

City of Santa Barbara Just Cause Eviction Ordinance

Tomorrow's hearing on the Just Cause Eviction Ordinance has been postponed, giving you until May 15th to send your comments to City Attorney Ariel Calonne on the attached draft ordinance. It includes the results of the "Relocation Assistance Study" commissioned by the City which recommends tenant relocation assistance.

PROPOSED RELOCATION ASSISTANCE AMOUNTS				
Within the City	Studio	1-Bdrm	2-Bdrm	3+-Bdrm
General Population	\$2,365	\$2,700	\$4,583	\$7,125
Special Needs	\$2,571	\$2,921	\$5,468	\$8,460

Respond to the City Attorney's Letter below by sending your Comments on Draft Just Cause Eviction and Relocation Assistance attached to: acalonne@SantaBarbaraCA.gov

Greetings:

You are receiving this email because you have expressed interest in Santa Barbara rental housing issues.

On February 11, 2020, the Santa Barbara City Council directed preparation of a Just Cause Eviction Ordinance which would be more protective than the state's Tenant Protection Act of 2019 (AB 1482). The City Council also directed preparation of a Relocation Assistance Nexus Study for further consideration of possible relocation assistance payments for no-fault just cause evictions. The City retained Keyser Marston Associates, Inc. (KMA) to prepare the study.

On April 17, 2020, the City Attorney's Office released a Public Comment Draft package including four documents: 1) Staff report to the City Council's Ordinance Committee, 2) draft Just Cause Eviction Ordinance, 3) draft Relocation Assistance Payment Amount Resolution, and 4) the KMA Relocation Assistance Study. The package is available for download from the City Attorney's Office Rental Housing Information webpage [HERE](#).

This matter was originally scheduled to be heard by the City Council Ordinance Committee on April 21, 2020. Due to COVID-19, this meeting is being delayed to accommodate and encourage increased written public participation. You are invited to deliver written comments to City Attorney Ariel Calonne at acalonne@SantaBarbaraCA.gov no later than May 15, 2020. Your comments will be summarized and presented to the Ordinance Committee during its deliberations.

Please call City Attorney Ariel Calonne at (805) 564-5326 should you have questions.

Respectfully,

*Ariel Pierre Calonne
City Attorney, City of Santa Barbara*