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**Comment for the council File Related to the Second Dwelling Unit Repeal Ordinance (CF:14-0057-S8)** ✓

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Sun, Aug 21, 2016 at 7:21 AM

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Sincerely,

Ann Theis  
(resident of Van Nuys, CA)



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Sincerely,  
Kelly Comras

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## Comment for the council File Related to the Second Dwelling Unit Repeal Ordinance (CF:14-0057-S8)

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Dear President Wesson and Council Members,

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Sincerely,

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Stephen Resnick, President  
Westwood Homeowners Association



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## Tuesday Agenda -- Second Dwelling Units (CF 14-0057-S8)

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John H. Welborne <john@welborne.net>

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Council President Wesson and Your Distinguished Colleagues:

**“No” on the proposed repeal.**

Please do not discard our stricter Los Angeles standards relating to second dwelling units.

Please don't let Sacramento call all the shots for our local Los Angeles neighborhoods.

There are ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS you can take:

— You can amend the City's existing SDU Ordinance to keep the existing protective standards while eliminating discretionary CUP aspects.

— You can protect the interests of property owners whose proposed SDUs comply with City regulations but whose permits were stopped by DBS. A new administrative memo could provide for ministerial handling under the existing SDU rules.

You do NOT have to grandfather all of the units that violate our City's rules, and you do NOT have to give up jurisdiction to the weaker rules from Sacramento.

Please act in the interest of the vast majority of single family residents in your districts. Only a few property owners are seeking to develop income-producing second units; the vast majority of your constituents on R-1 streets want the protections that come with the existing R-1 zoning . . . that's why they live there.

Again, please do NOT repeal the City's law on Tuesday.

Thank you.

John H. Welborne  
Lifelong Resident  
(of CD 4, but the proposed repeal  
would impact ALL districts)

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**Fwd: City Council to vote on Second Dwelling Units this Tuesday**

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MaryLinda Moss &lt;imarylinda@aol.com&gt;

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Comment for the council File Related to the Second Dwelling Unit Repeal Ordinance (CF:14-0057-S8)

Dear City Council Members,

I am writing to voice my opposition to the proposed repeal of the second dwelling ordinance. I am greatly concerned that this could impact a wide variety of our local neighborhoods, a special quality of Los Angeles.

Repealing this ordinance will have lasting negative impacts on the character and infrastructure of our neighborhoods. Abandoning the city's local control of second dwelling units will leave us at the mercy of incredibly weak state standards, and throw open the gates to developers to further fuel real estate speculation in our neighborhoods.

You have several options at your disposal to bring the City into compliance with state law on second units. There is simply no reason to discard our protective local standards. I would expect you to make the effort to keep this important protection. If revisions to the Second Dwelling Unit ordinance are necessary, at the very least they must be considered with adequate public outreach, not on the current "fast track" basis, so that all stakeholders have the opportunity to consider proposed changes and express their opinion.

Sincerely,

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## Second unit in Mt Washington

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Dear city council members. I do think that homeowners with existing space already should be able to keep it. I have a home built in 1939. That does have an existing granny space. This was not space that I built or added or..it was already existing. And as my kids were growing up. Grandma actually did live there to help out.

As a single mom though...it does help me to be able to rent out the space now to help with my finances.

However now I find I am a victim of people who oppose to have these granny units and are causing me a lot of trouble with the department of building and safety.

I am now having to spend a lot of time and money to comply to rules that would and should be followed if I had actually built or altered my original structure. Which I have in fact not.

I think that there should be some rules in effect for people who want to build and add the space for a unit IF it is not already existing and...leniency for those who do have preexisting space already that is being used and to not harass them to be brought up to existing conditions.

I get both sides of the arguments and there is an in-between solution.

We should try to come up with different set of conditions for both.

Thank you  
Mary Cheung

Sent from my Samsung device



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## Second Dwelling Unit Repeal Ordinance

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Sincerely,

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## Comment for the council re File elated to theSecond Dwelling Unit Reap Ordinance

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## Comment for the council File Related to the Second Dwelling Unit Repeal Ordinance (CF:14-0057-S8)

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