



**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS**  
**of the Los Altos-Mountain View Area**  
**97 Hillview Avenue, Los Altos, CA 94022**

June 15, 2014

Mayor Chris Clark and Members of the City Council  
City of Mountain View  
500 Castro Street  
Mountain View 94041

Re: Council Meeting, June 17th, Agenda Item 6.1 – Potential Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance Amendments

Dear Mayor Clark and City Councilmembers:

The League of Women Voters wants to comment briefly on the proposed amendments to the Tenant Relocation Assistance Ordinance. Since our letter to the EPC is part of the Council packet, we will not repeat all that is in that letter.

We agree with the proposed changes to the ordinance and with the EPC's recommendation, including the language regarding possible sequential displacement. The language proposed by staff to mitigate this problem appears appropriate.

With respect to the income limits for tenants receiving this assistance, we appreciate staff's research leading to Table 2 on page 4, as well as the discussion following the table. We continue to recommend that assistance be provided to those with income limits up to 100% of area median income. Staff points out that a family of five would not be able to afford the median rent of \$3,110 for a two-bedroom apartment with two bathrooms. Should the family want a three-bedroom apartment, due to the make-up of the family, the median rent would be even higher than \$3,110 and therefore less affordable.

Thank you once again for considering our input.

Donna Yobs  
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LWV of the Los Altos/Mountain View Area

cc. Dan Rich  
Linda Lauzze  
Randy Tsuda  
Jannie Quinn