



The Honorable Members of the Los Angeles City Council  
City Hall  
200 N. Spring St.  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

9/21/20

### Community Impact Statement

Re: Council File: 20-0200 Rent Stabilization Ordinance / Consumer Price Index /  
Rent Increases / Rent Freeze / Amendment

Position: Support

Dear Councilmembers,

**The East Hollywood Neighborhood Council (EHNC) supports the motion to reform how allowable rent increases are calculated for rent-stabilized units.**

Los Angeles is among the most rent-burdened cities in the country. The current rent increase calculation is disproportionate to the average annual income increase, leaving renters spending more of their monthly income on rent. In normal circumstances this is challenging, but with the current COVID-19 unemployment rate, it is crucial that City Council supports this motion. This is a very important step towards preventing a displacement crisis in the wake of the pandemic recession.

In Los Angeles, almost two-thirds of households rent. We have seen in the last few months how desperate our city stakeholders are for assistance. This reform is vital to saving many of our stakeholders from facing displacement and possibly homelessness. **The EHNC urges you to pass this motion and adopt a subsequent ordinance to implement it without delay.**

Sincerely,

East Hollywood Neighborhood Council

CC:

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