

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: My mother moved to the U.S. when I was only 3. She worked hard and earned her citizenship the right way as my sister and I did. My mother passed away 2 years ago and lived in the same complex for over 40 years of her life. We grew up in the complex, and I raised my children in the same one, then moved across the street into a larger unit to raise my 3 children as a single mother. Palms was beautiful then, but has changed with the times, and with the politics. It seems that the days of knowing your neighbors, helping one another out, children playing together out on the streets and parks, are all things of the past as we have been plagued with gentrification, gang violence, increase in crimes, homelessness, and rent increases. This has been a political warfare for decades, and what seems to be forgotten, is, that we are all one community. The people living here, should be protected, yet we are not. I have been in my complex for over 15 years. 15 years, with zero immunity nor protection against this, as my rent continues to increase, and I continue to age, getting closer to being 70. I raised 3 kids, and now have 6 grandchildren, who can't play safely out in the streets anymore, who can't receive proper education because of the overcrowding, and other educational issues we have here in California amongst so much more. The homelessness crisis continues to get swept under the rug, as people like myself and other (middle-class) workers have to pay taxes to house people who don't want to work, or choose to be homeless and drug abusers. The streets are riddled with them. How long has skid row had its name? What are you dping to make changes?? We have 6 families in my apartment complex. 6 families- each consisting of over 3 or more per apartment unit. Each unit which does not hace an AC or proper ventilation, and an old wall heater that has toxic vapors if turned on, a singular washer and dryer that have been there for so many years, which we all have to share- 6 units, containing families.. these washer and dryer break down frequently, we pay to wash our clothes. We have to insert coins in order to wash. Our units do not have dishwashers. Our kitchens have never been updated, never. Wre have the same kitchen since the day these units were developed, over 50 plus years ago. We have bars on our windows for protection. We had a broken gated entry for many years, and a ring camera that a neighbor had to install at gate and our parking

in alley due to break ins, not management, but tenants are doing the work, and what is coming from all of this injustice- rent increases. Take more from those struggling in order to create higher #s of homelessness, and more space for taller buildings and condos in order to make more money for the city. Everything revolves around money, but when we leave this earth, we don't leave with money. We leave with the impact of the good we have done for others, our families, our neighbors, and our people. It seems as though politics have fallen under the radar and need a revamping when it comes to real time concerns, as well as real people issues. What will you do to help us stop this? I am disabled now and will have a knee replacement surgery soon. Ask me if I have accommodations in my tub? On my toilet? None. I have to walk my cane into my bathroom and hope I can make it over my tub without falling. These are "Real" people issues. These are the issues that have developed over time because politicians are not taking care of their country or their people in ways that they should. We have battled discrimination and wars for years- when will this ever end? Is there such a thing as peace? The numbers and statistics show and reveal all. Look around- take a good look, because this mess was created by us. This is something we can't sweep under a rug anymore, the rug is not big enough to disguise such an embarrassment. What will you all do with your reign to help others? Why did you choose to run for council or to help the public in the first place? Remember who you are, and where you came from. We are all human after all.

Communication from Public

Name: Elaine Loring

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Comments for Public Posting: Everyone says we have a housing crisis in Los Angeles. We need to act like we want truly want to remedy this situation. Business as usual won't solve the challenge of rising rents for Angelenos. Revising LARSO as proposed by Keep LA Housed is what we need: 3% cap (based on appropriate CPI) No utility or extra person add-ons No rent banking I work in CD2- Councilmember Nazarian, you supported the 3% cap at the February town hall. Please keep this commitment AND endorse the other arms of the Keep LA Housed proposal. I live in CD4- Councilmember Raman, Thank you for your ongoing work to make LA livable for the entire community