



CITY OF COMMERCE AGENDA REPORT

TO: Honorable City Council **Item No. _____**

FROM: City Administrator

SUBJECT: SENIOR CITIZEN HOUSING PROTECTION ORDINANCE

MEETING DATE: September 6, 2016

RECOMMENDATION:

At the request of Councilmember Rebollo, the City Council will discuss and give direction on a proposed ordinance that would protect seniors from landlords seeking to evict long-term elderly tenants to raise rents.

BACKGROUND / ANALYSIS:

The objective of the proposed senior citizen housing protection ordinance is to promote neighborhood and community stability, protect vulnerable senior tenants from unlawful evictions, and maintain affordable housing for senior tenants by controlling excessive rent increases and arbitrary unlawful evictions to the greatest extent allowable under California law, while ensuring landlords a fair return on their investment. Staff will need to conduct significant research regarding the issues involved with such a proposal. Given the current workload, legal and otherwise, staff and the City Attorney will require significant time to complete this process.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Provide staff with direction.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This activity may be carried out without additional impact on the current operating budget.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC GOALS:

This item before the City Council is not applicable to any specific Council 2012 Strategic Goals.

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