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Chair McLoughlin and Planning Commissioners,

I'm asking for your full attention and action regarding the proposed amendments to the Santa Ana Housing Opportunity Ordinance. In an effort to protect and restore our community, I urge you to OPPOSE and vote against them.

Santa Ana Needs to continue to prioritize affordable housing and we need your help. Low-income families in Santa Ana are being disproportionately impacted by the challenges posed by the Covid-19 pandemic. As incomes are decreasing and jobs are being lost, housing becomes further out of reach for many low income families. The impending displacement in our community is in your hands.

Please consider the risks and impact on the people of our city in regards to the city's affordable housing budget. The proposed amendments to reduce the fee that developers must pay when they choose not to build affordable housing and to use money for affordable housing for "safety activities" go against the purpose and intent of the Housing Opportunity Ordinance. Residents have continually demanded decreases in public safety spending and increased investment in affordable housing. Prioritize affordable housing in lieu of funds for public safety programs. Housing is a top safety concern!

Santa Ana residents, not Developers, need economic relief. We are counting on you all to vote against the proposed amendments to the Housing Opportunity Ordinance.

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