

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to producing monthly reports on the City's response to complaints of price gouging in the rental housing market.

Recommendation for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Soto-Martinez – Yaroslavsky):

1. CONCUR with the action taken by the Ad Hoc Committee for LA Recover on June 23, 2025, attached to Council file No. 25-0006-S77.

2. INSTRUCT the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) to work with the City Attorney and other City entities as necessary, to produce monthly reports on the City's response to complaints of price gouging in the rental housing market, received by any City Department, for the duration of the statewide emergency order declared in response to the January 2025 fires and for six months after, and that such monthly reports include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Amount recovered for tenants: Track how much unlawfully charged rent has been returned to tenants or credited through settlements or court actions.

 - b. Fines and penalties issued and collected: Report the number and total value of fines or other penalties imposed on landlords or property managers who broke the law, as well as whether these penalties have actually been collected.

 - c. Type of landlord or entity involved: Distinguish between individual owners, corporate landlords, and property management companies.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on July 30, 2025, your Housing and Homelessness Committee considered a Motion (Soto-Martinez – Yaroslavsky) relative to producing monthly reports on the City's response to complaints of price gouging in the rental housing market.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to concur with the Ad Hoc Committee for LA Recovery action taken on June 23, 2025, to approve the recommendation contained in the Motion, as amended, to add 3 additional reporting elements (g., h., and i.), as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
RAMAN:	YES
JURADO:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	ABSENT