

## **THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD PROUDLY INTRODUCES THE** **HOUSING PROTECTION DEPARTMENT**

The City of Inglewood is announcing its newly created Housing Protection Department, whose purpose is to support both Inglewood residents and Inglewood property owners preserve housing rights and property investments.

The City Council implemented a temporary moratorium on rental increases on March 5, 2019; which capped all rental increases at five percent. The City Council determined that based on the city's rental population of 60+ percent, some of whom were noticed with rent increases of 75 percent - 100 percent that the adoption of the moratorium was necessary to protect the public health, safety and welfare of many citizens, residents similarly situated. The moratorium was extended, and on November 5, 2019, the City Council adopted permanent Ordinance No. 20-03 that went into effect on December 5, 2019 (Housing Protection Ordinance).

The Housing Protection Ordinance (Ordinance) capped the rental increases of multi-family properties (five or more residential units) at 3 percent or Consumer Price Index (CPI) whichever is greater. As with other cities who have enacted Rent Stabilization Ordinances, Ordinance No. 20-03 has a self-financing provision providing for the collection of rental registration fees that will cover staff, overhead and capital costs to create a new community service oriented department to ensure fairness and stability for both landlords and tenants in the application of the recently enacted City and State rental laws.

The City of Inglewood's Housing Protection Department is responsible for monitoring and enforcing the City's rent regulations and just cause eviction protections and will subsequently enact a rental inspection component. The Department's launch date was initially scheduled for October 1, 2020; however, due to the COVID-19 emergency, the launch date will be delayed.

Any questions or concerns, can be addressed by contacting the Housing Protection Department at (310) 412-4330 or via email at [HousingProtection@cityofinglewood.org](mailto:HousingProtection@cityofinglewood.org).