

Communication from Public

Name: Anjali Claes

Date Submitted: 05/12/2025 10:18 AM

Council File No: 25-0006-S77

Comments for Public Posting: My name is Anjali Claes, and I'm here today as a community member in district 13. I want to thank Councilmember Soto-Martinez for taking action to introduce this motion, and I want to strongly urge all members of LA City Council to join him in voting YES on this important motion when it's up for a full council vote. Higher rent should not be an additional burden after a traumatic event like the fires, in an already too-expensive city. Effective rent control is an essential and low-cost (compared to housing development) component of affordable housing, and we have the tools to make it a reality. Those tools are not being used to their full potential. We need transparency and accountability NOW. I strongly support this common-sense motion to protect renters and ensure that the City Attorney is actually fulfilling her obligation to Angelenos. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Michael Shaw

Date Submitted: 05/09/2025 09:30 PM

Council File No: 25-0006-S77

Comments for Public Posting: My name is Michael Shaw, and I'm here today as a renter in Los Angeles for over 20 years. I want to thank Councilmember Soto-Martinez for taking action to introduce this motion, and I want to strongly urge all members of LA City Council to join him in voting YES on this important motion when it's up for a full council vote. Rent gouging has been absolutely rampant in the wake of the L.A. fires of this past January, and there's been virtually nothing happening to protect tenants, including PROSPECTIVE tenants, from the widespread and illegal rent gouging that's been taking place We need transparency and accountability NOW. I strongly support this common-sense motion to protect renters and ensure that the City Attorney is actually fulfilling her obligation to Angelenos. Thank you.

Communication from Public

Name: Clint Choi

Date Submitted: 05/04/2025 07:13 PM

Council File No: 25-0006-S77

Comments for Public Posting: My name is Clint, and I'm here today as a proud Angeleno living in Bel Air. I want to thank Councilmember Soto-Martinez for taking action to introduce this motion, and I want to strongly urge all members of LA City Council to join him voting YES on Item number 25-0006-S77. My area was nearly affected by the wildfires and after it had all come to pass, I watched as people I knew nearby west LA experience their rent go up, many of the rent increases reaching above legal limit. I am appalled at how neglectful our City Attorney and others have been in calling for enforcement of provisional measures meant to protect renters. Landlords in the city of LA are using this crisis to make a profit. Many of these landlords are the same people that have contributed huge donations to the City Attorney and other elected officials. We will always need transparency and accountability for our elected officials determined to retain their status as civil servants, especially now. I'm proud to be here with dozens of other renters who have had enough. I implore you to vote yes on this common-sense motion to protect renters and ensure that the City Attorney is actually fulfilling her obligation to Angelenos. Thank you.