

Communication from Public

Name: Ankur Roy

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Comments for Public Posting: My name is Ankur Roy, and I'm writing today as a constituent of Council District 4. 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 motion. As a member of the tenant advocacy organization The Rent Brigade, I've learned firsthand the sheer volume of rent gouging within Los Angeles. Since the wildfires in January and the rent gouging protections Governor Newsom set in place through executive order, our organization has uncovered more than 13,000 instances of rent gouging. However, the City Attorney has only filed 2 lawsuits in that time. The rent gouging we've observed has resulted in \$38 million taken from burdened and cash-strapped tenants. The city has also forgone collecting hundreds of millions in fines stemming from these violations. Overall, we need transparency and accountability today. Hard-working renters make up the backbone of this city, and this motion is a no-brainer to protect them from being unfairly burdened further in this market. It will ensure the City Attorney fulfills her obligation to the people of this city. Thank you.

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Name: Gabrielle

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Comments for Public Posting: I urge all members of LA City Council to vote YES on this motion to protect renters in Los Angeles. You have the power to protect Angelenos from unfair practices that make housing less accessible. Thank you.