

Communication from Public

Name: Rod Hall

Date Submitted: 04/07/2020 10:13 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Good morning, My name is Rod Hall and I'm the Organizing Director for Abundant Housing LA. I'm submitting public comments to urge the city council to take adopt the actions put forth by the Healthy LA coalition. People are struggling to pay rent and don't have savings to catch back up and pay off the rent that is owed. People have had to leave the City just to return home with family for safety and security. We need to protect our workers from eviction and we need to ensure we don't continue to contribute to the City's unhoused population. The situation we are in is stressful enough and the city council can do their part to make it less stressful for folks by adopting the actions put forth by the Healthy LA coalition.

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Name: John Ma

Date Submitted: 03/27/2020 12:04 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: - Enact a Strong Moratorium on Evictions related to both nonpayment of rent and the presence of unauthorized occupants and pets, as well as all “no cause” evictions. - People should not have to go to court to prove the impact of coronavirus on them to counter an eviction filing. Nobody should be evicted during an emergency that requires people to shelter in place. - The City should work with the State and financial institutions to continue suspending mortgage payments for homeowners and landlords, and forgive rent obligations for the duration of the crisis, including a recovery period after the state of emergency is lifted. - Implement an immediate freeze on all residential and commercial rent increases and prohibit landlords from charging late fees

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Name: Paulius Simkonis

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Comments for Public Posting: I have been laid off from work because of the Corona pandemic without being given a date when I will be able to return to work. As a result my finances and ability to pay bills has been affected, but the bills have not stopped. If I'm unable to pay rent I'm only allowed to delay the payment, but will still have to pay it back which doesn't make sense with what money since the city has shut down non-essential businesses. Once we are able to go back to work and resume getting our usual paychecks those paychecks will be used to cover the bills of the months ahead, but I won't be getting additional compensation from work to cover the rent that was due when I wasn't able to earn an income. Such a repayment plan will put millions of Angelinos in debt! Debt in which they will be for longer than 6 months. Rent and mortgage payments should be frozen during the pandemic to prevent from putting millions of people into debt because of the pandemic so that during these difficult times people aren't stressed about one more thing on top of the dozens and dozens of bad news that is presented through various sources daily. Such a financial burden can create mental health issues, such as severe anxiety, that need to be mitigated so that the population stays healthy when health is such a priority for the city, state, and country. This is not only a financial issue but also a mental health issue and should be looked as with extreme seriousness so that the citizens can get through this pandemic as fast as possible and continue to stay healthy during such a dire health crises.