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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(12) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 10/03/2019

Type of NC Board Action: For

#### Impact Information

Date: 11/16/2019

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 14-0268-S16

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council unanimously supports the adoption of Council File 14-0268-S16. This proposed motion will assist in mitigating the misuse of the Ellis Act to displace long term tenants in RSO units. In our community the Ellis Act has been used to displace numerous tenants from RSO units to demolish buildings and develop housing for high income earners. Currently, it is unjust that tenants who have been evicted without just cause under the guise of the Ellis Act are not guaranteed the first right of refusal for newly constructed below market rate units. Additionally, property holders who conduct this business practice should not be able to benefit from any incentives such as Transit Oriented Community incentives or density bonuses for evicting tenants. Moreover, the passage of this motion will offer additional support to evicted tenants by ensuring the current market value rates are considered when computing the payout amount of funds tenants are entitled to under the Ellis Act. All too often, displaced tenants in our community are forced out of the community due to the extreme increase in rental prices over the past several years. We acknowledge the harmful effects this can have on children who are then taken out of their schools, away from friends, extended family support and social opportunities. Strengthening tenant protections is a direct way to help prevent homelessness in our communities. It also serves to keep communities together and creates stability for our children. Because of this, we SUPPORT this motion and urge the councilmembers to continue to work to expand tenants rights and housing.