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Please enter as public opinion regarding changes to Rent Control Ordinance

An issue in front of the City Council is altering the Rent Control ordinance to favor new developers with no expiration , while punishing long time apartment owners to limit their rent increases to 3%. How do you plan on compensation or longtime rental property owners?

The mayor favored Rent Control a mere 2 years ago, now wants to exempt newer developments while older buildings expenses and income are frozen to profits of 3% rent increases. This encourages tear downs of moderate priced rental units or no repairs and upgrades. Another disastrous

The voted in Rent Control to limit rent increases to 3% was always going end up in a devastating outcome for economic development but the mayor pushed for it to be on the ballot and to vote yes. The outcome by no surprise has been a building disaster . However, the City is Not to decide winners and losers, like they did with private local garbage haulers who went out of business.

As an equity issue Either Rent Control exists for all properties or for none. Repeal the entire Rent Control Ordinance but you can't carve it up as an incentive for wealthy developers to build in St. Paul. This is a basic issue of fairness.

Sincerely,
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