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Name Teresa Eilers

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Meeting Date May 4, 2020

Agenda Item Number 16

Comments My name is Teresa Eilers and I am the West San Gabriel Valley organizer with the United Way's Everyone In campaign. Thank you for listening to the public and strengthening Pasadena's eviction moratorium ordinance. Your original eviction ordinance was good. But, the County's ordinance is better. Thanks for listening to tenants and housing experts and taking the leadership to improve Pasadena's ordinance. I urge you to support this item.

We do not know how long COVID-19 will last. And, we do not know if, or when a second or third or fourth wave of COVID-19 will hit Pasadena. Strengthening Pasadena's eviction moratorium ordinance is a proven tool to prevent additional homelessness. It is vastly cheaper to keep people in their homes and prevent homelessness compared to providing the services and housing needed to someone after someone they have fallen into homelessness.

I ask the Council to also consider adding a provision prohibiting rent increases for residential units until the proposed ordinance ends. And, I also encourage the Council to create a rental assistance program to help renters and landlords alike.

Thank you for your time.

I consent to have my comment read out Yes

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Name	David Chavez
City	Pasadena
State	CA
Zip Code	91103
Meeting Date	May 4, 2020
Agenda Item Number	17
Comments	<p>I write in support of item 17, extending the county's protections to Pasadena tenants. The additional changes for extending repayment for up to 12 months and self certification sends the right message to the most vulnerable community members who have had their jobs impacted by this pandemic. This a great step to ensure that this pandemic does not further break up historic renters, shrink the PUSD student population, or further increase gentrification.</p> <p>I would like to highly encourage the council ensure that both renters and owners of housing and commercial property receive this new information in as many ways as possible. There are stories throughout California of intimidation by owners which is reprehensible in these times.</p> <p>Finally I want to encourage the Council to find ways to discuss in future meeting and champion rent/mortgage forgiveness. This city should not close the door on renter assistance today but continue to find creative and long-term solutions to aid the Pasadena Community.</p>
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Name	Juliana Serrano
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City	Pasadena
State	CA
Zip Code	91101
Meeting Date	May 4, 2020
Agenda Item Number	16/17
Comments	<p>I write in support of items 16/17 which would extend LA County’s tenant protection measures to Pasadena tenants. Early on, many of us identified the challenges with requiring tenants provide documentation (or proof) of financial hardship to their landlords. The self certification provision is a welcome change to our ordinance. I also appreciate the extension of rent repayment to 12 months, as opposed to 6 months, which is much more just considering the economic stress on tenants will exceed the immediate future. I also support encouraging landlords to receive partial payments from tenants. I urge you to please do more to communicate with the public about this eviction moratorium - its legal protections for tenants and limitations to landlords. These communication measures should include, but not be limited to: 1) the City's mailed newsletter; 2) council member emails to district constituents; 3) posts on KPAS; and 4) use of City social media accounts. In the weeks since the eviction moratorium was enacted, we have seen incidents of landlord threats and harassment to tenants unable to pay rent, and undue stress on tenants. This is unacceptable and we can work together to do better in this crisis. Thank you.</p>
I consent to have my comment read out loud during the meeting.	Yes
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Meeting Date May 4, 2020

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Comments

Dear Council members.

I am a public school teacher. My parents and I rent a few condominiums to support our retirement and children's college. We are alarmed at the proposed "Eviction Moratorium". This bill would create severe hardships for already struggling small, "mom and pop" housing providers like us. It would extend the current repayment period for past-due rent from six (6) months of the expiration of the local emergency to twelve (12) months. It would also prohibit owners from imposing any new pass-throughs or charging interest or late fees for unpaid rent during the moratorium period.

It would also halt the already lengthy eviction process for nuisance tenants, including tenants who may be conducting criminal activities at a property or are disturbing the quiet enjoyment of a property for other residents.

We, on the other hand, still have all our expenses: utilities, insurance (home, fire, EQ), HOA dues, maintenance, taxes, mortgages.

If anti-housing measures continue, people like us will have to sell out, taking our units off the market. This REDUCES the affordable housing available.

Please instead establish an emergency rental assistance fund to provide essential financial support to all affected residents struggling during these uncertain and turbulent times.

Please vote NO on the Pasadena proposed Eviction Moratorium.

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City	ARCADIA
State	California
Zip Code	91006
Meeting Date	May 4, 2020
Agenda Item Number	17
Comments	<p>Landlord also has his or her responsibilities and mortgage payments, maintenance cost, repairs expenses. Not to mention about insurance and property taxes which none of them can be paid 6 months later. Not even a day late. We already barely can survive the 6 months late rent payments without getting a private loan. Now, if city extended to 12 months, we might just file bankruptcy. How city will benefit from most landlords file bankruptcy? If Pasadena city extended to 12 months, landlords really could not keep up the buildings without the rent money for 12 months. The appearance of buildings in the Pasadena will be bad. I hope that city take consideration of the survival of landlords. For closer of buildings all over the city, it will not be good for the Covid 19 economy recovery. Please think about the future of Pasadena.</p>
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Meeting Date May 4, 2020

Agenda Item Number 17

Comments My name is Jaylynn Bailey and I've lived in District 5 for 6 years. Thank you for considering these stronger protections for tenants in AR 17. I truly appreciate it. I need it, as do many others. Please consider keeping the language of the original eviction moratorium that you passed on March 17, 2020 which keeps landlords from using eviction or threats of eviction to seek the payment of rent that accumulated during the pandemic. Until April, I had never missed a rent payment in 6 years. My landlord is already flouting the emergency tenant protections. She's been harassing and threatening me with eviction. Unless I make full payment of rent immediately, she will use my security deposit for back-due rent and force me to vacate in 30 days or face eviction as soon as the local emergency is lifted. Her lawyer is also sending me threatening letters. If there is no law to protect me AFTER this emergency, she will immediately begin eviction proceedings against me without giving me the chance to negotiate any repayment plan with her.. Thank you for all you've done for Pasadena residents. Please don't leave us without your support after the local emergency is lifted

I consent to have my comment read out loud during the meeting. Yes

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State California

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Meeting Date May 4, 2020

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Comments I applaud the Housing Department staff for its proposal to add protections for Pasadena tenants. Affordable Housing Services (AHS) suggest an additional protection for landlords that can be afforded. but at the expense of tenants. The overwhelming majority of especially low income tenants have experienced income loss and are unable to pay rent - much back rent - at this time of crisis. .

AHS supports allowing tenants to self-certify their inability to pay. We also support rent forgiveness instead of a rent moratorium; low and very low income tenants (who we house) are very unlikely to be able to repay their back rents.. Conversely, landlords - especially affordable housing providers - are ill equipped to absorb the loss of rents. The State should cover landlord losses and the federal government should reimburse California. .

Unless back rents are forgiven, Pasadena will experience a massive eviction and homelessness crisis 12 months after the emergency ends.. Evictions of low and moderate income households of color and persons with disabilities should NOT be the "remedy" by which back rent is collected. Pasadena should use its good offices and lobbying resources to create State and federal resources to keep our residents in place.

I consent to have my comment read out Yes

**I consent to have my
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