure at this moment. This is the most basic function of government.

Thank you for your consideration and support of tenants in this urgent matter. Uncertain times require vision and bravery.

Respectfully,

Ryan Bell
(323) 313-4035

Martinez, Ruben

From: Fred or Rosalie Niemann <niemann007@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:58 AM
To: Jomsky, Mark; Public Comment
Subject: Fw: Important email to City Council

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Respectfully,

Rosalie Niemann, resident
737 Earlham St, 91101

Martinez, Ruben

From: Kate Leitch <leitchka@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:59 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: We need an eviction moratorium now!!

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Hello, I am a tenant living in Pasadena. I write regarding the “Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic.” These are unprecedented times in our city, our country, and our globe. If we do not act, many of Pasadena’s most vulnerable tenants, such as restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, and contract workers will lose their homes.

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Respectfully,
Kate Leitch
Tenant in Councilmember Wilson's district
Postdoctoral scholar at Caltech

Martinez, Ruben

From: Christina Honchell <Honchell@allsaints-pas.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:59 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Evicting Moratorium NOW

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TO: publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net

SUBJECT: Eviction Moratorium NOW

SUGGESTED TEXT:

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Respectfully,

Christina and Mickey Honchell
District 1

Christina Honchell
she/her/hers
Parish Administrator
All Saints Church



March 16, 2020

Pasadena City Hall
Pasadena City Council
Garfield Ave.
Pasadena, CA 91101

Re: Eviction Moratorium - City Council Agenda Item #5 (3/17/20 meeting)

Dear Honorable Mayor and Council Members,

These are indeed unprecedented times in our country and City. Pasadenans Organizing for Progress (POP!) urge each of you to vote in support of an emergency tenant eviction moratorium as a stabilizing action to the dire need for relief that so many families and individuals who rent in Pasadena have during the current COVID-19/coronavirus pandemic.

This pandemic will result in the loss of jobs and income for many Pasadena residents, leaving them unable to pay their rent. By evicting tenants, landlords will contribute to the existing housing crisis. Such evictions will also pose a public health threat, forcing people into homelessness, and creating the potential spread of the virus.

The City of Pasadena and its businesses depend on many service, gig and contract workers, who also live in this City, to make Pasadena great. Therefore, POP! urges the Council to take action to protect its residents, prevent more homelessness, and thwart the spread of this coronavirus.

Thank you for your consideration and support of tenants, the majority population in Pasadena, in this urgent matter.

With regard,
Florence Annang and Kimberly Douglas
Co-Chairs

Pasadenans Organizing for Progress
c/o NDLO
1030 S. Arroyo Parkway Suite 106
Pasadena, CA 91105
info@poppasadena.org

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Bert Newton <bert@makinghousinghappen.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:06 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium

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Respectfully,

Bert Newton
Liaison and Outreach Coordinator
Making Housing and Community Happen
626-993-7958

Martinez, Ruben

From: Charlene Reichert <chreichert@earthlink.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:11 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium

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Respectfully, Charlene Reichert, 91106

Martinez, Ruben

From: Kenna Ledbetter <kledbetter09@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:21 AM
To: Public Comment
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Respectfully,
Kenna Ledbetter

Sent from my iPhone

Martinez, Ruben

From: David Azevedo <davidanthonyazevedo@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:27 AM
To: Public Comment; Jomsky, Mark
Cc: Hampton, Tyron; McAustin, Margaret; Kennedy, John; Masuda, Gene; Gordo, Victor; Madison, Steve; Andy Wilson; Tornek, Terry
Subject: Please pass Eviction Moratorium Today

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Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers,

I am in full support of all COVID-19 items on today's special meeting agenda (March 17), and **particularly so of Item #5 - the eviction moratorium**. We know that the impacts of COVID-19 are falling hardest on those who are homeless or housing-insecure, and it's essential to everyone's health that we do everything we can to protect people from losing their shelter at this most vulnerable time.

Relatedly, I am concerned about [this article in Pasadena Now this morning](#), that discusses how to support businesses during this time. I and many others want to ensure our favorite shops and restaurants survive--I'm craving El Portal's mole enchiladas as we speak--but they're our favorite shops and restaurants **because of the employees that make it so**.

Many of those employees are Pasadena residents who are renters and will undoubtedly be negatively impacted by this economic crisis. If businesses are going to get emergency city-funded support, this support should be **employee-oriented**, with strict caveats such as **not reducing wages, no layoffs, and not reducing/eliminating employee benefits**.

I want my taxpayer dollars to go to those who need it most, and that's our waiters, chefs, janitors, grocery store workers, delivery people, and other under-the-radar Pasadenans who are the backbone of our city's economic, cultural, and civic life. **Without them, we are a hollow city**.

Thank you for your leadership in protecting all of Pasadena's people during this time of uncertainty -- a time which could well be a tipping point for many.

Sincerely,

David Azevedo
District 6
626-658-0047

Martinez, Ruben

From: Ann Zeiss <amzeiss@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:29 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Fwd: Important email to City Council

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From: Ann Zeiss

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From: **Sandra Olewine** <solewine@fumcpasadena.org>
Date: Tue, Mar 17, 2020 at 8:33 AM
Subject: Important email to City Council
To: Rosalie Niemann <niemann007@sbcglobal.net>, Charlene Reichert <chreichs@gmail.com>, Ann Zeiss <amzeiss@gmail.com>, Priscilla Baca <priscillabaca1@gmail.com>, Connie Millsap <cmillsap@sbcglobal.net>, Jen Chapman <jchapman@fumcpasadena.org>

Dear Friends as residents of Pasadena,

On the heels of Governor Newsom issuing an executive order to protect renters and homeowners during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Pasadena City Council will consider passing an emergency ordinance to put a moratorium on evictions. The meeting is TODAY at 11:40 am. If you live in Pasadena, please express your support by sending the following email.

Thanks,
Sandy Olewine

TO: publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net

SUBJECT: Eviction Moratorium NOW

SUGGESTED TEXT:

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Justin Chapman <jdchapman15@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:35 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Pass an eviction moratorium

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Dear Mayor and City Council members,

I am a resident of Pasadena. I write to urge you to pass an eviction moratorium today during the COVID-19 outbreak. Many Pasadena residents are experiencing financial hardships due to businesses closing, so if you do not act, many vulnerable tenants could lose their homes. These are unprecedented times that require government to support its citizens in new and creative ways.

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Thank you,

Justin Chapman
(626) 484-9186
@justindchapman
justindouglaschapman.com

Martinez, Ruben

From: Jennifer Chapman <jchapman@fumcpasadena.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:35 AM
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Respectfully,
Jennifer Chapman

Martinez, Ruben

From: Topher Mathers <tophermathers@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:36 AM
To: Gordo, Victor; De La Cuba, Vannia; Tornek, Terry; Public Comment; Jomsky, Mark; Hampton, Tyron; McAustin, Margaret; Wilson, Andy; Madison, Steve; Masuda, Gene
Subject: Eviction Moratorium & Homeless Support

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Dear Mayor Tornek and Members of City Council,

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Furthermore, I would request that the city provide portable restrooms and hand wash stations for the unhoused populations that could be dispersed around the city.

Thank you for your consideration and support of tenants and homeless in this urgent matter. Uncertain times require vision and bravery.

Sincerely,
Topher Mathers
District 5

 Virus-free. www.avast.com

Martinez, Ruben

From: Michael Cunha <mcunha404@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:49 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium

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Respectfully,

Michael Cunha

Martinez, Ruben

From: Jazmine De La Torre <jazmine.a.delatorre@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:53 AM
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The City should also rent portable restrooms and hand wash stations for areas around town where people traditionally have had access to restrooms. With everything shutting down, people experiencing homelessness have less access to hygiene facilities than ever, and they are important people to help stop community transmission. I should scarcely need mention that they are also among the most critical in terms of vulnerability to COVID-19 and pressure on public health services.

This virus doesn't discriminate who it infects. We must make sure every person can do their part to stop its transmission. But our actions must take into account that the effects of a pandemic does not hit all people equally. It's a practical necessity and a moral imperative that we take measures as a community to get us through this, and we need City leadership to enact citywide measures to complement our individual efforts.

Related to the above, I implore you to continue doing everything you can to **increase the availability of affordable housing** in Pasadena. We've known for a long time how fragile people's economic situations are, but we've been able to ignore that as long as things kept functioning. COVID-19 has merely transformed that fragility into a crisis we can't afford to ignore. We always need to be looking at the long term, but if COVID becomes endemic -- as medical personnel are suggesting is likely -- then we need to start preparing for that now.

Thank you for your leadership in protecting all of Pasadena's people during this time of uncertainty -- a time which could well be a tipping point for many.

Sincerely,

Jazmine De La Torre
District 5

Martinez, Ruben

From: Koontz, Alison <akoontz@caltech.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:53 AM
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Respectfully,
Alison Koontz

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Respectfully,
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From: Angela Tesch <astesch@hotmail.com>
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Respectfully,

Angela Tesch

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Ozzy Simpson <osimpson2020@sequoyahschool.org>
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Respectfully,

Ozzy Simpson

Martinez, Ruben

From: Grant Roy <grantroy@caltech.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:58 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Evictions

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Respectfully,

Kimberli Hudson

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Alejandra Echeveste <ayan90@gmail.com>
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Alejandra Echeveste

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Respectfully,
Kristine Tomaro
869 North Madison Ave
Pasadena, CA 91104

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Kristine Tomaro
Pronouns: She/Her
C: 323-379-6327

Martinez, Ruben

From: Adry Hezekiah <adry.hezekiah@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:06 AM
To: Public Comment
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Respectfully,

Adry H. Furchtgott

Martinez, Ruben

From: Dobrosavljevic, Vasilije <vasilije@caltech.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:08 AM
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Respectfully,
Vasilije Dobrosavljevic
District 5

Martinez, Ruben

From: Jorge Verdin <jverdin.email@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:09 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: URGENT: Enact eviction moratorium in Pasadena

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Respectfully,

Jorge Verdin
Visual Design / Sound Production
626.524.5451

Martinez, Ruben

From: Brenda Anahy H. <anahybrendahernandez@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:13 AM
To: Public Comment

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Respectfully, a concern Angeleno

Martinez, Ruben

From: Mithi Alexa de los Reyes <mdelosre@caltech.edu>
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To: Public Comment
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Mia de los Reyes

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PhD student, Caltech Astronomy
Pronouns: she/her/hers
Email: mdelosre@caltech.edu

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From: Sophia Charan <sophia.charan@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:17 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

Hello, I am a student in Pasadena. I'm sending this email about the "Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic." For the health of the community and following the city's orders, many people cannot work right now. Particularly, Pasadena's most vulnerable tenants (restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, and contract workers). Many of these people will lose their homes if we do not act!

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All the best,
Sophia

Martinez, Ruben

From: Kkroger <kkroger@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:17 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium during COVID-19

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TO: publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net

SUBJECT: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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If we want to reduce the homeless population, this is one step.

Thank you for your consideration and support of the most vulnerable, many of whom are tenants, in this urgent

matter.

Respectfully,

Kathryn Kroger

700 South Lake Ave., Unit 309

Pasadena 91106

Membership / Membrecía



Martinez, Ruben

From: Remy De La Peza <remy.delapeza@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:18 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Public Comment - City Council Emergency Meeting: Adopt Eviction Moratorium

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Honorable City Councilmembers,

As a longtime resident of the City of Pasadena (and District 5), I respectfully urge the City Council to adopt an immediate moratorium on all evictions. I submit these public comments for today's - Tuesday March 17 - emergency City Council meeting. Yesterday, the Governor of California issued an Executive Order giving local governments, like the City of Pasadena, authority to halt evictions of renters and homeowners due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The public health and the economic impacts of COVID-19 are serious and will be long-lasting in ways we cannot even understand yet. The utmost priority of local government during this time is to ensure the welfare of its residents are protected. Housing is critical to the overall health and wellbeing, not just of each household, but of the public at-large. Please take appropriate action today and adopt a moratorium on evictions across the City.

Thank you,
Rémy De La Peza

Martinez, Ruben

From: Zoya Vallari <zoya.vallari@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:20 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: We Need Eviction Moratorium NOW!

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

I am a resident of Pasadena and an employee of Caltech.

I urge you to take big steps in the face of big public health crisis that is facing us now. I am writing in regards to the “Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic.” These are unprecedented times in our city, our country, and our globe. If we do not act, many of Pasadena’s most vulnerable tenants, such as restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, and contract workers will lose their homes.

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Respectfully,
Zoya Vallari.

Martinez, Ruben

From: director Friends In Deed <director@friendsindeedpas.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:20 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium
Attachments: IMG-7002.jpg

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Please accept the attached letter on behalf of all the residents of Pasadena that Friends In Deed represents and supports with rental assistance. Now is that time for compassion.

Thank you,
Rabbi Grater

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From: K Bernal <kbernal1010@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:22 AM
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Respectfully,
Kelsey Bernal

Martinez, Ruben

From: Lori Dajose <lori829@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:24 AM
To: Public Comment
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Respectfully,

Lorinda Dajose
Science writer

Martinez, Ruben

From: Steve Markham <smarkham@caltech.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:26 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction moratorium during coronavirus outbreak

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

I am a resident of Pasadena writing in support of “Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic.” These are unprecedented times in our city, our country, and our globe. If we do not act, many of Pasadena’s most vulnerable tenants, such as restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, and contract workers will lose their homes, exacerbating the spread of the disease and worsening the economic crisis.

I write to urge you to pass this emergency eviction moratorium as a stabilizing response to the COVID19 public health emergency, as many other cities across the country have already done.

Please consider the following additions:

1. To streamline the process, tenants should not need to demonstrate COVID-19-related losses. As written now, the ordinance places a major burden of proof upon the tenant and a major burden of verification upon the city government.
2. Amnesty for partial payment of rent and forgiveness of unpaid rent for the duration of this emergency period. Otherwise, recovering back rent will be highly burdensome if not impossible for most tenants.

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Respectfully,
Steve Markham

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From: Philip Woods <philipwoods93@gmail.com>
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Philip Woods

Martinez, Ruben

From: Wesley Reutimann <wesleyreutimann@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:32 AM
To: Public Comment; Jomsky, Mark; Hampton, Tyron; McAustin, Margaret; Kennedy, John; Masuda, Gene; Gordo, Victor; Madison, Steve; Wilson, Andy; Tornek, Terry
Subject: Public Comment: Restrooms/Hand Wash Stations for People Experiencing Homelessness and other COVID 19 Actions

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Dear Mayor and Members of City Council,

As a local resident concerned about the health and well-fare of our community, I am writing today to urge your support for local efforts to reduce the impact of COVID19 on Pasadena's most vulnerable residents, including restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers, contract workers, and people experiencing homelessness.

I am in support of all of the items related to COVID-19 on tonight's special meeting agenda (March 17), particularly Item #5 - the eviction moratorium. The impacts of COVID-19 will fall hardest on those who are homeless or housing-insecure, and it's essential to everyone's health that we do everything we can to protect people from losing their shelter at this most vulnerable time.

The City should also make portable restrooms and hand wash stations available in areas around town where people traditionally have had access to restrooms. With everything shutting down, people experiencing homelessness have less access to facilities than ever, with associated personal and community health impacts. They are also among the most vulnerable to COVID-19, and their health and well-being will impact public health services at a time when capacity is expected to be severely tested.

This virus doesn't discriminate who it infects. We must make sure every person can do their part to stop its transmission. But our actions must take into account that the effects of a pandemic does not hit all people equally. It's a practical necessity and a moral imperative that we take measures as a community to get us through this, and we need City leadership to enact citywide measures to complement our individual efforts.

Related to the above, I implore you to continue doing everything you can to **increase the availability of affordable housing** in Pasadena. We've known for a long time how fragile people's economic situations are, but we've been able to ignore that as long as things kept functioning. COVID-19 has merely transformed that fragility into a crisis we can't afford to ignore. We always need to be looking at the long term, but if COVID becomes endemic -- as medical personnel are suggesting is likely -- then we need to start preparing for that now.

Thank you for your leadership in protecting Pasadena's most vulnerable residents during this time of uncertainty.

Respectfully,

Wes Reutimann

Martinez, Ruben

From: Stephanie Nitahara <snitah2@gmail.com>
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Stephanie Nitahara
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Harry Victor Schultz

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Respectfully,
Emily Miaou

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Respectfully,
Ellen Finkelparl
929 N. Oakland Ave.

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Respectfully,

Sarah Phillips
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Pasadena CA 91103

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Given our proximity to the center of the movie industry which has ground to a halt, and the fact that most workers in this field, and other contract workers are not on salary and therefore 100% out of pocket during these times, it is especially important that we do not ruin those workers lives and ruin our beautiful town by having them relocated to the streets of Pasadena. This goes for so many categories of workers including restaurant workers, hourly and freelance workers of every kind.

There are some landlords who have wanted to empty their homes but have been legally unable to do so with good paying tenants. If their tenants, victims of these situations, are unable to temporarily pay rent, this may be the perfect time for them to empty their home. Caltrans is one example of landlords who would add this to their toolbox of dirty tricks to get tenants out.

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Let's face it, if a landlord evicts a tenant during these times, the chances they will refill the tenancy is very low. The home will most likely sit empty and not earn income anyway, and there will be homeless people with no where to go but to tents underneath bridges and on public lands--which is where you see them all over the country already.

The city should help landlords in any way they can to weather this storm--by waiving property taxes and passing ordinances, if necessary, that prevent mortgage companies and banks from foreclosing on properties. Already there is much activity in this regard, both in the private sectors and in government, to protect property owners. They should not be the only ones receiving assistance.

Thank you for doing the right thing for both the tenants of Pasadena and for the city itself.

My best,

Nancy Webster
626-441-9669

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Thank you for your consideration and support of tenants in this urgent matter and for protecting our most vulnerable Pasadena residents. It is my hope that this important task will be considered with vision and courage.

Respectfully yours,
Larene Woo

Martinez, Ruben

From: Hannah Earnshaw <hannah.earnshaw@googlemail.com>
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Respectfully,

Hannah Earnshaw



California Apartment Association
Los Angeles County
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Los Angeles, CA 90071

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March 17, 2020

Mayor Tornek & City Council
City of Pasadena
100 North Garfield Avenue
Pasadena, California 91101

Dear Honorable Mayor and City Council:

On behalf of the California Apartment Association (CAA), I am writing to request that you work closely with housing organizations in these difficult times and on the current efforts to implement a city-wide emergency eviction moratorium. CAA understands that the coronavirus outbreak presents a health and financial crisis to all Californians. We are all in this together and any proposal must be carefully crafted to avoid a chain reaction that will make the situation worse.

Renters facing financial turmoil because of the coronavirus outbreak should not have to worry about keeping a roof over their heads. Any local action must consider that when rent goes unpaid, there's a domino effect. Without sustained and reliable rent payments, owners and operators, especially mom and pops, may be unable to pay their mortgages and other bills related to operations. When those bills go unpaid, more workers are out of jobs and face stress.

A ban on evicting tenants unable to pay the rent because of the coronavirus must be precisely crafted. We encourage the City to watch state actions closely as this is a statewide concern. We also urge you to consider:

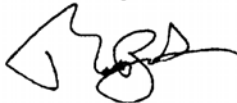
- When a tenant is opting into the moratorium program, they should provide documentation that their loss of income is directly related to the Covid-19 outbreak. The moratorium should only apply to non-payment of rent. All other lease violations should not be included.
- The moratorium should not be viewed as a rent waiver or rent forgiveness. It should be viewed as a deferral. Upon completion of the moratorium, a time period to pay the deferral should be instituted.
- It will not be a violation of the moratorium for housing providers to ask tenants to pay a minimum rent payment, such as 25 percent.

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- The tenant must provide notice to the property owner/manager of their intention to participate in the moratorium before the rent is due to allow the housing provider time to prepare for the loss in rent.
- The emergency period should be in 30-day intervals and reevaluated every 30 days. This is to ensure we're not extending emergency regulations when this crisis subsides.
- The city should send a strong message to other utility providers, financial institutions, and the County Assessor (Property Taxes) that they give ample latitude to housing providers who have residents unable to pay rent because of the emergency.
- The city must set aside funds to help all impacted residents and business including housing providers. Emergency funds must be made available to help everyone in these difficult times.

The coronavirus is everyone's problem. Let's find a consistent, equitable approach that will help the entire community, including small businesses and housing providers get through this difficult time while maintaining their health, their homes and their financial security. Thank you for your consideration during these uncertain times.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Matthew Buck', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Matthew Buck
California Apartment Association
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"Great Apartments Start Here!"

Danielle Leidner-Peretz
Director, Government Affairs &
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213.384.4131; Ext. 309

March 17, 2020

Via Electronic Mail

Hon. Mayor Tornek and Members of
the Pasadena City Council
Pasadena City Hall
100 North Garfield Avenue
Pasadena, California 91101

Re: Moratorium on Evictions for Non-Payment of Rent By Tenants Impacted By the COVID-19
Pandemic and Considerations to Reduce the Impacts to Residents and Local Businesses
(Agenda items 4 and 5)

Dear Hon. Mayor Tornek and Members of the Pasadena City Council:

We are experiencing a global pandemic that has necessitated government action at all levels to curtail further advancement of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and minimize the financial loss affecting a multitude of industries and the individuals whose livelihoods are depend on those industries. The Apartment Association of Greater Los Angeles (AAGLA) urges the City Council to take a holistic approach in recognition of the detrimental impacts of COVID-19 on the City's residents and businesses, all of whom need support during this most challenging time.

At today's special City Council meeting, the Council will be considering an ordinance placing a moratorium on evictions for non-payment of rent by residential and commercial renters impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The proposed ordinance would also prohibit "no-fault" evictions of residential renters unless it is necessary for health and safety purposes (Agenda Item 5). The Council will also be considering additional staff recommendations to assist residents and businesses affected by COVID-19 (Agenda Item 4).

As the Council contemplates the adoption of the eviction moratorium ordinance, we urge the Council to provide specific parameters relative to the moratorium to facilitate renters and rental housing providers understanding of their rights and responsibilities. We urge the Council to require that renters provide rental housing providers with written notice of their inability to pay the rent as soon as the circumstances set forth in the ordinance arises, so that rental housing providers can make financial adjustments, if and where possible, to account for the loss in rental revenue. Of equal importance, renters should be required to provide specific, verifiable supporting employment or medical documentation reflecting that their loss of income is directly related to COVID-19. Further,

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rental housing providers should be permitted to request and accept partial rental payments from renters without modification of lease agreements or limitation on their ability to later seek payment of unpaid rent . As the pandemic and related government interventions are continuously evolving, we urge the City Council to set an emergency moratorium period of 30 days with the option to extend the moratorium as necessary.

The Apartment Association of Greater Los Angeles (AAGLA) represents thousands small rental housing providers, many of whom own properties in the City of Pasadena and provide housing to city residents. Many of our members are retirees who rely on the modest rental income they receive to support themselves and maintain the building for their renters. During these extremely difficult times, rental housing providers are instituting more frequent and stringent building cleaning protocols in promotion of the health and safety of both residents and others entering their building which adds to their maintenance costs and makes it more challenging to pay for their other financial obligations associated with rental property ownership including mortgage payments, property taxes, liability insurance, and contracts with service providers and vendors.

Deferred payment of rent has sweeping financial implications on not just the multifamily rental housing industry but also the small businesses that they support. It is important to emphasize that eviction moratoriums will not replace a renter's lost wages or cover the cost of food, medical prescriptions and related essentials.

The Association appreciates the Council's consideration of additional measures to alleviate the financial stress associated with COVID-19 through the suspension of all late fees and penalties on municipal services, suspension of all utility shut-off for all customers due to non-payment and suspension of parking related requirements. Nevertheless, the most direct and impactful way to assist residents and businesses alike is through the establishment of emergency financial assistance. It is critical that the City Council establish an emergency assistance fund to provide essential financial support to all impacted residents and businesses struggling during these uncertain and turbulent times. We also urge the Council to direct financial institutions and lenders to extend grace periods, offer deferred payment plans and provide interim relief to rental housing providers who have reduced rental income resulting from local emergencies.

During this pandemic, it is essential that we all work together to develop effective and balanced solutions that serve to assist all those impacted and not simply shift the financial burden from one group to another. Thank you for your time and consideration of these matters. If you have any questions, please call me at (213) 384-4131; Ext. 309 or contact me via electronic mail at danielle@aagla.org.

Very truly yours,

Danielle Leidner-Peretz

Martinez, Ruben

Subject: FW: Proposed Eviction Moratorium

From: Laura Olhasso <Laura@pfar.org>
Date: March 17, 2020 at 9:21:25 AM PDT
To: "Jomsky, Mark" <mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net>
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Subject: Proposed Eviction Moratorium

Dear Members of the Pasadena City Council:

The Pasadena-Foothills Association of Realtors is in opposition to today's proposal for a moratorium on evictions for non-payment of rent due to COVID-19 impacts. This proposal is wrong on many fronts.

1. ***Due to the so-called 'emergency' nature of the proposal, no one has seen the language of the moratorium nor has the public had the opportunity to discuss and vet.*** How can you possibly approve a first hearing when the language is not even written? What does 'impacted by COVID-19' mean? How will an apartment owner know if his tenant's income is truly impacted by the virus or if he just doesn't want to pay rent? For how long would the tenant be able to live in the unit without payment of rent? How long will the moratorium last?
2. The Governor has spoken about potential state legislation to deal with this issue. ***You have no need to move so quickly and precipitously.***
3. Apartment owners have monthly bills due as well. Without rental income, how does an apartment owner pay his mortgage, property taxes, keep the lights and heat on, and pay for water?

We urge you to slow down. Think this out. Please do not pass this ordinance today.

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Sincerely,
Laura Olhasso
Government Affairs Director
Pasadena-Foothills Association of Realtors

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From: Matthew Rudolph <matthewlrudolph@gmail.com>
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To: Public Comment

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I would like to ask if the city will suspend evictions for construction taking place. My home is going to be demolished and the owner's want to possibly evict me as of May 1.

Matthew Rudolph
Pasadena

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From: Annie Rak <annie1rak@gmail.com>
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Subject: Eviction moratorium is necessary!!

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Annie Rak

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From: Sean Pike <seanpike@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 11:08 AM
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Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Landlords reap large sums of money from their properties each month of every year while still being able to work full time jobs. In stark contrast, tenants must forfeit much of their paycheck — usually their sole source of income — to their landlords each month. With this fact in mind, it is unconscionable that tenants should bear the brunt of this unprecedented crisis. Landlords *must* be willing to part, if only for a short time, with some profit in order to protect our communities.

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Respectfully,

Sean Pike

Martinez, Ruben

From: Roxanne Pipkin Tamayo <roxanne.pipkin@gmail.com>
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Respectfully,

Roxanne Pipkin Tamayo
Pronouns: she, her, hers
roxanne.pipkin@gmail.com
626-429-1289

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From: Petrea Burchard <pb@petreaburchard.com>
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Subject: COVID-19

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Dear Council members,

Thank you for meeting today. I appreciate you all so much and I'm grateful for your leadership.

Please ratify Mr. Mermel's state of emergency declaration.

Please institute a moratorium on evictions for non-payment of rent until further notice. We don't need any more people living on the streets and vulnerable to COVID-19.

Please do whatever you can to protect our local small businesses.

I've been shocked at the panic-buying, and surprised people weren't better prepared for an emergency, considering we live in an earthquake zone. I don't know what we can do to better prepare the people (I know the city is prepared), but we'd better start thinking about it.

Take good care of yourselves!

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Petrea Burchard Sandel
District 3, Pasadena
626-253-1441

Martinez, Ruben

From: Sidney Kirkpatrick <sidneykirkpatrick@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 11:18 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Respectfully,

Sidney Kirkpatrick

Martinez, Ruben

From: Silverman, Shaelyn N. <ssilverman@caltech.edu>
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Respectfully,
Shaelyn Silverman



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March 16, 2020

RE: March 17, 2020 Pasadena City Council Meeting Agenda Item #5

Dear Honorable Mayor Tornek and Members of the Pasadena City Council:

In light of the rapidly escalating crisis around the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and the heightened risk that our homeless and housing insecure neighbors are exposed to, All Saints Church joins the members of the Pasadena Tenants Union in urging that the City of Pasadena, in line with other cities such as Santa Monica, San Jose, San Francisco, and New York City, carry out the following measures in an emergency ordinance to ensure the safety and health of tenants in Pasadena, and the entire city, which are at risk from the spread of the virus.

Moratorium on evictions. We support a sweeping moratorium against the eviction of any tenant in the City of Pasadena for the duration of this crisis. This moratorium must have universal application and must not require burden of proof by tenants. This moratorium must be drafted to include the following stipulations:

- Landlords must be barred from filing unlawful detainer cases in the Los Angeles Superior Court system during and for a period following the moratorium.
- Service of an eviction notice during the moratorium period by the landlord, as well as the filing of an unlawful detainer case during the moratorium period, shall be complete defenses to an unlawful detainer case.
- All unlawful detainer cases in which there is not yet a final judgment, must be stayed or dismissed. Trial shall not be held, and neither a judge nor any clerk of the court shall enter judgment against any defendant, or issue any writ of execution.
- Execution of any judgment for plaintiff in an unlawful detainer case, regardless of when entered, shall be stayed until 180 days after the end of the moratorium. The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department shall be restrained from evicting any occupant until 180 days after the end of the moratorium.
- No tenant, at any time, shall be evicted for nonpayment of rent, late charges, or any other fees or charges accrued during the moratorium, or during a period thereafter.

Moratorium on utility shutoffs. We support a moratorium on the shutoff of utilities for residences and businesses for the duration of this crisis. As many residents are encouraged by public health experts to stay at home during this crisis, access to power and water is critical to resident and community safety.

Allowing for Partial Payment and Forgiveness of Late Rents. We support an effort that allows for tenants to pay partial payment on their rent, as well as forgiveness of late rent payments to landlords, for the duration of this crisis.

Rent Freeze and Ban on Late fees. We support an effort that allows for rents to be frozen and late fees to be banned for the duration of this crisis. To promote housing stability, during the period of the eviction moratorium, and for a period thereafter, the City of Pasadena should:

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- Prohibit landlords from charging any late fee to tenants or requiring, in order to avoid the rent freeze or raise the rent, that any tenant sign a new lease.
- The landlord's charging of a late fee to a tenant, increasing rent during this time, or requiring, as a way to avoid the rent freeze or raise the rent, that a tenant sign a new lease, shall each be a complete defense to any unlawful detainer case the landlord files thereafter regarding this tenancy.
- Establish clear and effective enforcement procedures to ensure that landlords are complying with the rent freeze provisions and tenants are aware of and able to exercise their rights under the rent freeze.
- Fully fund tenant outreach and education, and establish a tenant hotline to report violations of the eviction moratorium or rent freeze.
- Landlords shall be required to extend all expiring leases until 120 days after the end of the eviction moratorium. Failure to extend a lease in this manner shall be a complete defense to an unlawful detainer case.

Emergency Rental Assistance. We support that the City of Pasadena ensure rental assistance is available after the eviction moratorium expires, so as to alleviate burdens on low-income tenants (predicating the landlord's compliance with all health, safety, and habitability laws).

Enforcement and Outreach. We support an effort that empowers the City Attorney with the authority to impose penalties if landlords do not inform tenants of their rights under these provisions. The City of Pasadena shall also fund outreach by community-based organizations to tenants, and provide a complaint hotline to tenants. The City shall fund sufficient staffing to ensure timely enforcement of tenants' rights.

Homeowner Assistance. We support protecting low-income homeowners at risk of default and financial distress through assistance programs that achieve the following:

- Halt mortgage payments for individuals suffering economic hardship during the COVID-19 crisis.
- Establish a mortgage assistance fund for all low-income homeowners.
- Establish a moratorium on trustee's sales, recordation of notices of default, and evictions of people who are post-trustee's sale of their homes, but have yet to move out.
- Work with State and County agencies to suspend collection from low-income homeowners of property tax assessments made through the Property Assessed Clean Energy" (PACE) loans and other home improvement and clean energy loan programs.

I thank you for your leadership in proactively protecting Pasadena's most vulnerable residents and doing all that you can to ensure the City helps stop the spread of COVID-19 during this critical time in our community, state and nation. These efforts, once enacted, will prevent families and individuals from falling into homelessness and mitigate the public health crisis.

Sincerely,

Rev. Mike Kinman
Rector

cc: Michelle Bagneris, City Attorney
Mark Jomsky, City Clerk
Steve Mermell, City Manager

Martinez, Ruben

From: Tera Klein <pastortera@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 11:36 AM
To: Public Comment
Cc: Jonathan D. Klein
Subject: public comment: pass an eviction moratorium

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To City Council,

As a Minister serving the Pasadena community, I strongly urge you to pass a moratorium on evictions in this city, joining other municipalities in recognizing the importance of ensuring that people are able to stay in their homes:

1. Pasadena can has the opportunity to rise to the moral challenges of this era; evictions devastate both the body and spirit of our community, but city government's role is to protect the most endangered citizens within its borders. A moratorium is a morally correct action to take at this time to protect our communities both from physical danger and from emotional despair.
2. Evictions at this time of economic calamity likely will result in homelessness, and living on the streets means an added strain on City employees who are already overwhelmed by the needs.
3. For the sake of public health, we want as many people sequestered into their own spaces, not mixing with others; evictions will easily spread the Coronavirus to more people, thereby endangering all of us.
4. This pandemic is unlikely to end soon; a moratorium buys time for people to put their lives together, while the alternative is to create despair that will also lead to increased suffering on so many levels, some of which can only be imagined.

I pastor a congregation that is doing all it can to create its own safety net and spiritual connecting with an absolute commitment to social distancing; the impact of an economic downturn is that landlords and building owners may inadvertently not realize just how fragile life is for their tenants, especially in comparison to their own fortunes. While their financial anxieties are real, so are the conditions that those living paycheck to paycheck endure daily. With compassion for all, we must societally set a floor for how difficult it can get for those most in the margins, and that means that those not in those margins are obligated to take stock of the blessings they have and maintain the social contract with their tenants, a sacrifice for a greater good. A short-term moratorium on evictions as an emergency measure is precisely how we as Pasadenans can show compassion for those in need during this difficult time.

Thank you!

Rev. Tera Klein
Minister, Throop Unitarian Universalist (Del Mar and Los Robles)

May your day be filled with faith, love, and purpose,
Rev. Tera Klein
pastortera@me.com
Pronouns: She/Her/Hers
To set up an appointment, visit <https://calendly.com/pastortera>

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Martinez, Ruben

From: M33 <metropolis33@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 11:36 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: SUSPENSION OF RENT FOR PASADENA RENTERS

Importance: High

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Dear Pasadena City Council,

I implore you to immediately make effective a **SUSPENSION OF RENT** for residential renters, implementing a **MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS** alone, like the city of Los Angeles did is **NOT EFFECTIVE**, it will only result in an influx of evictions after the moratorium expires based on the accrued rent due during the moratorium, it makes NO sense at all and does not protect renters from losing their homes.

We were in economically uncertain times before COVID-19, and now there are thousands of new families at risk of being thrown into homelessness. You have the power to circumvent this catastrophe and protect people's homes during this unprecedented event. Please help! The renters of Pasadena need this immediate relief.

Albert S.
Pasadena Resident

Martinez, Ruben

From: Sagman, Nathaniel L. <nsagman@caltech.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 11:45 AM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Respectfully,

Nathaniel Sagman

Jomsky, Mark

From: Porras, Susana
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:22 AM
To: Jomsky, Mark
Subject: FW: Please Pass the Eviction Moratorium Now

-----Original Message-----

From: Dan Huynh <bleuroses@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 7:38 AM
To: Public Comment <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>; Kennedy, John <JohnJKennedy@cityofpasadena.net>; Porras, Susana <sporras@cityofpasadena.net>
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Dan Huynh
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Jomsky, Mark

Subject: FW: Proposed Eviction Moratorium

From: Laura Olhasso

Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 8:43 AM

To: Terry Tornek <ttornek@gmail.com>; thampton@cityofpasadena.net <thampton@cityofpasadena.net>; jkennedy@cityofpasadena.net <jkennedy@cityofpasadena.net>; gmasuda@cityofpasadena.net <gmasuda@cityofpasadena.net>; mmcaustin@cityofpasadena.net <mmcaustin@cityofpasadena.net>; Madison, Steve <smadison@cityofpasadena.net>; Wilson, Andy <awilson@cityofpasadena.net>; Gordo, Victor <vgordo@cityofpasadena.net>

Subject: Proposed Eviction Moratorium

Dear Members of the Pasadena City Council:

The Pasadena-Foothills Association of Realtors is in opposition to today's proposal for a moratorium on evictions for non-payment of rent due to COVID-19 impacts. This proposal is wrong on many fronts.

1. ***Due to the so-called 'emergency' nature of the proposal, no one has seen the language of the moratorium nor has the public had the opportunity to discuss and vet.*** How can you possibly approve a first hearing when the language is not even written? What does 'impacted by COVID-19' mean? How will an apartment owner know if his tenant's income is truly impacted by the virus or if he just doesn't want to pay rent? For how long would the tenant be able to live in the unit without payment of rent? How long will the moratorium last?
2. The Governor has spoken about potential state legislation to deal with this issue. ***You have no need to move so quickly and precipitously.***
3. Apartment owners have monthly bills due as well. Without rental income, how does an apartment owner pay his mortgage, property taxes, keep the lights and heat on, and pay for water?

We urge you to slow down. Think this out. Please do not pass this ordinance today.

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Sincerely,

Laura Olhasso

Government Affairs Director

Pasadena-Foothills Association of Realtors

Jomsky, Mark

From: Bin Lee <bin@imaginebin.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:28 AM
To: Tornek, Terry; Hampton, Tyron; Jomsky, Mark; Bell, Cushon
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Dear Mayor and Council Members,

I'm a homeowner in District 1 and I strongly support the "Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic."

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Lastly, on a semi-related note: in the event that public restrooms (in our parks etc) are closed due to coronavirus impacts, I strongly urge the city provide portable restrooms, so that folks who are unhoused still have somewhere to go to relieve themselves and stay clean. They are already vulnerable to the outbreak, and stigmatizing them further is inhumane during this crisis.

Thank you for your consideration and support of our fellow Pasadenans in this urgent matter. Uncertain times require vision and bravery.

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Bin Lee

March 16, 2020

To: Mayor Terry Tornek
Councilmember Tyron Hampton
Councilmember Margaret McAustin
Councilmember John Kennedy
Councilmember Gene Masuda
Councilmember Victor Gordo
Councilmember Steve Madison
Councilmember Andy Wilson
City Attorney Michele Bagneris

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From: Union Station Homeless Services

RE: City of Pasadena COVID-19 and Other Declared Public Health Emergencies
Eviction Moratorium and Tenant Protections

Like all Californians, Pasadena tenants are being economically impacted by coronavirus. Tenants, facing a loss of wages due to their own illness, care of an immediate family member, or a reduction in the quantity or availability of their work should not have to face eviction for non-payment or late payment of rent.

We at Union Station Homeless Services support and encourage an immediate eviction moratorium for tenants in Pasadena for the duration of this public health crisis. We support reasonable accommodation, at the conclusion of the crisis, for tenants to pay any back rent due. This moratorium should additionally extend to all tenants, regardless of their immigration status, where they are in the Unlawful Detainer process, or their type of work (including informal or gig employment). Noting that many tenants in Pasadena may be currently un- or under-insured, tenants should not face an undue burden to produce medical documents when fighting a coronavirus related eviction. Further to this, requiring proof of a direct causal effect of COVID-19 may exclude individuals indirectly affected by the secondary and tertiary economic effects of the health crisis. For instance, workers who cannot find jobs due to the economic downturn may not be able to prove a causal connection—yet that does not change the fact that they cannot afford to pay their rent.

In light of the rapidly escalating crisis around the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and the heightened risk that our homeless and housing insecure neighbors are exposed to, Union Station Homeless Services strongly supports and urges the City of Pasadena, in line with other cities such as Santa Monica, San Jose, San Francisco, and New York City, to carry out the following measures to ensure the safety and health of, not only the tenants of Pasadena, but the entire city which is at risk from the spread of the virus.

Pasadena's leading the way in passing these resolutions in the San Gabriel Valley, sends a strong message to our neighboring cities that they too, should do the same.

No tenant should have to choose between their health and paying their rent.

Thank you always, for the leadership, guidance and governance you provide the City of Pasadena.

Sincerely,

Anne Miskey

CEO
Union Station Homeless Services



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Jomsky, Mark

From: MacArdle, Siobhan G. <smacardl@caltech.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 12:00 PM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Respectfully,

Siobhán MacArdle

PhD Candidate, Caltech Chemistry
siobhan@caltech.edu

Jomsky, Mark

From: M33 <metropolis33@me.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 12:13 PM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Fwd: SUSPENSION OF RENT FOR PASADENA RENTERS

Importance: High

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Dear Pasadena City Council,

This city has an opportunity to set an example for the rest of the country. I respectfully propose the filling changes and additions to the ordinance;

1. That there is NO burden of proof required on the tenant, it is reasonable to understand that EVERYONE, without exception will be impacted by COVID-19.
2. That the unpaid rent during the moratorium is forgiven or the tenant will be left with the insurmountable economic strain of potentially weeks or months of rent due, which will only result in an eviction for unpaid rent six months later.

As it is currently written, it does not protect renters from landlords and their attorneys. It only defers the rent to an even more difficult economic time as we attempt to recover from the lost income, business, etc.

PLEASE HELP!

Albert S.

Reese, Latasha

From: Kahlil Ford <kahlil.ford@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 12:31 PM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium

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Dear mayor and city council,

My name is Kahlil Ford and I currently own a home in Tyrone Hampton's district. In light of current events, it is important that we pull together to help the most vulnerable members of our community. To that end, I would implore you to pass the emergency eviction moratorium so that we do not further exacerbate our homelessness problem. I would also urge you to apply the ordinance to all evictions and to require landlords to accept partial rent payments.

Thanks,
Kahlil Ford

Jomsky, Mark

From: milanroberson@gmail.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 12:48 PM
To: Public Comment
Subject: Eviction Moratorium NOW

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Respectfully,
Milan Roberson

Affordable Housing Services

1516 Navarro Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91103

March 17, 2020

Mayor Terry Tornek
Members of City Council
City of Pasadena
100 North Garfield
Pasadena, CA 91101

Re: Item #5 - Eviction Moratorium

Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council:

I am the Executive Director of Affordable Housing Services (AHS), a provider of housing for low and extremely low income individuals and families. We have tenants who were recently laid off or fired. Although some are aware that they were let go in reaction to the current Corona virus; others are part time workers who were simply not called back in to work. Neither group members are aware when, or if, they will be re-employed.

Pursuant to our mission, AHS works with all of its tenants to avoid evictions, having these renters experience homelessness or having the credit besmirched. Not all for profit, market rate housing providers do not share these goals. If the Council fails to adopt an appropriate moratorium on **all** residential evictions and foreclosures for at least 30 days during the COVID- related crisis, then especially low income renters will be put at undue risk and suffer disproportionate harm.

Placing tenants at risk of eviction also jeopardizes the public, for evicted tenants will lose access to basic hygiene. In addition, failing to provide adequate protections puts renters, landlords and court workers in jeopardy by requiring tenants to appear in landlord-tenant court. Mechanisms, like video-conferencing, creates barriers for low income tenants, who often do not have access to the expensive technology.

AHS believes an expansive, clear cut moratorium should include the following components:

1. The moratorium should last at least 30 days, as long as the City's emergency declaration or State's declaration, whichever is longest. At least the first 30 days should not be conditioned upon the renter showing that his/her non-payment of rent is related to present emergency; thereafter the renter should be given the opportunity to show a connection and the standard of proof should be expansive and flexible;

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2. A prohibition against the imposition of late fees for the length of the moratorium;
3. A moratorium on adverse Housing Department/Housing Authority decisions, including a postponement of recertifications and a continuation of deadlines for documents, etc. and a postponement of important meetings;
4. The creation of a fund to provide financial support for affordable housing providers and those landlords housing low and moderate income tenants who report that they are unable to pay rent because of the present emergency;
5. A requirement that all landlords and mortgage holders work with tenants and homeowners who are suffering economically due to the pandemic and a requirement that those owed income work with debtors to come current;
6. A requirement that leases that expire during the emergency be extended by landlords at least 90 days after the end of the emergency declaration;
7. The City work with the courts and the Sheriff's Department to postpone writs of possession and lockouts not directly related to a protective order, *e.g.*, temporary restraining orders related to domestic violence, elder abuse or child abuse;
8. The City direct its provider to postpone all utility cutoffs and refrain from imposing late fees for **all** customers for the duration of the emergency and to be flexible with customers thereafter in eliminating arrearages after the emergency is over. The City work with other utility providers to achieve these ends; and
9. The City encouraging the courts to continue all non-emergency proceedings, including unlawful detainers; the City should use its good offices to prevent courts from conditioning continuances upon the payment of rent in the interim;

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle White
Executive Director

Novelo, Lilia

From: Jennifer Le <leberrybd@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 4:23 PM
To: paul@pasadena-chamber.org; City_Council
Cc: Raynard Ledford - Leberry; Jomsky, Mark; Mermell, Steve; Public Comment
Subject: FW: COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus information and more for march 17, 2020

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RE: Compassion During Urgent Situation by Granting 3-Month Rent Abatement

Dear Mr. Paul Little and the Members of Pasadena Chamber of Commerce,

Raynard and I hope you and your families are **healthy and safe** in the midst of international chaos related to COVID-19 pandemic. On behalf of Leberry Bakery, we would like to call your attention to an urgent matter that requires your **full compassion and support**. Small businesses in Pasadena, like ours, are financially suffering tremendously for the following reasons:

- 1) Lack of foot traffic**
- 2) Current rain condition**
- 3) COVID-19**

As you may be aware, tourism to Pasadena has decreased by 70% and the mandated restriction due to COVID-19 has been a hard hit financially for our, especially those involving food and non-essential entities. Not only owners and their families are suffering financially from the lack of business for the above reasons #1-3, our employees are also at stake for losing their jobs due to lack of owner ability to pay wages and rent. As it is essential to continue to keep the economy strong especially during this COVID-19 pandemic, we need your urgent contribution now to support our owner-operated small business. In particular, we are seeking a **3-month rent abatement** as this will at least allow us to continue to pay our employees, lease, and remain open, which is essential for food businesses since food supplies at markets are exponentially declining and at times unavailable. Notably, as a food business entity, we have direct access to food wholesalers, allowing an alternative pathway to bring food supply to the public. As such and on behalf of Leberry Bakery, we deeply appreciate your consideration of our plea for support of a **3-month rent abatement** to recover this financial challenge that we are currently facing.

Please continue to remain healthy and safe, including yourselves and loved ones. As I am a practicing pharmacist by day, please address any questions or concerns you may have regarding coronavirus.

Respectfully Submitted,
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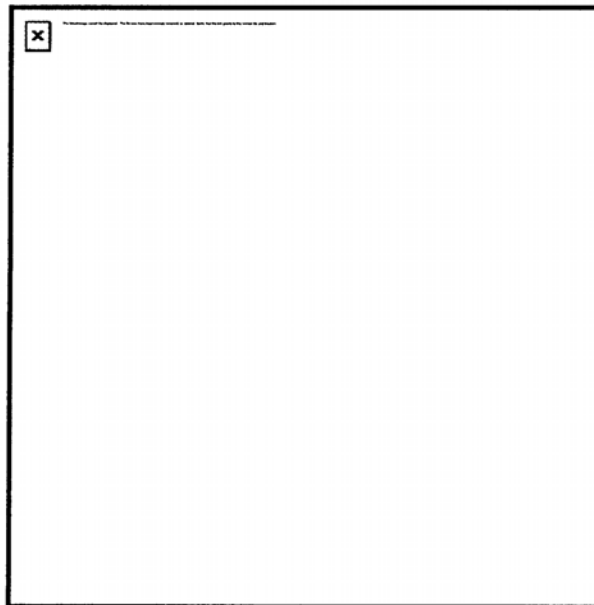
From: Paul Little - Pasadena Chamber of Commerce <paul@pasadena-chamber.org>

Date: Tue, Mar 17, 2020, 12:30 PM

Subject: UPDATE: COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus information and more for march 17, 2020

To: Jennifer Le <leberrypasadena@gmail.com>

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Here is an update on local impacts of the COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus:

FIRST: If you have information about your business you would like to share via our email and social media channels, please email paul@pasadena-chamber.org. We can relay information on your hours of operation, delivery options, closures, and more to your customers and fellow business people.

The Pasadena City Council is holding a meeting this evening related to the COVID-19 outbreak. One subject of discussion is supposed to be measures the City could take to help businesses survive the crisis. You can make your ideas heard by emailing city_council@cityofpasadena.net, please cc: mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net, smermell@cityofpasadena.net and publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net. [Click here to email them with your thoughts on what the City of Pasadena can do to support their business community and workers during this crisis.](#)

As of this writing, restaurants, bars, lounges, yoga studios and fitness gyms have been ordered closed to the public by the City Manager to help contain the spread of the Coronavirus.

Restaurants are still offering delivery and take-out service. Please support them by ordering food or buying a gift card. Many retailers are also offering curbside pick-up. Check with your favorites to see if they are still open. Support them as well by purchasing gift cards.

The Pasadena Chamber of Commerce has already suggested steps the City of Pasadena could take to help our community withstand this crisis. Here is what we suggested yesterday in an email to the Council and City Manager:

- Good morning Pasadena City Council.

Thank you for sending this information and taking the steps you are taking to safeguard our neighbors, friends and families. This is extraordinary and I know the closure orders were not taken lightly.

The COVID-19 outbreak has already had a significant impact on local businesses,

many of which have seen significant drops in income already. The closure order will further impact their livelihood and ability to pay staff-as necessary as the order is and justified to face the outbreak and ensure the health and safety of all of us.

Is the City of Pasadena considering taking any measures to help your local business community weather the outbreak and continue in business once restrictions are lifted?

These are extraordinary times and, as your materials have referenced repeatedly, we are all in this together.

Are you taking steps to ensure businesses that are closed or have hours or service curtailed to help ensure the health of the public can withstand the closures and reopen when it is safe to do so? Likewise, are you taking steps to make sure employees who will not be getting paid for much of the closure period are not negatively impacted?

Can I make a few suggestions for measures that come to mind immediately:

- Issue an order ceasing evictions of any person or family who cannot pay rent because their job is suspended and income curtailed.
- Cease billing retail and restaurant businesses for utilities and user taxes until one month after any closure orders are lifted.
- Encourage landlords to suspend rent payments while retail and restaurant tenants are unable to conduct business as usual.
- Cease parking enforcement in business districts.
- Provide a grant or no-cost loan fund that local businesses can access for emergency funds that may be needed for them to remain open. Provide a similar but separate fund for those employees and their families so they can purchase necessities such as food while they may not be collecting paychecks.
- Provide cost-free inspections and building permits for businesses that may choose to do capital improvements, expansions or other work while their businesses are essentially on hiatus. Fast track any approvals required so no permit takes longer than 5 business days to process.

- Rebate health, fire or other inspection fees paid by restaurants and retailers in the past year and cease any inspection fees going forward until one month after the crisis is abated.
- Suspend take-out prohibitions related to alcohol sales so that a person who orders food can also get beer, wine or a cocktail with that to-go order.

Thank you. I know you are acting in the best interests of all of us and I am always available to assist in any way I can.

Good luck as this crisis evolves.

Paul

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Here is updated information and resources that may assist you, your business and your employees:

1. If you are concerned about paying your rent, please contact your property manager or landlord and discuss with them directly. Most that I have been in touch with are more than sympathetic. They are afraid of massive closures and a skyrocketing vacancy rate as the crisis continues. Most will likely be willing to talk with your about reduced, deferred or forgiven rent payments during this time of need.

2. You are also invited to join a live webinar from the Los Angeles Regional Small Business Development Center:

COVID-19: What Small Business Owners Should Do Now,

Thursday March 19th @ 10AM. Registration

required: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/599448647397791235?source=web>

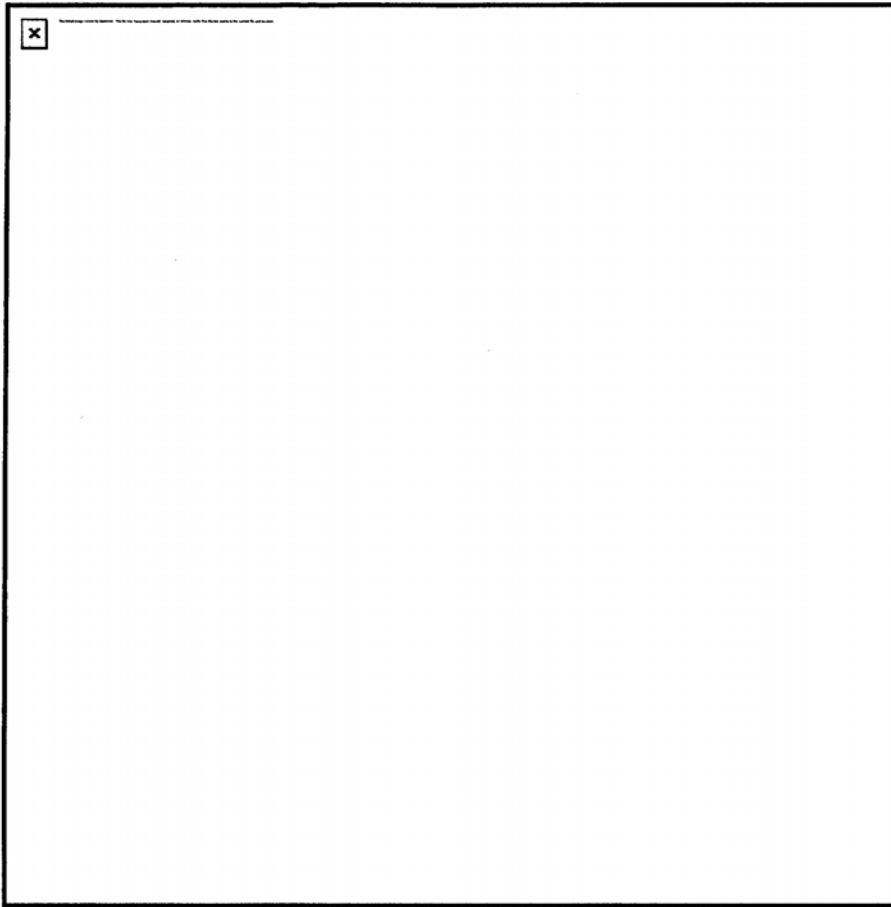
3. As of this morning there are two reported cases of Coronavirus infection in Pasadena.

4. **Small Business Assistance Disaster Loans Now Being Processed.** The application link is now open for any California businesses to apply for a disaster loan related to economic damage from the COVID-19 health crisis. Businesses are encouraged to apply early. For information about the 3-Step Process, the SBA provides a helpful overview found [here](#). You can find the link to the Long Term Disaster Loan Application [here](#).

5. Here are some helpful links:

- [City of Pasadena Novel Coronavirus page:](#)
- [Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Information Page & Business Toolkit](#)
- [Center for Disease Control and Prevention Novel Coronavirus page](#)
- [Center for Disease Control Guidelines for Workplace, Home & School](#)
- [Before travelling, please visit the Department of State Travel Advisory page](#)
- [Please call 211, the LA County hotline, for any health and human services needs.](#)

6. The Chamber is conducting a social media and email campaign to help maintain customers for your business and services. Feel free to tag us at Pasadena Chamber and/or Pasadena Restaurant Week on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram. We are also using this graphic that was created a few years ago by Melanie at Lavender & Honey Espresso (who are open for take-out business). Feel free to copy and use with the hashtag #shoppasadena.



Good luck and let us know if we can be of any assistance at all.

Our offices remain open with minimal staff. We are not taking face-to-face meetings or walk-ins at this time. You can call us at 626-705-3355 for anything at all we can help with.

All the best. Be well and safe.

Paul Little
President and CEO





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Dear Mayor and members of City Council,

Greetings.

I am a resident of Pasadena and am contacting you today regarding the “Uncodified Ordinance Enacting a Moratorium on Eviction for Nonpayment of Rent by the Tenants Impacted by COVID-19 Pandemic.” These are unprecedented times in our city, our country, and our globe. If we do not act, many of Pasadena’s most vulnerable tenants, such as restaurant workers, gig/freelance/1099 workers (of which I am a part), and contract workers will lose their homes.

I write to urge you to pass this emergency eviction moratorium as a stabilizing response to the COVID19 public health emergency, as many other cities across the country have done.

Importantly, I urge you to modify the proposed ordinance with these changes:

1. The moratorium must apply to all evictions, and should not require that tenants demonstrate COVID-19-related losses. As written now, the ordinance places a major burden of proof upon the tenant and a major burden of verification upon the city government.
2. Landlords must be required to accept partial payment of rent and forgive unpaid rent for the duration of this emergency period. Otherwise, recovering back rent will be highly burdensome if not impossible for most tenants.

Thank you for your consideration and support of tenants in this urgent matter. Uncertain times require vision and bravery.

Sincerely,
Lynndi Scott

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