

MOTION

1) CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT
REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED

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On March 27, 2020 the City Council adopted an ordinance that protects residential tenants from eviction during the COVID-19 global pandemic. This ordinance allows tenants to defer rent during the emergency if the tenant is impacted by COVID-19 and gives tenants 12 months to payback the deferred rent. The ordinance also prohibits landlords from evicting tenants for no-fault reasons, pets, additional occupants, and nuisances related to COVID-19. However, some landlords continue to harass and serve eviction notices to tenants violating the City's ordinance. Working with the City Attorney Feuer, we have identified additional protections for residential tenants, including providing tenants with a private right of action and prohibiting landlords from trying to take tenants' stimulus money.

Although the City of Los Angeles has strong pandemic tenant eviction protections in place, we must continue to act where we can to protect tenants and ensure we are not exacerbating the public health or homelessness crises.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the City Attorney to prepare and present an ordinance that will provide tenants with a private right of action against any landlord who violates the City's residential tenant protection ordinance and prohibits landlords from trying to take tenants' stimulus money.

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