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Dear Attorney Blackwood, I would like to add some input on just cause evictions. I have a lot of concerns about not being able to end tenancy with a tenant at termination of lease term. I see a situation where there is a toxic tenant who is being unkind or acting in negative way towards their community. The end of a lease period is the only way now to have this tenant move on.

I live and own a duplex and live in close quarters with my tenants. The relationships between myself and my tenants are very important. And because of this it is really important that I can control who is in my house.

I really support the rights of tenants for clean, safe and affordable housing. I do not think ordinance will help with that. The real problem of sufficient affordable housing will not be solved by not letting leases expire.

I have a lot of concerns with the completely open ended language in regards to rent control. I have no comfort with there being no guidance to that part of that ordinance. As a lot of the speakers touched on the increase in taxes and other yearly increases need to be reflected in this ordinance.

Please do not go forward with this ordinance as it stands.

Thank you,

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