

## Varsh, Tess

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**From:** Donna Sider [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 25, 2021 12:54 PM  
**To:** Varsh, Tess  
**Subject:** Affordable housing solutions

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Dear planning commission,

As a Pasadena homeowner, living in the city for 38 years, I would not be able to buy here now. This housing crisis is ours to lean into with solutions NOW!!

1. I urge you to approve innovative proposals like allowing congregations to have affordable housing to be built on their underutilized land. RHNA is requiring 6,000 units of affordable housing to be built in the next 8 years and the HCD wants cities to come up with realistic plans to meet that goal. Churches have a track record of building affordable housing that is consistent with the character of neighborhoods. Phil Burns of the Arroyo Group has come up with a detailed plan to make sure that if churches build affordable housing, it will be in scale and consistent with neighborhood character. This comprehensive plan is superior to the one-size-fits-all approach that the state may impose if the cities don't come up with plans tailored to their needs. I urge you to support the proposal to let congregations have the right to meet our city's urgent need for affordable housing.
2. I agree with Councilmember John Kennedy that the City needs to produce 1,000 units of affordable housing in the next 1000 days. We agree with Councilmember Kennedy that affordable housing needs to be built throughout the city. I urge the Planning Commission to recommend dropping all fees for ADUs to those renting to Section 8 tenants. We need to incentivize homeowners to build affordable ADUs.

For a livable city for ALL!

Donna

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**From:** Kassandra King <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 25, 2021 2:26 PM  
**To:** Varsh, Tess  
**Subject:** 6,000 Units of Affordable Housing In 8 years

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Hi, My Name Is Kassandra King and I Was homeless and Have been Recently Housed, In Permanent Housing last Friday, and It Was a Journey, I say This Because Soo Many homeless Services Providers Aren't doing What they're Supposed to Do For Example: union Station homeless services, Where I Stayed from June 2019 to March 2020, And Because I'm "Legitimately" Disabled, Not Due to drugs Or alcohol!!!! We Are Just sitting In a System Being Passed Over and Ignored!!!! I'm So Grateful I Asked the Agency that Runs the Permanent Housing Program, Los Angeles Department of Health Services Ad-ministration!!!! More Can/Needs to be Done to Ensure that All Homeless People "Including" Those Of Us With Physical handicaps Are Housed, Helped to Get Permanently Housed And Stay Permanently Housed!!!! That "Includes" Knowing (What)Our Rights as Well And Them Being Acknow- ledged as Well as Protected. Also an Independent Commission Or Group to Make Sure that State Officials Are Giving/Releas-ing the Monies to Make Sure that Housing Programs Get/Stay Funded and That The "Right" People Are In Key Positions of Power Making Sure, And, Preventing the System from Becoming More corrupt, The Appropriate System of Checks and Balances Are Also In Place.. Thank You.

Kassandra King