City of San José



Legislation Text

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Enact an Urgency and Companion Ordinance Implementing an Eviction Moratorium Through August 31, 2021 for Tenants Financially Impacted By COVID-19.

- (a) Accept the staff report providing findings that support enacting a temporary moratorium through August 31, 2021 on evictions to protect tenants currently financially impacted by COVID-19 while the State and local rental assistance programs commence distribution of rental payments to the most vulnerable residents.
- (b) Adopt an Urgency Ordinance enacting a temporary moratorium on no-cause evictions, and evictions due to nonpayment of rent for residential tenants, mobilehome owners and residents, who, before the notice to pay rent or quit expire:
- (1) Pay at least 50% of the July and August monthly rent; and
- (2) Provide to the property owner or manager a signed Declaration stating they are:
- (i) Currently experiencing COVID-19-related financial distress; and
- (ii) Have applied or will apply within 14 days for rental assistance.
- (3) Invoke the urgency provisions in the City Charter, as an emergency measure for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and/or safety, to include additional provisions protecting against eviction of a tenant for nonpayment of rent, if that tenant meets the criteria listed in the ordinance regarding COVID-19.

PLEASE NOTE: APPROVAL OF THIS URGENCY ORDINANCE REQUIRES 8 OR MORE AFFIRMATIVE VOTES. City Charter Section 605(d).

- (c) Approve a Companion Ordinance through August 31, 2021 enacting a temporary moratorium on no-cause evictions, and evictions due to nonpayment of rent for residential tenants, mobilehome owners and residents, who, before the notice to pay rent or quit expire:
- (1) Pay at least 50% of July and August monthly rent; and
- (2) Provide to the property owner or manager signed Declaration stating they are:
- (i) Currently experiencing COVID-19-related financial distress; and
- (ii) Have applied or will apply within 14 days for rental assistance.
- CEQA: Not a Project, File No. PP17-008, General Procedure and Policy Making resulting in no changes to the physical environment. (Housing)

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