

Communication from Public

Name: Jack Yermian

Date Submitted: 02/04/2021 12:33 PM

Council File No: 21-0034

Comments for Public Posting: We are apposed to this increase. Especially, during Covid, decreasing rents and high vacancies. Many of our tenants have moved out of CA. Due to the low quality of life, high taxes, and the Homeless issue.

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Name: Lena Hobson

Date Submitted: 02/04/2021 10:19 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Rental housing providers, in particular, small mom and pop property owners have been forced to bare the financial burden of the negative impacts of Covid-19. Where is the support and protections for those of us that support and essentially protect our tenants by providing them with housing? Now, to be hit with an increase in fees for trash, is simply outrageous! During this time, there should be NO RATE INCREASES recommended or passed along to rental operators. Period. The City of LA continues to dump on this very fragile group of individuals who have been tasked with combating this gigantic monster, while others sit and observe on the sidelines as we go down. How is it fair that we continue to be the ones that loose out and still, with inadequate relief in place for us? As a member of the Coalition of Small Renter Property Owners (CSRPO) I implore you to govern fairly and through an equitable lens. Stop ignoring the irreparable harm that proposals, such as this fee increase and many others that have since passed have caused to small mom and pop owners. These actions are wiping us out!

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Name: Diane Robertson

Date Submitted: 02/04/2021 09:34 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a founding member of the Coalition of Small Rental Property Owners, a grassroots alliance of “mom and pop” landlords in Los Angeles advocating for the rights small rental property owners and attempting to work towards equitable solutions for us and our tenants, I hear the stories of landlords who are struggling to stay afloat as a result of the Eviction Moratorium (which has essentially resulted in a government “taking” of our properties). I can think of few things more egregious than to contemplate a fee increase in any area to rental operators at this critical time when many of us are being forced to house tenants for free for an indefinite period and irrespective of those tenants’ ability to pay. Many of us are reckoning with the possibility of foreclosure or are deciding to voluntarily sell and leave the rental housing business in California. These are properties that, hereto, provided a source of income to their senior owners. These are properties that were intended to be a pathway to financial security and generational wealth building. These are properties that reflect hard work and sacrifice. The loss of these properties will result in hardship not just for their owners but for their tenants as well in the long run. Rather than voting against the interests of property owners at every turn, we implore you to work with us to find solutions that will protect us and, in turn, protect our tenants. Where is the justice in the political expediency displayed by our government’s actions? Sincerely, Diane Robertson Founding Member Coalition of Small Rental Property Owners <https://smallrentalowners.com/>

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Name:

Date Submitted: 02/04/2021 07:53 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing to strongly oppose the increase of waste management fees. I personally sit on the board of my HOA and we have been eaten alive by these high fees. My HOA is in Van Nuys, is 16 units, and is composed of working class families who have saved and done their personal best to buy a condo in this extremely overpriced city. As these fees go up, we have seen monthly waste management fees of over \$1,000 and as a result we have had to raise our monthly due to \$350/month even though we have no pool, gym, or other amenities. My hope is that you can review these fees and either find another company to provide the service or force them to reduce administrative/overhead costs. I personally work in real estate finance with a focus on tax credit equity so increases of 2% to 3% I fully understand and project for but 6%+ is astronomical and will increase the outmigration of residents from this City to a point where there is no one left for them to serve.

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Name: Kimako Desvignes

Date Submitted: 02/04/2021 04:38 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I would like to ask that the waste hauling increase be halted. At this time we are in a pandemic that has forced people to lose jobs and income. A moratorium on evictions has been extended and tenants are not paying rent. I have a tenant that has not paid rent for 17 months that I am unable to evict. This has set me back financially. Nonetheless, I am still required to spend money to maintain the units and keep their water on. There is no real financial reprieve for landlords at this time. The money offered does not pay up the rent. During these difficult times, why would this increase be implemented. Kimako Desvignes Member, Coalition of Small Rental Property Owners (CRSPO)

Communication from Public

Name: Larry Larson

Date Submitted: 02/02/2021 09:38 AM

Council File No: 21-0034

Comments for Public Posting: RE: Agenda item 5/Council file 21-0034 – Feb. 4, 2021 This is to urge you to vote no on any increases in the trash/recycle bills. I am the general partner of Pacific Investment Co, the owner of a 47 unit apartment building in Pacific Palisades. We pay all the utilities for our tenants. One third of our apartments are either now vacant, or the tenants are not paying their rents due to Covid. Secondly, our trash bills are already approximately two and one-half times more than what we used to pay our previous trash hauler. Athens, the exclusive trash company for Pacific Palisades, purchased the trash bins from the former company and provides the same services at a higher price. Due to Covid, landlords have been forced to subsidize tenant rents. We cannot pass on increased trash bills to the tenants, many of whom are not paying any rent. Our partnership is co-owned mostly by retired teachers who depend on the net income from our property. Due to Covid, we have had to suspend all partner distributions. We cannot afford an increase in our trash/recycle bills! Thank you. Larry Larson
Pacific Investment Co. 323 782 1144