

Communication from Public

Name: Amber Cannon
Date Submitted: 03/27/2020 06:55 PM
Council File No: 20-0147-S19
Comments for Public Posting: 100% Rent and Mortgage moratorium for all collection in the city of LA during the coronavirus crisis and ensuing recovery
FORGIVENESS of rent and mortgages accrued during this time
MORATORIUM on utility bill collection and shutoffs This is the biggest economic and health care crisis Los Angeles has faced in centuries and our city council must lead where our federal and state governments have not. None of us should be required to be wiped out to survive this, whether that's renters, homeowners, or business owners. We are truly in this together. Thanks everyone.

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Name: miranda cristofani
Date Submitted: 03/29/2020 12:09 PM
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Comments for Public Posting: Councilmembers, we direly need YOU to lead right now in enacting a 100% rent and mortgage moratorium in Los Angeles for the duration of this crisis and the recovery period. - 100% Rent and Mortgage moratorium for all collection in the city of LA - FORGIVENESS of rent and mortgages accrued during this time, and a MORATORIUM on utility bill collection and shutoffs - This is the biggest economic and health care crisis Los Angeles has faced in centuries and our city council must lead where our federal and state governments have not! You all have the opportunity to make Los Angeles either a model for resilience and solidarity, or a model for absolute disaster. But you don't have time to delay on which side of that you wish to see as the outcome. The Proposed City wide rental fund is not good enough. We need a complete rent freeze. The people of Los Angeles should not have to choose between paying for food to survive and rent for shelter. This is something that you can support those people, that are both the most vulnerable and unemployed in Los Angeles with. There are a great deal of workers in Los Angeles that are part of the Entertainment Business and are freelance workers that are unemployed and have no idea when they will go back to work. Service workers, Independent contractors and gig workers are all unemployed right now and do not know when they will be going back to work. It is TONE DEAF of the Council to not hear the people of Los Angeles and to not offer more relief than a moratorium on evictions, which is allowing debt to accrue, and will have to be paid back. We demand a rent freeze, while looking into a relief for landlords rental tax. It is the only humane thing to do. Be on the right side of history, the right side of humanity and on the side fo the PEOPLE of Los Angeles.

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Name: Paul

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Comments for Public Posting: I lost my house during the financial crash of 2008. If you lose your home, you rent. If you lose where you rent - you become homeless. If anything, i think relief for rent payers (typically the less financially secure or able) should be a priority over mortgage payers. We are being forced to not work, forced not to earn a living (I understand why and support the measures but it is still outside of my/our control and forced upon us) so in such circumstances to expect us to continue to pay bills seems a little incongruous.

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Name: Michael

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Name: Lauren Lemos

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Lauren Lemos and I own/operate/manage/ Wax Paper, (as you know of) a restaurant in your Council District. On behalf of myself and my employees, we urge you to consider the needs of restaurants and the hospitality industry. Many of us are small businesses who will be irrevocably harmed during this unstable time. In the past few days, every restaurant and bar in the City has been forced to close or pivot to accommodate delivery-only and takeout. For many restaurants, it is unfeasible to make this adjustment. While we understand that this is for the good of our community, it has had a detrimental effect on our business and our employees. I know that the City Council has the best interest of our restaurants and our employees at heart. We fully support Motions 72N, 72R, 72Z and 72QQ. These motions will truly help revive the hospitality industry after we come out of this public health crisis and allow us to take care of our employees during this extremely difficult time. Our employees are family to us. Since the mandated shut-down, we have done everything possible to take care of them for as long as this may last and work to make sure they have a job to come back to when we are able to re-open. However, I worry that some of the proposed motions will end up hurting our employees more than they would help them. Please Oppose Motions 72J and 72KK. Both motions will make it harder to bring our employees back as soon as possible. Although these rules may be applicable to larger chain restaurants, independent restaurants like mine would struggle with these motions. In addition, I ask that you Oppose Motion 72HH, which, although commendable, would be prohibitively expensive and would force restaurants to make payments that, as small businesses, we simply cannot afford if we hope to reopen as soon as we are allowed. Any legislation that puts more costs on small businesses without truly covering the cost will prevent many of us from reopening. At next week's City Council meeting, please understand how your vote will affect both the restaurant employees and small business owners. My number one priority is to support and provide for every one of my employees but I also want to ensure that they will have a job to come back to once the COVID-19 crisis passes. Thank you