

Jomsky, Mark

From: Perry Mulleavy < . t >
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 9:29 AM
To: Jomsky, Mark; Wilson, Andy
Subject: Comment about the interim urgency ordinance/SB9

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Dear Council People,

We live in Madison Heights and have lived in California (both Pasadena and Sierra Madre) most of our lives. We truly appreciate the Madison Heights area for the beautiful historic homes and we want the city of Pasadena to protect its historic neighborhoods by making the areas like Madison heights designated historic neighborhoods in order to protect the beautiful artistic houses from being torn down and replaced with multi-unit or mansion development. Beyond this, even if a neighborhood or area cannot be deemed historic technically, these areas have value in terms of their architecture and deserve preservation.

Thank you,
Perry and Vicky Mulleavy

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Jomsky, Mark

From: Steven Sunshine <jsm>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 10:09 AM
To: Jomsky, Mark; Wilson, Andy
Subject: Comment about the interim urgency ordinance/SB9

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I am very concerned about allowing multiple units on single-family owned parcels. While I understand the need for more affordable housing, adding the ability to place multiple dwellings on a single property will lead to more homes being torn down to make room for ADUs and considerably more traffic congestion. I would encourage the City Council to look for other ways to meet the need for affordable housing while preserving what makes Pasadena such a unique gem

Steven

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From: Renee Bellaruso < >
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 10:20 AM
To: Jomsky, Mark
Subject: City Council Agenda Item 11 SB 9

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To All City Council Members,

I am writing in favor of the City Staff Recommendation. The impact of SB 9 with respect to Single-Family homes is degrading and unconscionable. The strengthening of the existing provisions of the Protection Ordinance is vital to our community to ensure preservation of existing trees; I want to retain the the single-family house with or without garage; and retain our historical properties in accordance with the current overlay zones. There should be no increase in ADU's under SB 9.

I strongly oppose SB 9 in whole and support Staff's Recommendation. Pasadena is generational and its housing falls in line with generational families who worked hard to pass it to their families for years to come.

Please vote in favor of the City Staff Recommendation.

Respectfully,

Renée Morgan-Hampton

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Renée Morgan-Hampton

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Patty Montbriand
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2021 10:22 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse; Hampton, Tyron; Garrett, Michelle; Bell, Cushon
Subject: Re: "Interim urgency ordinance re SB 9."

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All,
Vote Yes-Excuse Me!

Vote Yes on the Interim Ordinance re SB9.

Thank you Tyron for your call explaining the gory details of this frightening bill.
Patty Montbriand

Sent from my handheld device.

> On Dec 6, 2021, at 9:17 AM, Patty Montbriand <montbrilliant@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Hi, we are District 1 residents who have lived in Pasadena for over 30 years. We are wholeheartedly against SB 9 and would like our comments to be taken seriously the city fathers.

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> The increase in traffic, the water concerns, the general overcrowding of our beloved city is eroding its charm. If Pasadena opts to cram structures on every available open foot of space what makes it special to live here?

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> For example: light pollution is inexcusable now to the point on any special astronomical date of occurrence, forget it, you can't even see nature's fireworks.

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> Water: we are admonished with every billing to use less water/your neighbor uses less water (which neighbor? What neighborhood). Why add more new residential?

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> Costs: there's no commitment to affordable housing in SB 9

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> Parking: The Pasadena streets have not been designed as parking lots yet here we are, with so many cars crammed against curbs that neighbors fight each other over parking space.

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> Please vote NO.

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> Thank you,

> Patty Montbriand

> Mike Clayton

>

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From: .
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2021 10:27 AM
To: Gordo, Victor; Madison, Steve; Rivas, Jessica; Masuda, Gene; Williams, Felicia; Hampton, Tyron; Kennedy, John J.; PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: We need a thoughtful response to SB 9: Item # 14 on agenda

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Dear Mayor and City Council members.

After reading the City staff response to SB 9 and the "emergency" ordinance that is being proposed, I feel compelled to write you again to say that fears about SB 9 are greatly exaggerated, just like fears that the Council once had about ADUs.

The Turner study says that SB 9 would enable development of duplexes on only 5.4 % of parcels in the state, and most of these would not be developed because of cost and other factors. The impact on Pasadena would be very limited, just like the impact of ADUs.

It is worth noting that most of your constituents probably support SB 9. According to a recent LA Times poll, three quarter of renters and a plurality of homeowners support SB 9. See <https://www.latimes.com/homeless-housing/story/2021-12-02/facing-housing-crisis-l-a-voters-back-duplexes-in-single-family-neighborhoods>

Unfortunately, elected officials are listening to the vocal minority, the wealthy elite who fear change, not to those who see the value of creating more affordable homes to address the housing crisis in our state and city.

SB 9 will not destroy single family neighborhoods, as critics allege. It simply allows for more single-family homes in these neighborhoods.

The cost of smaller homes on smaller lots will no doubt be less than the current cost of big homes in big lots. This will benefit the "missing middle" who are seeking housing they can afford. It could also help families and people of color, most of whom cannot afford million dollar homes in Pasadena.

Some have proposed turning most of Pasadena into historic districts to thwart SB 9, but this is an overreaction that could have harmful consequences. I love the historical character of our city and want to see it preserved, but I don't see any evidence that SB 9 poses a significant threat requiring draconian action. Many Pasadenans (myself included) are likely to resent having their homes turned into historical sites and lose the right to build a duplex, or even make changes on their homes. Requests for historical status have always come from the "bottom up," not imposed from "top down."

The Council is also considering other ways to thwart implementation of SB 9, such as requiring that they be "affordable." While we at MHCH support affordable housing, we are concerned that requiring that homes built under SB 9 be "affordable" may be a "poison bill" to make them economically unfeasible.

I am also concerned about requiring two mature trees on a lot where a duplex is built. While I love our city's tree canopy, I don't see why this requirement is being imposed on homeowners who want to split their lots. It seems like a way to cast shade on this law, not to benefit the environment.

I do support the idea of making sure that homeowners who split their lots comply with the state's requirement and live in their homes for three years. Enforcing this law, perhaps with a fee or fine, could deter investors from taking advantage of SB 9. Currently investors are buying up homes and converting them to rentals or jacking up prices. This is an urgent problem that needs to be addressed (not SB 9) and I feel that this city needs to consider a "flipping fee" to deter this kind of predatory activity. This fee should go into our city's affordable housing fund.

Instead of trying to thwart SB 9, the Council needs to pass design standards to insure that any homes built under SB 9 are consistent with the character of the neighborhood. It is also a good idea to read the Turner study (summarized below) and not be swayed by irrational fears.

I'd like to conclude by saying that as a person of faith, I believe in the Golden Rule: "treat others as you wish to be treated." Because I am blessed with owning a home here in Pasadena, I want to do everything possible to ensure that others have that blessing. I am also aware that I have benefited from policies that have inhibited the production of homes and thereby raised prices beyond what people can afford. The home that Jill bought for \$140,000 in the 1990s is now worth over \$850,000. Jesus says; "To whom much is given, much will be required" (**Luke 12:48**). This means we are held responsible for what we have. If we have been blessed with homes that have increased wildly in value, it is expected that we do what we can to benefit others. I hope you will take this teaching to heart as you consider how to respond to SB 9.

Respectfully, Anthony Manousos

HOW WOULD SB 9 AFFECT HOUSING?

Few neutral studies on the potential impacts of SB 9 — and practically none on SB 10 — are available, but commentators and news publications often cite a July report from the Turner Center for Housing Innovation at UC Berkeley. It noted that the bill could allow property owners access to financing options as they construct additional units, but ultimately expressed doubt that its provisions would result in effects as sweeping as proponents hope and critics fear.

The main issue, according to the center, is that renting or selling a home developed under SB 9 would not be financially viable for many property owners. The report said SB 9 could enable the development of units on 410,000 of California's single-family parcels, just 5.4% of such parcels in the state.

Out of those 410,000, the report's authors estimated, the legislation would make new development financially feasible on just 110,000 parcels (for the remaining parcels, some development is already feasible, but the report authors said SB 9 would allow for even more units).

The center, which collaborated with MapCraft Labs, estimated that out of the 18,300 single-family parcels in Burbank, about 15,500 would be eligible under SB 9. However, the organization noted that the bill would increase the number of market-feasible units by roughly 800 parcels, for a total of an estimated 1,300 newly feasible units.

In total, the report noted, SB 9 could allow for the creation of more than 714,000 new homes — primarily duplexes — in California that would not otherwise be market feasible. However, it pointed out that many property owners may not want to pursue the options offered by the bill. "But despite the concerns of some of its detractors, SB 9 will not lead to the overnight transformation of residential

neighborhoods,” the authors added. “Differential owner preferences and limited applicability means that only a share of that potential is likely to be developed, particularly in the near term as awareness and capacity expands.”As such, while important, the new units unlocked by SB 9 would represent a fraction of the overall supply needed to fully address the state’s housing shortage.”

Respectfully,

Anthony Manousos

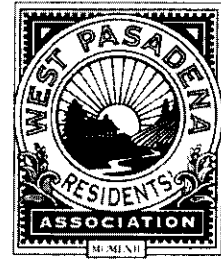
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From: .
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2021 10:40 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: WPRA Suppor of SB 9 Interim Urgency8 Ordinance - Council Item 11 12/6/21
Attachments: WPRA Letter re SB9 Interim Ord 12-6-21.pdf

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Attached is the West Pasadena Residents' Association letter in support of the Interim Urgency Ordinance, Item 11 on the 12/6/21 agenda.

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December 6, 2021

Mayor Victor Gordo
Members of the City Council
City of Pasadena
Via Email

WPRA Supports Interim Urgency SB9 Ordinance

Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

The West Pasadena Residents' Association strongly urges the City Council to approve the recommendations of the Planning and Community Development Department report of 12/6/2021, which would enact an Interim Urgency Ordinance in response to Senate Bill 9.

SB 9 requires certain ministerial approvals of lot splits and housing construction, and imposes other intrusive requirements on local zoning and building codes. However, it also permits local adoption of objective zoning, subdivision and design review standards under certain conditions, which is the objective of the interim and eventual permanent ordinances.

WPRA appreciates the efforts of the involved commissions and staff to balance SB 9 mandates with local flexibility and to recognize Pasadena's prior efforts in producing affordable and market rate housing. We look forward to suggesting additional changes or clarifications to the permanent ordinance, such as design standards, parking, infrastructure, affordability, and fire mitigation in high-risk zones, but the imperative now is timely enactment of the interim ordinance to meet the January 1, 2022 deadline.

In a matter closely related to SB 9, WPRA urges the Council to support the "Our Neighborhood Voices" initiative, which would provide that local planning and zoning provisions would prevail over contradictory State dictates.

Thank you for your consideration of our points of view.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Beal".

President, WPRA
For the Board of Directors

The WPRA is an all-volunteer organization dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the quality of life in southwest Pasadena. We represent nearly 8,000 households, including 1,000 paid members.

**WEST PASADENA RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION
POST OFFICE BOX 50252 ▪ PASADENA, CA 91115**

Martinez, Ruben

From: Jeff C <
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2021 10:44 AM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse; PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: 12/6/21 City Council Agenda Item #11: the interim urgency ordinance/SB9

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Dear Mayor Gordo and Councilmembers,

My name is Jeff Cyrulewski, and I'm a Pasadena resident. I am writing to ask the Mayor and City Councilmembers' support for the recommendations to adopt an interim urgency ordinance pursuant to SB 9. Many Pasadena residents are alarmed and concerned about the potential impacts to the City's single-family neighborhood character that the construction of multiple primary dwellings and destruction of existing protected trees SB 9 will allow.

Pasadena has historical and architectural significance with a large number of Historic and Landmark districts unrivaled by other California cities the size of ours.

I urge you to pass the interim urgency ordinance.

Thank you,
Jeff Cyrulewski

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To Mayor Gordo and City Council members:

CITY CLERK
CITY OF PASADENA

Lower Hastings Ranch Association requests the Mayor and City Council members' support for the recommendations to adopt an interim urgency ordinance pursuant to SB 9. Our members are extremely agitated over the possible negative impacts to single-family neighborhoods and the environment in general. The destruction of single-family neighborhoods will not solve the housing crisis.

Please support the interim urgency ordinance.

Lower Hastings Ranch Association
By Diane Kirby

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From: cityclerk
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2021 11:14 AM
To: Flores, Valerie; Iraheta, Alba; Jomsky, Mark; Martinez, Ruben; Novelo, Lilia; Reese, Latasha; Robles, Sandra
Subject: FW: re SB9

From: Michael M <
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 11:11:43 AM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)
To: cityclerk <cityclerk@cityofpasadena.net>
Subject: re SB9

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Thank you,
Michael Magamez

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Martinez, Ruben

Subject: FW: Subject: 12/6/21 City Council Agenda Item #11: the interim urgency ordinance/SB9 Add to the Public Record.

From: Lise Keen <...>

Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 10:22 AM

To: Gordo, Victor <vgordo@cityofpasadena.net>; Masuda, Gene <gmasuda@cityofpasadena.net>; Mermell, Steve <smermell@cityofpasadena.net>

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I urge you to pass the interim urgency ordinance.

I am a Pasadena native. I grew up in Madison Heights and have resided in Daisy Villa for 30 years. It blows my mind to think that developers (or greedy or naïve individuals) can come in and destroy our lovely neighborhoods. We need to protect our neighborhoods as much as we can under this new Senate bill. Even neighborhoods that don't have Landmark status, such as mine.

Thank you,
Lise Keen
District 4

Martinez, Ruben

Subject: FW: SB9

From: Michael M
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 11:11 AM
To: Gordo, Victor <vgordo@cityofpasadena.net>
Subject: SB9

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Michael Magamez

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Jomsky, Mark

From:
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 11:23 AM
To: Masuda, Gene
Cc: Gordo, Victor; Mermell, Steve; cityclerk; Jomsky, Mark

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To: Mayor Gordo and City Councilmember's
From: Dwight S Morgan
Subject: 12/6/21 City Council Agenda Item #11: the interim urgency ordinance/SB9
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I urge you to pass the interim urgency ordinance.

Thank you,
Dwight S. Morgan
District 4

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Jomsky, Mark

From: michelle brown <[redacted]>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 12:03 PM
To: Jomsky, Mark; Wilson, Andy
Subject: Comment about the interim urgency ordinance/SB9

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I support the adoption of an interim ordinance to stop construction of four-unit buildings on single family lots in Madison Heights. This is a beautiful and historic neighborhood that would be ruined by such construction and property values would be greatly diminished.

Please pass this ordinance.
Michelle Brown

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Martinez, Ruben

From: cityclerk
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2021 12:05 PM
To: Flores, Valerie; Iraheta, Alba; Jomsky, Mark; Martinez, Ruben; Novelo, Lilia; Reese, Latasha; Robles, Sandra
Subject: FW: Council agenda item #11- interim urgency ordinance /SB9 - add to public record

From: Marion
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 12:04:55 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)
To: Gordo, Victor <vgordo@cityofpasadena.net>; Wilson, Andy <awilson@cityofpasadena.net>; cityclerk <cityclerk@cityofpasadena.net>; Jomsky, Mark <mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net>
Subject: Council agenda item #11- interim urgency ordinance /SB9 - add to public record

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I urge you to pass the interim urgency ordinance and stop further irreparable negative impacts to our beautiful city.

Thank you,
Marion White
District 7

Jomsky, Mark

From: cityclerk
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 12:18 PM
To: Flores, Valerie; Iraheta, Alba; Jomsky, Mark; Martinez, Ruben; Novelo, Lilia; Reese, Latasha; Robles, Sandra
Subject: FW: City Council Agenda Item 11 SB 9

From: Renee Bellaruso <rbellaruso@cityofpasadena.net>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 12:18:01 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)
To: cityclerk <cityclerk@cityofpasadena.net>
Subject: Fwd: City Council Agenda Item 11 SB 9

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To City Council Members
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Date: Mon, Dec 6, 2021 at 10:20 AM
Subject: City Council Agenda Item 11 SB 9
To: Jomsky, Mark <mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net>

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Respectfully,

Renée Morgan-Hampton
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Martinez, Ruben

From: Al Cullen <al.cullen@allennh.org>
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2021 12:23 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Senate Bill 9

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Mayor and Council Members:

I fully support what is the only right thing to do for the citizens of this City—constraint of the broad powers in 9 is in order to the full extent of the law and even consider an area that is somewhat gray.

We are under no obligation to supply additional housing due to Sacramento's wishes overriding local control for such an important matter to the detriment of the property owners and what Pasadena now enjoys.

Al Cullen, President
Greenwood /Allen Neighborhood Assoc.

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Martinez, Ruben

From: cityclerk
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2021 1:10 PM
To: Flores, Valerie; Iraheta, Alba; Jomsky, Mark; Martinez, Ruben; Novelo, Lilia; Reese, Latasha; Robles, Sandra
Subject: FW: #11 Interim Urgency Ordinance

From: jseadream@aol.com < >
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 1:09:59 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)
To: cityclerk <cityclerk@cityofpasadena.net>; Jomsky, Mark <mjomsky@cityofpasadena.net>; Gordo, Victor <vgordo@cityofpasadena.net>; gmadusa@cityofpasadena.net <gmadusa@cityofpasadena.net>; Williams, Felicia <fwilliams@cityofpasadena.net>; Hampton, Tyron <THampton@cityofpasadena.net>; Kennedy, John J. <JohnJKennedy@cityofpasadena.net>; Rivas, Jessica <jerivas@cityofpasadena.net>; Madison, Steve <smadison@cityofpasadena.net>; Wilson, Andy <awilson@cityofpasadena.net>
Subject: #11 Interim Urgency Ordinance

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To: Mayor Gordo and City Councilmembers
From: Janet Waldron
Subject: 12/6/21 City Council Agenda Item #11: The Interim Urgency Ordinance/SB9
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I encourage you to pass the interim urgency ordinance.

Thank you for your protection of this beautiful city and for caring about its history and its citizens.

Sincerely,
Janet Waldron
District 4

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Martinez, Ruben

From: Laura Ellersieck ·
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2021 1:35 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Cc: Masuda, Gene
Subject: SB-9 Interim Urgency Ordinance, items 11 and 14

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Honorable Mayor Gordo and Councilmembers,

I encourage you to support the staff recommendation for the SB-9 Interim Urgency Ordinance, numbers 11 and 14 on today's agenda.

SB-9 provided a short time frame in which to enact some protection against its most drastic possibilities. Enacting the proposed ordinance would take advantage of that opportunity, providing time for more detailed analysis and response.

The City should work to retain, and regain, local control over our city's development and livability wherever possible.

Trees, greenery, air, quiet, and ability to distance are very important to health. These qualities are why many people value living in single family residential neighborhoods (as opposed to those in it for the investment).

SB-9 just encourages whacking older neighborhoods that already have smaller homes and lots because they are generally less expensive to buy. Being close to transit gets rid of requiring any parking space, which also reduces cost.

Just one property without on-site parking can result in the cars of residents and visitors occupying the street for many properties around.

That blocks official (and much more frequent un-official) street sweeping. As people have to circle blocks to find parking, it pollutes the air and adds to noise. Many big city people are used to this nonsense and think it is just fine, but it is a serious degradation of livability and environment.

A car-share vehicle within a block prevents the need of including parking? So the developer just arranges for a car share to be present

for the time needed to get the approval, and then its gone. Useless.

Even if there is one car-share, that's not enough for a whole bunch of people. Can multiple properties getting developed use the same car-share for the exemption?

The requirement for a property owner-occupancy affidavit of intent to stay three years seems to be easily scammed. Aside from just changing their mind and leaving, likely with insignificant to no penalty. Or a developer just makes a deal with the home owner to fund the development through a big loan which the owner will pay off by selling in three years. How does project approval starting the 3 years, but the existing building will be fully or partially demolished, square with owner occupancy during that time?

Landmark and Historic districts are protected from SB-9 requirements, but the way the legislature has acted in recent years, they'll be back to attack them soon also.

Thank you,

Laura Ellersieck
personal opinion, East Eaton Wash, District 4

Jomsky, Mark

From: KEVIN CASTAING · et>
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 1:14 PM
To: Gordo, Victor; Madison, Steve; Kurtz, Cynthia; Jomsky, Mark; Hampton, Tyron; Masuda, Gene; Rivas, Jessica; Kennedy, John J.; Williams, Felicia; Wilson, Andy; Kennedy, John J.
Subject: SB9

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From: Kevin C. Castaing
Subject: 12/6/21 City Council Agenda Item #11: the interim urgency ordinance/SB9
Add to the Public Record.

I am asking the Mayor and City Councilmembers to support the recommendations and adopt an interim urgency ordinance pursuant to SB 9. Many Pasadena residents are alarmed and concerned about the potential impacts to the City's single-family neighborhood character that the construction of multiple primary dwellings and destruction of existing protected trees SB 9 will allow.

Pasadena has historical and architectural significance with a large number of Historic and Landmark districts unrivaled by other California cities the size of ours.

I urge you to pass the interim urgency ordinance.

Thank you,

Kevin C. Castaing
District 4

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Jomsky, Mark

From: Alison Thompson
Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 3:09 PM
To: Jomsky, Mark; Wilson, Andy
Subject: Comment about the interim urgency ordinance/SB9

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Dear Andy,

SB 9 is going to destroy our neighborhood, our City, and every single-family neighborhood in the state. We urgently support any and all efforts by the City Council To put in place protections for our city so that multiple dwellings cannot be built in historic neighborhoods.

We are disgusted by what is happening in Sacramento and disgusted by the destruction of our city's historic heritage. We support making all of Pasadena a Landmark district!

We are also appalled by the development proposed in the area of Lake and California. To call it an eyesore is being too generous. It is hideous. We want our Planning department to deny such incongruous development in our city. And we also want height restrictions to be enforced on commercial development.

Thank you for listening.

Best, Alison and Harlan Thompson

Sent from my iPad

Martinez, Ruben

From: Glenn Camhi < >
Sent: Monday, December 06, 2021 4:42 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
Subject: Correspondence re 12-6-21 ITEM 11 - interim urgency ordinance pursuant to SB 9
Attachments: letter re interim urgency ordinance pursuant to SB 9.pdf

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Please include the attached letter in the record, if possible. Thank you!
Glenn Camhi

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December 6, 2021

Dear Honorable Mayor Gordo and the Members of Pasadena City Council.

I am writing to ask that you adopt the proposed interim urgency ordinance pursuant to SB 9, particularly with provisions for protecting mature and otherwise protected trees.

Also, since the drafters of SB 9 recognized the considerable civic and cultural importance of preserving historically significant architecture and neighborhoods, by including an exemption for landmark districts (and other designated historic landmarks), I would urge you to consider using this interim urgency ordinance to protect landmark districts that have been deemed eligible and are in the signature-gathering process. The proposed Madison Heights Landmark District is nearly done gathering signatures, and it would be a shame to see some of our city's most beloved historic architecture start to be destroyed before residents were finished with the process. This effort was not begun as a reaction to SB 9. We started and were designated an eligible Landmark District long before SB 9 was even on the table. But because it's such a large area with so many residents, and because the Covid pandemic stalled us for over a year, the process has been laborious. But we are nearly done.

Please make a consideration for this situation, in the spirit of SB 9's protections for significant historic architecture.

Thank you.

Glenn Camhi

(Secretary, Madison Heights Neighborhood Association; writing for myself)