

# PUBLIC COMMENT

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**From:** City Web  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2020 9:49 AM  
**To:** Public Comment; City\_Council  
**Subject:** Public Comment for Meeting on May 4, 2020 about Agenda Item Item 17

**Name** Helen Bunt Smith

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**Address** [REDACTED]

**City** Pasadena

**State** CA

**Zip Code** 91101

**Meeting Date** May 4, 2020

**Agenda Item Number** Item 17

**Comments** Please vote against superseding ordinance 7359 Chapter 9.76, as this penalizes good landlords who are working with their tenants who were financially injured by the virus. I live in Pasadena and am a commercial landlord and rent one apartment. Also do not make landlords notify tenants about a possible change in the law. Not all tenants are financially effected by the virus. The ones who are injured should notify the landlord as my tenants did. I have worked with those tenants financially injured by the virus by forgiving some part of their rent as needed, and by giving all the money received from the city utilities rebate to the tenants as a credit, in part as per their need. Tenants should not be given additional ways to take advantage of their landlords, especially if they are not really financially injured. The current ordinance is sufficient to protect financially injured tenants. I am sure I am not the only landlord to voluntarily help their tenants.  
Sincerely Helen Bunt Smith

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

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**Martinez, Ruben**

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**From:** City Web  
**Sent:** Friday, May 15, 2020 6:50 PM  
**To:** Public Comment; City\_Council  
**Subject:** Public Comment for Meeting on May 18, 2020 about Agenda Item 18

## **Public Comment for Meeting on May 18, 2020 about Agenda Item 18**

**Name** Juliet Angelo

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**City** Pasadena

**State** CA

**Zip Code** 91101

**Meeting Date** May 18, 2020

**Agenda Item Number** 18

**Comments** We are a small business in Pasadena and never missed a rent payment during our nine years of occupancy. So far we have managed to retain our 20 employees.

We timely requested our Landlord to negotiate rent deferral and repayment under the Moratorium, showing COVID adverse impact

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**Before engaging with any discussions Landlord demanded:**

- a. Audited Financial Statements for past two years, quarterly, monthly and YTD illustrating ownership & capital structure; operating & net worth statements; cash flow statements illustrating all G&A expenses; occupancy costs; Balance Sheet , personal tax returns; monthly forecasted operating statements and CARES relief documentation, as the sole and necessary proof of COVID impact**
- b. Additional Lease guaranty (in addition to existing Personal Guaranty), letters of credit, security deposit increases; essentially requiring additional securitization and capital to defer payment of a few months' rent;**
- c. rent payment including late fees, interest with Default and Demand Letters threatening a pay-back of Rent Abatement from 2011.**

**Landlord, refuses to disclose whether they have COVID related loan modification or forbearance and indicated they are doing the same with all their tenants.**

**Can the City Council provide us with any guidance under the ordinance?**

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

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**Martinez, Ruben**

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**From:** City Web  
**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 2:57 PM  
**To:** Public Comment; City\_Council  
**Subject:** Public Comment for Meeting on May 18, 2020 about Agenda Item 18 Second Reading Covid19 Eviction Mortatorium

## **Public Comment for Meeting on May 18, 2020 about Agenda Item 18 Second Reading Covid19 Eviction Mortatorium**

**Name** Allison Henry

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**City** Pasadena

**State** CA

**Zip Code** 91104

**Meeting Date** May 18, 2020

**Agenda Item** 18 Second Reading Covid19 Eviction Mortatorium

**Number**

**Comments**

Council,

My name is Allison Henry and I am a tenant in district 3. I write to express my great disappointment in council's not adopting great protections for tenants on repayment and certification of hardship. You could have adopted the County's protections and workflow for self-certification. Also, I am disappointed that to date no funds have

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been established at the city level for rental assistance. This is a tenant majority city. Also, the cities of El Monte and Pomona have figured out how to use their federal assistance to provide assistance. A few weeks back, council voted to spend over \$400,000 on a helicopter camera. The city is exploring assistance funds for small business. I have put this idea to you multiple times, some of you privately. Things are different now with the economy. Our tenants, our families, our community deserve rental support. Please figure out a way for such a fund for Pasadena tenants to be established. Thank you.

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

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**From:** City Web  
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## **Public Comment for Meeting on May 18, 2020 about Agenda Item 18**

**Name** Jill Suzanne Shook

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**City** Pasadena

**State** CA

**Zip Code** 91104

**Meeting Date** May 18, 2020

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**Comments**

Dear Mayor and City Council members,

While I greatly appreciate your efforts to create a fund to help struggling businesses, we also need help the majority of our city's residents who are renters. Sometimes we can be unaware of the less visible non-store front needs, but nevertheless just as real. In our small church fellowship, there are about five people unable to pay for their rent and do not qualify for other programs. I hear helicopters

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overhead, and glad for the surveillance, but wonder if money would be better spent on helping people stay in their homes. A priority on caring for our renters needs to be more urgent. Please consider adding a renter fund using stimulus funds and a longer payback time in this ordinance so folks won't later have an eviction on their record making it extremely hard to find a place they can afford. Too many people become homeless because of evictions. We need to do all we can to prevent homelessness. Please adjust the moratorium ordinance. Thank you! Jill Shook

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

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