

Communication from Public

Name: Aaron L. Temin, PhD

Date Submitted: 11/05/2024 07:10 AM

Council File No: 21-1230-S7

Comments for Public Posting: Dear Members of the. PLUM Committee, I am writing in support of RETAINING the Faith Based Organization incentives in the City's housing plan. I understand that you are considering removing them. This would be a terrible outcome for the city. These incentives help increase the housing stock in the city, a city that is woefully under-housed. We should be doing anything and everything to increase the availability of housing of all types to ensure that current and future residents have available and affordable places to live. Faith based organizations, including Ikar of which I am a member, are using the various incentives, including the one you are proposing to remove, to make their projects "pencil." Please consider whom you are depriving of reasonably priced housing before you remove this incentive (or any other incentive or regulation that will increase LA's housing stock.) Thank you very much. Respectfully, Aaron Temin, PhD
Brentwood

Communication from Public

Name: Brian Levy

Date Submitted: 11/05/2024 08:14 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please don't reverse the Council's support for building affordable housing on the property of religious organizations! I am a member of the progressive Jewish congregation, IKAR. As a way of living our commitment to Tikkun Olam (healing the world) , we are working to build affordable senior housing for formerly homeless seniors as part of the development of a new synagogue sanctuary on our property in the City of Los Angeles. More affordable housing is vital if Los Angeles is to reduce homelessness – and this cannot be done without some new spaces opened up for affordable housing to be built. Creating new opportunities for faith-based organizations to build such housing on property that we own is a win/win. We have been thrilled by what we have understood to be the LA City Council's support for these efforts – and are shocked at the possibility that the council would continue to put up or keep up the barriers to addressing the number one solution to our city's homelessness crisis - affordable housing.

Communication from Public

Name: Stephanie Sourapas

Date Submitted: 11/05/2024 08:23 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: Please don't remove the incentives to build affordable housing on church property. Please give interested churches every bit of aid that you can. We need to build affordable housing now, and as I have seen, it's a win/win. By streamlining the process you save the church thousands of dollars. As well, these incentives can make the project possible. I am shocked at the possibility that the council would continue to put up or keep up the barriers to creating the NUMBER ONE solution to homelessness - affordable housing!

Communication from Public

Name: Gail Lerner

Date Submitted: 11/05/2024 08:41 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: To the Planning Commission, I'm writing to urgently ask you to keep Faith Based Organization incentives on the City's housing plan. Removing them would be a real blow to the efforts to encourage faith communities to build housing in the city. LA's housing issue is chronic and a blight on our wonderful city. My synagogue, IKAR, and many other places of worship are committed to creating homes for the unhoused. Please protect our ability to meet the requirements for housing that the state has set for us. Many thanks for your consideration, Gail Lerner

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Name: Regan Williams

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