

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** People have lost their entire lives in these fires. Their lives, their jobs, their communities are all in this city. Their support systems and how they are going to make it through these devastating times are IN THIS CITY. Please do not make this city even more unaffordable than it is and evict them from any semblance of normal that they have left. Please maintain your human decency and STOP with the rent gouging. I have lived in this city for almost 15 years and was SHOOK by the rent % increases I came across in just ONE year since when I last moved-- in the same exact neighborhood as before. There is no relief for people. Jobs are not paying enough. The cost of necessary items is skyrocketing. Most people are one emergency away from homelessness. And now you're we're talking about humans whose entire lives were burned to the ground. Please use your brains and your hearts when making this decisions, not your greed.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jenny Morant

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please VOTE NO on Item 15 - Rent Freeze and Eviction Moratorium - a citywide proposal for ALL residential rental units through January 31, 2026. The council has already passed an eviction moratorium to protect those displaced due to the fires. This new proposed overreach exploits the tragic wildfires for political purposes and egregiously aims to allow a tenant to “self-certify” they had a fire-related hardship so they can avoid paying rent. That’s in addition to a blanket, citywide rent increase freeze. The city actively has a direct rental assistance fund for those impacted and in need through voter approved funding in Measure ULA. Our housing providers have endured incredible hardships with high inflation rates, skyrocketing insurance premiums, along with increases in city fees and utilities. Our city cannot afford an additional rental freeze and eviction moratorium.