

CITY OF BELL GARDENS
Ordinance Summary

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Bell Gardens has adopted Urgency Ordinance No. 902-U on December 9, 2019 during a regular Council Meeting:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELL GARDENS, CALIFORNIA, EXTENDING URGENCY RENT CONTROL MEASURES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO A PROHIBITION OF RENT INCREASES IN EXCESS OF THREE PERCENT (3%) ABOVE THE MONTHLY RENT TO CERTAIN MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING UNITS AND LIMITING EVICTIONS TO JUST CAUSE EVICTIONS

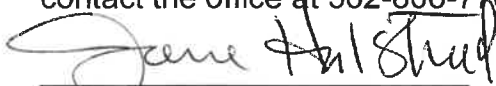
SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE: the City adopted Ordinance No. 902-U pursuant to its police power, the City may enact and enforce laws within its boundaries which promote the public health, morals, safety, or general welfare of the community, and are not in conflict with general laws. It has come to the City's attention that rents throughout the Los Angeles County area are continuing to rise as real estate costs rise, which is leading to a decrease in affordability for many and potential homelessness. The City Council of the City of Bell Gardens has formed an Ad Hoc Committee to look into rising rent costs and needs additional time to create an ordinance that would address both tenant and landlord concerns. The City Council took immediate action and adopted Ordinance No. 900-U on October 28, 2019 to establish a prohibition on rent increases in excess of three percent (3%) and limiting evictions to just cause evictions. The City Council took immediate action to avoid subjecting renters to economic hardship and potential displacement that may lead to homelessness to the detriment of the public health, safety and welfare. Ordinance No. 900-U became immediately effective upon adoption and was set to expire on December 11, 2019.

Ordinance No. 902-U is effective immediately on December 9, 2019, the City Council heard public testimony, deliberated, and elected to extend the Ordinance to the end of the year, thus expiring on December 31, 2019 and abiding by State law on January 1, 2020.

The City Council passed the ordinance for publication with the following vote:

AYES: Council Members: Aceituno, Barcena, Rodriguez; Mayor Pro Tem Flores and Mayor Cortez
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

GENERAL INFORMATION: A copy of the full text of the Ordinance is available at the office of the City Clerk at 7100 Garfield Avenue, Bell Gardens, CA 90201 or you can contact the office at 562-806-7705.



Jane Halstead, City Clerk
City of Bell Gardens

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Bell Gardens Department of Public Works