

HOUSING

MOTION

With Los Angeles City's ongoing housing crisis, it is important that the Housing Department closely manage the over 600,000 units protected by the Rent Stabilized Ordinance (RSO). This will help ensure that these units continue to be protected and kept affordable through adequate monitoring.

Currently, the RSO program does not have information other than what is received through complaints to enable it to monitor rent increases. Building this capacity is important because the core purpose of the RSO is to protect tenants against excessive rent increases.

Both the City of Santa Monica and the City of West Hollywood make it a requirement for landlords to register annually, along with current rent rates. The purpose of the rent disclosure at the time of registration is to enable to control and monitor rents as mandated by their City Charter Amendment.

I THEREFORE MOVE for the City Council to instruct the Department of Housing and Community Investment Department (HCID) to report back in 60 days on the feasibility of expanding the yearly registration renewal application to include information about the rent for each unit and whether or not each unit has been vacated and decontrolled in the past year.

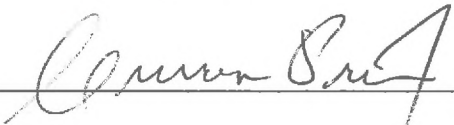
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