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From: ML Clark PhD
Sent: Sunday, July 30, 2023 4:38 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse
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Dear Mayor Gordo and City Councilmembers,

My name is M.L. Clark, Ph.D. and I am a tenant in Pasadena Council District 7. I am writing in today to ask you to approve items 26 and 27 without delay.

I voted YES on Measure H as I wished to stay in the apartment I have lived in for 29 years and to stay in the City of Pasadena. I hear weekly from Seniors whose rent is now higher than their Social Security check, who have received a \$600 rent increase since their apartment building was sold, etc., etc. Individuals and families who used to be able to live in Pasadena can no longer afford to. This is a sad state of affairs for these people and for the City.

The work it takes to set up what is for all practical purposes a new city department is vast and the urgent public need is enormous. The PRHB needs to have the resources necessary to continue its work of creating the program and providing urgent assistance to tenants and landlords who are asking for its assistance.

Please vote YES on items 26 and 27 without delay.

Sincerely,

M.L. Clark, Ph.D.

7/31/2023
Item 26 & 27

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From: Bin Lee
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2023 12:09 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse; Hampton, Tyron
Subject: City Council meeting July 31 - YES on items 26 and 27

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Dear City Council,

My name is Bin Lee, and was a volunteer to get Measure H passed in our city. I have seen up close the mental, emotional and financial stress and trauma that corporate landlords have inflicted upon my neighbors and my partner. No one in my city should have to endure the fear of losing their home.

Please approve items 26 & 27 to give the just-getting-started Pasadena Rental Housing Board the tools it needs to protect our neighborhood from corporate landlords.

Thanks for your time,

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Bin Lee
District 1 resident and homeowner

7/31/2023
Item 26 & 27

Stevenson, Garrett

Subject: FW: City Council Meeting - Items 26 and 27

From: Liberty McCoy <>
Sent: Monday, July 31, 2023 2:34 PM
To: PublicComment-AutoResponse <publiccomment@cityofpasadena.net>
Cc: Rivas, Jessica <jerivas@cityofpasadena.net>; Morales, Margo <mlmorales@cityofpasadena.net>
Subject: City Council Meeting - Items 26 and 27

Dear Mayor Gordo and City Councilmembers,

My name is Liberty McCoy and I am a tenant in Pasadena, I live in District 5. I am writing to you today to urge you to approve items 26 and 27 before you.

As an organizer with the Pasadena Tenants Union, and now a coordinator of the solidarity tenant line, I urge you to give funding to this program so that it can be fully operational and be in compliance with the Pasadena Fair and Equitable Housing Charter Amendment.

Currently while the work of setting up the board is going on the Pasadena Tenant Union is undertaking much of the unpaid, volunteer work to assist tenants. In a past year our solidarity line received 180 calls for tenants. So far this year we have received 291 calls and counting. This does not count the hundreds of emails we reply to, or the many tenants we help in meetings, in workshops or with our Tenant Toolkit which has been replicated and linked to by many other organizations.

However as an all volunteer and dues supported member organization we only have so much capacity to help. We need the Pasadena Rental Housing Board to undertake the vast work of setting up this new department and infrastructure and in the legally mandated time.

For instance, by December 22, 2023 the Rental Registry must be deployed. That means the Rental Housing Board needs to find and source a vendor and begin the development process of a complex online open data tool that is ready to deploy within the next four and a half months. This is just one of the tasks that this department needs to complete and this deadline of December 22 is within the law for the board to meet.

Please vote yes on Items 26 and 27 and do not delay.

Best,
Liberty McCoy

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