

## LARA WEISIGER

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**From:** Karen Miller <karenmillercrs@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 21, 2016 1:23 PM  
**To:** LARA WEISIGER  
**Subject:** Rent Fee

Hi Lara,  
Would you please pass this on to the Council members for me? Thanks.

Dear Council,  
As you know, I was the chair of the RRAC for 10 of the 13 years that I was a member of the committee. The process worked as it was designed with only 2 notable exceptions in the 13 years. That being said, I respectfully disagree with the fee structure as proposed. The housing problem is a city wide problem but only the income property owners and tenants to a lesser degree are being stuck with the bill. I'm fairly certain that all of you have investments whether they are stocks, bonds, savings accounts or other investment vehicles. We as income property owners chose income property as an investment as you chose what you invested in. Why are we being singled out to solve the problem? If we, as a City, want to recognize that there is a housing shortage then the entire city should invest (as in pay) for the solution. That would include all residents of the city possibly through a utility tax. Please stop piling on the landlords who are just trying to make a living like everyone else.

Regards,  
Karen Miller

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Re: 6-H  
6/21/16

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**To:** LARA WEISIGER  
**Subject:** FW: Item 6-H

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Honorable Mayor and Council members,

I looked at the OUTRAGEOUS salaries for the new city employees for the rent control ordinance that was approved in March.

It was brought to my attention that you have had a Community Development Director for over 25 years. WHY ARE WE BEING CHARGED FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$253,380. AS IN THE PAST THIS SHOULD COME OUT OF YOUR GENERAL FUND.

You may want to consider hiring these people "AT Will". It will be interesting to see how the property owners as well as landlords vote in Nov. If your ordinance gets voted out, I wouldn't think you would want to be under contract with all these new employees.

Also will they be working a 4 or 5 day week??

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Allen



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**From:** Brian McGuire <brianrmcguire@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 21, 2016 4:54 PM  
**To:** LARA WEISIGER; City Manager; Frank Matarrese; Jim Oddie; Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft; Tony Daysog; Trish Spencer  
**Subject:** Rent Program Fee (Appeal Costs)

Good afternoon folks,

I just read the staff report on the program fee for tonight. I have serious concern about how the appeal of RRAC decisions granting large increases (over 5%) will work.

The RRAC is full of unscrutinized appointees. If they start approving large increases, expecting tenants to cough up \$235 for the right to be heard by an impartial hearing officer is simply unfair.

Options:

1. Abolish the RRAC, let staff work the cases and then go straight to a hearing officer if necessary.
2. Cut the fee for tenants in half or make it a flat \$100. This still keeps the "skin in the game" but is much closer to achieving an equal stake between tenant and landlord. I submit that the typical landlord has much more than two times the liquid assets than the average renter.
3. If the tenant appeals and wins, the City reimburses the appeal fee for providing bad service in the form of a bad RRAC decision.

Hopefully this gets to you before the meeting.

Thanks,  
Brian McGuire