

council agenda: 4/9/2019 item: 4.4 file no: 19-230

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Toni J. Taber, CMC City Clerk DATE: April 9, 2019

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. Adopt a position of support for AB 705 (Stone) on Mobile Home park Closures.

2. Recommend this item be agendized for the April 9, 2019 City Council meeting so that the City's Legislative Representatives have direction to advocate for AB 705. (Jimenez)

RULES COMMITTEE: 04/03/2019 ITEM: G.3



Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Councilmember Sergio Jimenez

SUBJECT: AB 705 (Stone) Mobile Home Park Closures DATE: March 28, 2019

Date: 3/27/19 Approved by

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Adopt a position of support for AB 705 (Stone) on Mobile Home Park Closures.
- 2. Recommend this item be agendized for the April 9, 2019 City Council Meeting so that the City's Legislative Representatives have direction to advocate for AB 705.

ANALYSIS

On several occasions I have stated that we need to protect our affordable housing stock with the same vigor we protect our threatened employment lands. In San Jose we have approximately 35,000 mobile home park residents, the largest number of mobile home households in any city in California. Furthermore, we know for a fact that if mobile home residents are displaced they will likely have no comparable housing available to them in San Jose or even Santa Clara County. For this reason I urge my Council colleagues to support Assemblyman Mark Stone's, AB 705, which seeks to clarify and strengthen protections for mobile home owners facing displacement due to park closures or conversions.

This bill would ensure that when a mobile home park containing low and moderate income housing is converted for a different use, it will not result in the unmitigated loss of affordable housing. Current law requires the preservation of mobile homes which are a source of affordable housing, but the enforcement mechanisms are inconsistent and can result in the loss of mobile home spaces and displacement of park residents.