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Dear Mayor Ramirez and members of the Mountain View City Council

On March 8, the Mountain View Tenants Coalition commented on the housing element about the needs that we see in our community. You can [view the original letter here](#). Looking at the current draft of the housing element, we are disappointed to find that **much of our input was not included**. Here are the needs not being addressed:

- An easy way to view all available affordable housing for our community
- Increase relocation assistance in cases of eviction
- **Community Opportunity to Purchase Act (COPA) Policy**
- More protections for COVID impacts, including secondary impacts
- Special housing protections and prioritizations for essential workers (cashiers, first responders, service workers, teachers, etc.)
- Protection against misrepresentation of specials offers to fill a vacancy (a.k.a move in specials)

We do appreciate that the current Housing Element draft includes **Community Land Trusts (CLTs)** which was mentioned in our original letter.

Tenants in our community are greatly impacted by the high housing costs and are made more vulnerable especially as we are dealing with the health and economic impacts of COVID. We hope that the city provides more robust outreach with an updated draft that **clearly connects the needs stated by our community with the programs proposed** in the Housing Element for the next 8 years.

With gratitude,
Mountain View Tenants Coalition



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