

**HOMELESSNESS-HOUSING
TASK FORCE MEETING**

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ACT 24-045

**Discussion on Converting the
Homelessness-Housing Task Force to a
Council Committee**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

From: [Aaron Horner](#)
To: [Housing](#)
Subject: ACT 24-045 Please make the Task Force a permanent committee
Date: Wednesday, June 19, 2024 4:53:48 PM

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Hello,

My name is Aaron Horner. I am a Hayward resident and work with FirstPres Hayward's Community Outreach Division where we serve those experiencing Homelessness and food insecurity. I am writing to ask that you please consider making the Homelessness and Housing Task force a permanent committee. The issue of homelessness in our city, county and state continues to become more complex. To be able to address these issues the City, its community based organizations and the greater community will need to take focused action. Making this committee permanent will continue to move us toward innovations like those already uncovered by this committee. We know that this issue is important to you and we will continue to take part in the committee's activities and work together to bring about more solutions in the future.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

Aaron Horner
Director, Community Outreach
Pastor, StackLife Faith
www.firstpreshayward.com

From: [Carolina Fortin](#)
To: [Housing](#)
Subject: ACT 24-045 Please make the Task Force a permanent committee
Date: Thursday, June 20, 2024 3:15:48 PM

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Dear HHTF Council Members,

I'm writing to encourage you to convert the Homelessness and Housing Task Force into a permanent, standing Council committee. Housing and homelessness remain a top issue for residents, and the Task Force provides a valuable space for the public and service providers to follow, discuss, and introduce various programs addressing the housing crisis.

We are still years away from solving this crisis for good, so I am asking you to reaffirm the City's commitment to this work by ensuring that the HHTF becomes a permanent, standing committee like all other Council Committees, rather than being subject to renewal every few years. Thank you for your attention to this important issue and your service to our city.

Sincerely,

Carolina Fortin
Newcomer Services Coordinator
Hayward Unified School District

From: [Christopher Cara](#)
To: [Housing](#)
Subject: HHTF must be permanent
Date: Thursday, June 20, 2024 5:18:03 PM

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Dear HHTF Council Members,

I urge you to convert the Homelessness and Housing Task Force into a permanent, standing Council committee. Housing and homelessness is a priority for residents, and the Task Force provides a valuable space for the public and service providers to follow, discuss, and introduce various programs addressing the housing crisis.

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Sincerely,
Christopher Cara

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From: [Cristy Ferrer](#)
To: [Housing](#)
Subject: ACT 24-045 Please make the Task Force a permanent committee
Date: Thursday, June 20, 2024 11:10:58 AM

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Dear HHTF Council Members,

I'm writing to encourage you to convert the Homelessness and Housing Task Force into a permanent, standing Council committee. Housing and homelessness remain a top issue for residents, and the Task Force provides a valuable space for the public and service providers to follow, discuss, and introduce various programs addressing the housing crisis. If it had not been for the Homelessness and Housing Task Force, I would not have a better understanding of how unstable and unaffordable housing is for marginalized families of color and immigrant communities like my families and friends in our city of Hayward. So, I have a lot of gratitude to the HHTF for paving the way to secure money in legal aid for tenants and begin work on the early stages of a rental registry.

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Sincerely,

Cristy Ferrer
Community Organizer
Filipino Advocates for Justice

From: [Collin Thormoto](#)
To: [Housing](#)
Subject: CT 24-045 Please make the Task Force a permanent committee
Date: Thursday, June 20, 2024 2:41:07 PM

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Many of the issues funded by the Community Services Commission revolve around housing, homelessness, and services to unhoused people in our communities. Making the Task Force a standing committee will ensure that this issue remains top-of-mind for Council and provides an avenue to ideate beyond simply funding nonprofit partners.

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Sincerely,

Collin Thormoto
Parliamentarian
Community Services Commission

From: [Edgar Chavez](#)
To: [Housing](#)
Subject: ACT 24-045 Please make the Task Force a permanent committee
Date: Thursday, June 20, 2024 12:12:52 PM

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Sincerely,

Edgar Chávez
Executive Director, Hayward Promise Neighborhoods

From: [Sabrina Aranda](#)
To: [Housing](#)
Subject: ACT 24-045 Please make the Task Force a permanent committee
Date: Thursday, June 20, 2024 11:42:24 AM

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Sincerely,

Sabrina Aranda
Hayward Community Member
Hayward Unified School District Employee



From: [Sweet Lao](#)
To: [Housing](#)
Subject: ACT 24-045 Please make the Task Force a permanent committee
Date: Thursday, June 20, 2024 12:17:20 PM

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Sincerely,

Sweet Lao
Organizer
Filipino Advocates for Justice

From: [Veronica Solorio](#)
To: [Housing](#)
Subject: ACT 24-045 Please make the Task Force a permanent committee
Date: Thursday, June 20, 2024 8:55:54 AM

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I'm writing to encourage you to convert the Homelessness and Housing Task Force into a permanent, standing Council committee. Housing and homelessness remain a top issue for residents, and the Task Force provides a valuable space for the public and service providers to follow, discuss, and introduce various programs addressing the housing crisis. In a survey recently conducted by Alameda County Community Food Bank, we found that amongst our network of 400 community partners, the highest community issue our clients are facing is housing followed by homelessness. This issue is too big for there not to be a permanent committee dedicated to addressing it.

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Thank you for your attention to this important issue and your service to our city.

Sincerely,

Veronica Solorio
Program Coordinator
Alameda County Community Food Bank