

From: [Angela Sibelman](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
Date: Sunday, February 28, 2021 1:39:40 PM

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Linda Wong,

Re Item #210158 - Budget and Appropriations Committee 03/03/21

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San Francisco, California 94118

From: [Jordan Davis](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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San Francisco, California 94109

From: [Laksh Bhasin](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
Date: Monday, March 1, 2021 8:23:05 AM

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Dear Mayor Breed and Director Shaw,

My name is Laksh Bhasin and I am a former resident of San Francisco, current Redwood City tenant, coauthor of Nov 2020 Prop K, and an advocate for Public Housing for All.

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From: [Scarlett Bush](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
Date: Wednesday, March 3, 2021 7:07:35 AM

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Re Item #210158 - Budget and Appropriations Committee 03/03/21

Dear Mayor Breed and Director Shaw,

Hello- my name is Scarlett Bush and I live in a small studio on Bush and Leavenworth. I feel very lucky to be able to afford this apartment but I often worry about what would happen to me if I lost my job. The homeless population in the city serve as a daily reminder of how fragile our situation is. It scares me that my partner and I won't always be so lucky.

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Scarlett Bush
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San Francisco, California 94109

From: [Claire Lau](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
Date: Tuesday, March 2, 2021 11:32:28 PM

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Re Item #210158 - Budget and Appropriations Committee 03/03/21

Dear Mayor Breed and Director Shaw,

My name is Claire and I live in District Potrero Hill. Every year is a struggle with affording rent for my family, and we fear getting priced out of the city.

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Claire

Claire Lau
clairelau63@gmail.com

San Francisco, California 94107

From: [John McDevitt](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
Date: Tuesday, March 2, 2021 9:40:06 PM

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From: [Fernando Morales](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Callie Glade
callieglade@gmail.com

San Francisco, California 94105

From: [Jennifer Esteen](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
Date: Tuesday, March 2, 2021 11:36:39 AM

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San Leandro, California 94578

From: [Susana Leni](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
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San Francisco, California 94103

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San Francisco, California 94107

From: [Jude Sommerjones](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Columbia, Connecticut 6520

From: [Ken Lundgreen](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
Date: Tuesday, March 2, 2021 12:54:12 AM

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Ken Lundgreen
spinstarholomeme001@gmail.com

San Francisco, California 94109

From: [Jason Kruta](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
Date: Monday, March 1, 2021 9:48:10 PM

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Sincerely,
Jason Kruta

Jason Kruta
jpkruta@gmail.com

San Francisco, California 94118

From: [andrew wickens](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
Date: Monday, March 1, 2021 9:05:11 PM

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Linda Wong,

While you're at it. Please do something to all the hotels that allow drug dealing, drug use, unregulated prostitution. 16th & Mission area is infested with hotels that are 100% disturbing and should be bought from the owners and completely transformed.

Thank you,

andrew wickens
wickens1@gmail.com

SAN FRANCISCO, California 94103

From: [Nayeli Maxson Velazquez](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Fund a Municipal Housing for All pilot program to implement Prop K
Date: Monday, March 1, 2021 4:34:02 PM

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San Francisco, California 94114

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To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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From: [Jan Wilson](#)
To: [Wong, Linda \(BOS\)](#)
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Linda Wong,

Re Item #210158 - Budget and Appropriations Committee 03/03/21

Dear Mayor Breed and Director Shaw,

My name is Heidi, I live in District 5 and I mobilized in this election to get Props I & K passed. They did! and now I want to see that SF is a city that respects voters and implements what we the voters have passed.

I live in a rent controlled flat and while roommates have been a blessing in the pandemic, it would be wonderful to believe that every person who applies for a room will find affordable housing in the city, and if it doesn't work out, a roommate would be able to find an equal place somewhere else in the city. We need affordable housing so that every roommate decision isn't deciding who deserves to live in the city; the freedom for each of San Franciscan to move without losing our community. Every day San Franciscans are driven to the expanding suburbs and further commutes, damaging the city and the global climate. We needed to work on this yesterday, but since we didn't, let's do it today. I think that's affordable mixed income social housing, and San Franciscans voted for exactly that - please respect democracy and give us housing.

In November's election, San Francisco voters resoundingly approved Proposition K with over 73% of the vote, giving the City the legal authority to create a municipal housing pilot program. Voters also approved the Proposition I transfer tax, half of which was intended to fund Social Housing — mixed-income affordable housing for an average household making below 80% of median income.

Thanks to Propositions I and K, San Francisco has a historic opportunity to create a first-in-the-nation Municipal Housing for All program — with public-sector ownership and management of operations. In doing so, we can join cities like Vienna, Austria and Singapore in creating a stable public infrastructure for more affordable housing. In Vienna, the program has expanded over a hundred years to the point that 62% of residents today live in some form of social housing, including municipal housing, and pay no more than 20-25% of their income on rent. Eight thousand units of social housing are added to their stock every year. We can work towards this goal of housing stability with a Municipal Housing for All pilot program, starting this year, in the same way that Muni began as a pilot program with voter approval in 1909.

I strongly urge you to fund a pilot program for Municipal Housing for All in the two-year budget, alongside other models of Social Housing, using funds in the Housing Stability Fund. To this end, I also encourage you to support the supplemental appropriation of Prop I revenues to the Housing Stability Fund in Board of Supervisors File #201364. These funds can be used to both study and create the necessary departmental structure to support municipal housing, including asset management and property management. They can also be used to fund initial acquisitions of buildings under the municipal housing model.

The Housing Stability Fund was set up to prioritize the “acquisition and creation of affordable housing that lacks access to traditional state and federal affordable housing funding.” Municipal housing — with \$0 in funding at present — fully meets this priority definition, alongside other forms of under-funded Social Housing such as community land trusts.

As opposed to federal public housing under HUD, which has been defunded over decades due to racism and classism towards tenants, a Municipal Housing for All program has the potential to effectively deliver benefits such as:

- Deeply affordable housing focused on low-income households
- A financially sustainable mixed-income housing infrastructure with broad-based voter support

- Independence from discriminatory federal public housing laws (e.g. War on Drugs and anti-undocumented tenant discrimination)
- Independence from federal defunding, due to minimal need for operating subsidies
- Local regulation that centers San Francisco values on racial and economic equity
- Strong standards for environmentally sustainable construction and acquisition
- Good-paying City jobs with union labor
- Truly permanent public ownership of land for housing
- A public-sector infrastructure that scales to meet our housing needs, and serves as a pipeline for workforce training programs such as CityBuild

The time to fund a pilot program is NOW. In order to acquire and operate even a single building, the City must begin to plan and fund a number of departmental positions and administrative systems, with an eye towards expansion beyond the pilot.

Proposition K was supported by an extensive coalition of labor unions, housing justice groups, environmental organizations, small businesses, and the entire Board of Supervisors.

I hope you will listen to the will of the voters and engage with the Housing Stability Fund Oversight Board, the Board of Supervisors, and advocacy organizations to fund and develop an equitable Municipal Housing for All program centered on tenant needs – especially low-income tenants’ needs.

Thank you,
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