

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Council, PLEASE do NOT move forward with an ordinance for a Vacancy Tax. As property owners, we do not want vacancies, they are never desirable, why would you want to tax us?, However sometimes vacancies happen. They happen because it takes time to refurbish a unit - replacing floors, appliances, etc. and sometimes more if tenants damaged the unit. They happen because there are no tenants who want the available unit. It happens because there are no qualified tenants. Empty units mean no rent; this is not desirable for us. Why would you want to additionally tax us? This is an appalling invasion of rights. Do homeowners have to pay an empty room tax? Do businesses have to pay an empty office tax. Landlords are not to blame for the homelessness problem in California. Stop trying to hold us responsible. Encourage and support the building of low-income housing! Thank you, Julie Farr Fountain View Apartments
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