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Members of the Council

I would like to thank City staff for their rapid response to Councilmember Hampton's request for analysis about how to assist tenants who do not pay their rent under the eviction moratorium agreed by the Council last month.

The comprehensive report identifies that there are almost NO remaining funding sources from government agencies. This is what Pasadena landlords fear - that they may be required to provide housing for free with no assistance from the City of Pasadena, despite the City's passage of an eviction moratorium.

If the Rent Stabilization Department did not have a multi-million dollar funding hole, there might have been some opportunity to support landlords who are not receiving the rental payments they need to pay their own bills, not least the property tax bills due this week.

Please urgently review how to offer targeted support payments or loans to help both tenants and landlords as we recover from the fires. Also, in view of the ongoing financial issues of the Rent Stabilization Department, please schedule a budget review for that organization.

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