From: <u>Vijaya</u>

To: <u>City Clerk Group</u>

Subject: LWVSB Comments for October 6 City Council Meeting

**Date:** Monday, October 05, 2020 10:43:44 AM

## Mayor Perotte and Councilmembers:

The League of Women Voters of Santa Barbara (LWVSB) provides these comments for your consideration on October 20.

## 1) Re: termination or amendment to residential and commercial evictions and foreclosures moratoria.

The League supports protection of the rights of both tenants and landlords. LWVSB recommends that the City end its residential eviction moratorium and allow AB 3088 to apply so that the equities between landlords and tenants would be more balanced.

## 2) Re: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

The League is an organization fully committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in principle and in practice. LWVSB supports the formation of a DEI Team to advise the City Manager on operationalizing the commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion in all dimensions of City government. We urge you to expand your anti-racism activities and use the DEI lens in all aspects of your governance and dealings with the community.

# 3) Re: Mayor's letter to Santa Barbara County Sheriff Bill Brown regarding police brutality and racism.

We applaud the City Council for condemning police brutality and declaring racism a public health emergency and for working with all stakeholders. We recommend that the City Council send the Mayor's revised letter to the SBSO in order to document and re-iterate the important points made in the letter.

Sincerely,

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To: <u>City Clerk Group</u>

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Subject: Goleta Council Agenda - October 6th: Item 20-361 - Commercial Eviction Moratorium - Continuance Requested

**Date:** Monday, October 05, 2020 3:25:47 PM

Attachments: <u>image003.png</u>

Greetings City Clerk Group of Goleta,

### **Summary:**

Good Space supports and requests a continuation of the Commercial Eviction Moratorium, File #: 20-361. Good Space is good for the City of Goleta. Please help Good Space be here for Goleta by supporting a continuance of the commercial eviction moratorium.

#### **Details:**

Good Space opened February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020, as Goleta's technical, business, scientific, and academic meeting center. In many ways, Good Space aimed to be the Goleta Entrepreneurial Magnet program envisioned in 2014, but supported through a coworking business model.

On opening day we hosted a free event, a panel discussion including scientists from Microsoft, Google, and UCSB, for well over a hundred free attendees. The following week we hosted another free event on intellectual patent strategy for small and mid-sized businesses. We had many more lined up.

My personal mission, as Good Space's founder, is to provide a useful resource for the professional community and spark local innovation, funding this through business offerings. Unfortunately, the timing could not have been worse. Good Space was open only 10 business days before lockdown eliminated all business meeting revenue.

Good Space is a business being protected by the Goleta Commercial Eviction Moratorium. While revenue has been increasing revenue month over month, against COVID's headwinds, it has not been at a rate sufficient to fund the current outstanding rent obligation. Overcoming the initial months of closure is possible, but will take more time. Many of the government generated safety nets, such as small business loans, exclude Good Space, as a businesses without revenue in February 2020.

Good Space will be an asset to the Goleta community for the coming years, if the eviction moratorium can extend until at least January 1, 2021.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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 From:
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Subject: My Letter of Support for DEI Plan -- for Reference at Today"s Virtual City of Goleta Meeting

Date: Tuesday, October 06, 2020 2:47:56 PM
Attachments: Everett letter of Support Goleta Mtg 10-6-20.docx

### Dear Administrators,

Please accept my letter of support for the DEI Effort and plan to appoint 2 City Councilmembers to this Ad Hoc Committee. I also support the effort to eliminate the moratoria on residential and commercial evictions and mortgage defaults.

While my letter is longer than a 3 minute reading limit, I hope it can be added to the record of community support.

Sincerely, Anna Everett

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