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Re:

Opposition &

LAHD Proposal

Judicial Enforcement Lien/Property

Opposition to Amnesty for Bootlegged Units

Friends:

Both the United States/California Constitutions provide to all citizens certain basic "due process" Rights whereby they may have a properly Noticed Hearing before any Governmental agency may initiate or levy charges, fines or other penalties. They are to receive a proper Notice. They are to be given an opportunity to challenge or appeal the alleged fines, and have a fair Hearing with an "impartial/objective" Hearing Officer??? Taking an employee from LAHD and designating them as a Hearing Officer is certainly not fair and impartial. Even citizens receiving a parking ticket have an opportunity to challenge or contest the issuance of the citation. Even citizens who receive a driving citation or ticket from police have an opportunity to challenge, dispute and appeal that item.

Here, LAHD simply wants to generate bills and charges, send them to Property Owners and others, and when they are not paid, immediately place a Lien on the Owner's property, causing them to possibly go into foreclosure or default on their loan. LAHD never publishes their charges. There is no Hearing opportunity to challenge. When they're not paid, the penalties are illegal and usurious in that they are almost 500% higher than the original charges???

Finally, our friends at LAHD are not willing to provide an amnesty program for the 75,000 illegal or bootlegged units in the City.

Please oppose.

Merry Christmas,

Michael Millman