

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Angela Birdsong  
**Date Submitted:** 10/28/2024 04:56 PM  
**Council File No:** 23-1134

**Comments for Public Posting:** Hi my name is Angela Birdsong, and I am making a General Public Comment and speaking on Agenda Item Number 26. I am a housing rights organizer for Los Angeles Community Action Network better known as LA CAN. I work in Council District 14, and I reside in the city of Inglewood, a close neighbor of the city of Los Angeles, and I am a landlord in Hermosa Beach. I urge the City Council to vote on LARSO updates that will keep our friends and family in their homes. I am demanding: 1) An annual increase formula based on 60% of CPI with a limit of 3%, and no floor 2) Removal of the utility bump 3) Elimination of additional occupant increase 4) That the formula applies equally to all owners, regardless of their size. A coalition of more than 100 organizations in Los Angeles supports these updates and the Economic Roundtable report supports our demands too. Please vote to make rent increases under LARSO the most protective of tenants possible. In addition, I am here to urge all City Council members to vote YES on agenda item 26. We need a Tenant-Anti-Harassment ordinance that works as intended. Thank you to Councilmember Raman for all your leadership and thanks to all Councilmembers who have supported the amendments. The majority of Angelenos are rent burdened and over half of renter households in poverty spend over 90 percent of their household income for rent. As a landlord, I could not reasonably nor ethically increase the rent to the current market rates when I have a vacancy. As a former loan processor, the debt to income (DTI) ratio does not make sense for renters to increase their DTI over 35% let alone 90%. Renters in Los Angeles need to earn \$48 per hour or nearly 3x the minimum wage to afford average rent. Thank you, as I urge all City Council-members to vote YES on Agenda Item Number 26.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Anahi Gonzalez  
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## Communication from Public

**Name:** edna monroy

**Date Submitted:** 10/28/2024 02:50 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Hi, my name is Edna Monroy, and I am speaking IN SUPPORT of an UPDATED LARSO FORMULA. I urge the City Council to vote on LARSO updates that will keep our communities and family in their homes. I am demanding: 1) An annual increase formula based on 60% of CPI with a limit of 3%, and no floor 2) Removal of the utility bump 3) Elimination of additional occupant increase 4) That the formula applies equally to all owners, regardless of their size. A coalition of more than 100 organizations in Los Angeles supports these updates and the Economic Roundtable report supports our demands too. Please vote to make rent increases under LARSO the most protective of tenants possible. With the current high cost of living in Los Angeles and across the nation, inflation, and endless expenses, it is very important for the LARSO formula to be updated to reflect these challenging times. Living paycheck-to-paycheck impacts tenants' mental health, well-being and quality of life because they are spending all of their money on rent, living very little to no money for emergencies, medical expenses, savings, and other important and necessary costs. KEEP LA TENANTS HOUSED AND PROTECTED! thank you em