



Western  
Manufactured Housing Communities  
Association

June 14, 2021

Mayor Greg Bogh  
City of Yucaipa  
34272 Yucaipa Blvd.  
Yucaipa, CA 92399

*RE: Item #17 Mobilehome Rent Review Commission Stipend*

It is agreed by nearly everyone involved that the Yucaipa Mobilehome Rent Review Commission is broken. Which elements contribute to its unworkability and how to fix it have long since been debated.

I listened to your discussion in April. The only solution is to streamline the process and have a hearing officer or the City Council determine the fate of applications. You can also have either option serve as an appeals board if you believe one is needed. It was stunning to hear a Member of the Council suggest they don't have the desire and/or ability to sit through a Mobilehome Rent Review Commission application. Imagine the business owners you require to operate under it? Or residents live under it? And then your unwillingness to be bothered by it.

The concepts and matters this commission must work with are complex in nature and require a large degree of mental dexterity. Preparing, responding to and deciding these applications requires professionals. Asking well-meaning volunteers to handle this workload is no longer feasible. Quite honestly, someone who is motivated by a \$75 stipend does not fit the bill to review a special rent increase application either.

This matter can no longer be kicked down the road to be dealt with later. Please make some bold changes and see if you get different results. This council and/or future councils can always return to the broken commission model if changes don't meet expectations or have unintended consequences.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie Paule".

Julie Paule, Regional Representative

cc: Yucaipa City Council, Jennifer Crawford