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Fwd: Oppose Items 37,38, 39

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From: Garth Clark <gsuburban@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Apr 23, 2020 at 10:50 PM
Subject: Oppose Items 37,38, 39
To: City Clerk Holly Wolcott <cityclerk@lacity.org>

Dear City Clerk Wolcott,

As a housing provider in L.A., I am strongly opposed to items 37, 38 & 39 on the upcoming council agenda. Aspects of these proposals are likely unlawful as they are governed by state and federal law, have had no discussion and are redundant of actions already taken. These proposals do not aim to alleviate issues related to COVID-19 but further amplify the economic damage and confusion unfolding. I urge you to focus on solutions such as supporting and expanding item 66 which aims to help struggling renters.

I understand that the COVID-19 pandemic has created a great deal of uncertainty for Angelenos. That is why I support item 66, a renters relief program. I have been working with my residents that are struggling. I have instituted payment plans, deferred rent, highlighted resources and halted rent increases. I am doing everything I can to be part of the solution to this unprecedented crises. Many housing providers are not eligible for mortgage relief and are facing tenuous financial circumstances that will affect all contractors, suppliers and employees of these communities.

Items 37, 38 and 39 before you are an overreach; not a solution to this economic and health emergency. Like the 12 month deferral period, this will create a great deal of financial uncertainty and distress for the entire rental housing industry and those whose jobs depend on it. These policies will make the problem worse.

I recognize everyone is struggling but this goes too far. I respectfully ask the council to focus on solutions such as item 66, and reject 37, 38 & 39.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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