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Comments for Public Posting: Please vote no on Councilmember Lee's motion to allow for some landlords to raise the rent by an additional 1%. This Council already voted to update LARSO to make it fair to tenants and landlords, and this motion would derail that. The Housing Department is on record stating it has no reliable way of knowing who is a small landlord, and this motion would allow savvy landlords of all sizes to exploit it and raise the rent on already struggling tenants. In a recent report on corporatization of the housing stock, LAHD details how seemingly mom and pop landlords could really hold hundreds of units due to LLC structures-- one "natural person" held 864 units. There would be no way to stop landlords with hundreds of units from exploiting this motion. More importantly, it is unfair to a tenant, who has no control over the size of their landlord, to be subjected to another 1% increase yearly. A 1% difference can make a huge difference for tenants' livelihood while it would not meaningfully effect a landlord's bottom line. Plus, there are many ways for truly struggling landlords to get relief under LARSO and its proposed revisions.

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Comments for Public Posting: Item 35 was removed from the conversation and only an hour was allowed for public comment; of this hour no less than ten minutes was allocated to three disruptive individuals who are always given time to make public comment taking away time from those who had constructive feedback to provide on issues that affect their lives. Item 35 is a small yet important proposal to provide a bit of equity for small landlords in Los Angeles who have had their rights systematically taken over the past five years while tenants rights have been placed to the forefront. I urge all members of city council to vote in favor for the rent increase carve out for small property owners . Otherwise these owners will not be able to provide quality housing to its tenants as they are not able to provide rent increases that keep up with inflation.