

## LARA WEISIGER

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**From:** Michael Roush  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2020 5:18 PM  
**To:** LARA WEISIGER  
**Subject:** Fw: request for night

**Importance:** High

Here you go.

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**From:** Vanessa Cooper <vcooper@alamedahsg.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2020 4:10 PM  
**To:** John Knox White; Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft  
**Cc:** Gregory Kats; Lynette Jordan; Eric Levitt; Michael Roush; DEBBIE POTTER; Art Kurrasch  
**Subject:** request for night

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Dear Mayor Ezzy- Ashcraft, Vice Mayor Knox White,

I realize that this is late notice but these are unusual times. I am wondering (hoping!) if there is any chance the Council (with some wordsmithing from Attny Michael Roush) could add to the moratorium this evening could include a statement explicitly about Section 8 tenants and their downward rent adjustments. This would provide the Section 8 tenants assurance for this time. This could be time limited for this period of the health situation and something to the effect of:

“the landlord may not file an eviction for a Section 8 tenant where there is a downward adjustment to the Tenant Portion due to reduced employment income”

I believe this would also explicitly address some of ARC’s concerns raised this morning and ours.

Thank you, and I am available by cellphone if you have any questions.

Vanessa

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**From:** Alan Teague <alan@alameda.morphdog.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2020 4:26 PM  
**To:** Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft; John Knox White  
**Cc:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** Urgency Ordinances for tonights City Council Meeting

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Mayor Ashcraft and Vice Mayor Knox White,

I am in support of both ordinances as described in the staff reports.

The moratorium on evictions urgency ordinance attached to the agenda item reflects the fifth option for Council actions.

- ☐ Direct staff to prepare an urgency ordinance that establishes a moratorium on evictions regardless of the reason for non-payment of rent (i.e., the tenant would not have to establish that the inability to pay rent was directly linked to COVID-19). While there may be an argument for such a broad moratorium (it could be hard to find housing in this rental market if evicted thus increasing the likelihood of homelessness, etc.), staff has not been able to identify an urgency ordinance with such a broad scope.

Please make an explicit decision regarding the moratorium for evictions relating to non-payment of rent:

- 1) where a tenant can demonstrate that the tenant has suffered a substantial loss of income (defined as a reduction of 20% or more of monthly gross pay) due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 2) regardless of the reason for non-payment of rent (i.e., the tenant would not have to establish that the inability to pay rent was directly linked to COVID-19). While there may be an argument for such a broad moratorium (it could be hard to find housing in this rental market if evicted thus increasing the likelihood of homelessness, etc.), staff has not been able to identify an urgency ordinance with such a broad scope.

Thank you and take care,  
Alan Teague

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**From:** i <wanderingandwondering@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2020 10:48 AM  
**To:** City Clerk; John Knox White; Jim Oddie; Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft; Malia Vella; Tony Daysog  
**Subject:** temporary moratorium on evictions

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I am writing to encourage the city council to enact a temporary moratorium on evictions. These are unprecedented and uncertain times and if there is to be any hope of regaining normalcy in the coming weeks and months, people must be able to follow the government's guidelines without fear of losing their homes. With an already acute homeless crisis, this would only exacerbate the issue. As a city with a significant elderly population, Alameda would be better served putting its energy into community support and making sure everyone can receive the care and supplies they need. It is moments like these when the decisions of the city planners will impact the community long after the immediate crisis has abated and I encourage the council to make the sustainable and neighborly choice.

-Ian Kargoll

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**From:** Jessica Gioia <jessicacgioia@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2020 11:08 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** In Support of Temporary Moratoriums on Evictions

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my strong support for a temporary moratorium on evictions in Alameda.

As a therapist who serves folks working in the nightlife and entertainment industries, I feel the urgency and necessity of this moratorium. Many hardworking people have just lost their entire income without warning and through no fault of their own; it would be cruel to also burden them with the threat of eviction, ESPECIALLY as local government works to house individuals currently living on the street in order to slow the spread of COVID-19.

This is both a moral and a public health issue. I hope you will pass this emergency measure.

Thank you,  
Jessica Gioia

1518 Broadway  
Alameda, CA

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**From:** Zephyr Caruso <zephyr.caruso@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 17, 2020 9:44 AM  
**To:** City Clerk  
**Subject:** Temporary moratorium on evictions

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To whom it may concern,

I would like to encourage the city council to enact a temporary moratorium on evictions. This would protect the majority of our residents\* from facing potential homelessness during a time when residents are facing the loss of income that may jeopardize their ability to provide other basic necessities for themselves and their families.

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Sincerely,  
Zephyr Caruso  
Resident at  
1518 Broadway  
Alameda, CA

\*53% of residents are not homeowners according to: <https://datausa.io/profile/geo/alameda-ca>