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Subject: Public Comment on Agenda Item J.1

Hello,

My name is Arianna Mengel and I currently live, work, and attend university in the city of Merced. I am emailing to express my support in the staff recommendations for agenda item J.1 as well as the policies that ensure a mix of affordable housing that meets the needs of working families in of all classes in Merced.

When I first arrived for the fall semester, I had significant trouble finding housing, despite having begun my search before the previous semester had finished. I had to rely on emergency housing through the university, where I was ultimately forced to move on campus, something more expensive than living on campus would have been.

I think that this issue is crucial to discuss and resolve because it affects a broad range of people, and the situation is likely to change for the worse should it be ignored as the city grows.

Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

Arianna Mengel

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