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**From:** David Sullins <peppersestate@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 6, 2023 11:32 AM  
**To:** sbcob; Lia Graham; Eliza Sullins  
**Subject:** renovictions

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Greetings.

As a landlord in the county, I understand the renoviction problem and the need to assert rules against flipping.

Where a building is bought, some or all are evicted, renovations are conducted and then new renters at higher rates are brought in. Often then the property is marketed to sell. And often the renovations are not really worthy of the eviction, so they are taking advantage of the category.

I have done several ADUs in the last 2 years, and we moved the renters to other quarters, did the remodel and they returned and remained at the prior rate.

Please do not invoke rules which do not allow landlords to do the right sort of things. Good leadership should encourage the right things being done.

A specific concern was something about 30 days. My ADUs each took 4-5 months. The renter then returned to a state of the art 60k renovation with no costs the them, but nothing like this could be done within any such timeline as 30 days.

Please do not invoke rules which stop the beneficial operation of State ADU's or of good remodels. Or allow the language to be so non specific that added punitive rental fines are assessed when they are not appropriate.

Thanks for letting me be involved.

Best, David Sullins 805-451-2222

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**From:** Kristen Walker <kristen@kristenwalker.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 6, 2023 9:17 AM  
**To:** sbcob; Williams, Das; Laura Capps; Hartmann, Joan; Nelson, Bob; Lavagnino, Steve  
**Subject:** Ban Renovictions and Tackle the Dire Housing Crisis in Our Community Head On

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Dear  
Santa Barbara County Supervisors,

I am writing to urge you to pass legislation to ban renovictions in our community. Renovictions, the eviction of tenants in order to renovate units and subsequently lease them at higher prices, amount to nothing more than greed-fueled displacement. As Santa Barbara County continues to grapple with the housing crisis, we must ensure that our local government is doing everything possible to protect vulnerable renters.

Renovictions

are not only morally questionable but also contribute significantly to the housing shortage in our community. Displaced tenants often struggle to find new homes within their budget, adding to the already overcrowded rental market. We must take action to stop this cycle perpetuating inequality and instead put forward policies that support all renters and promote the growth of affordable housing.

As members of our community, we urge you, our elected officials, to take bold steps that target the housing crisis head-on. In addition to banning renovictions, we implore you to look into policies that prioritize affordable housing in our county, improve tenant protection laws, and increase funding for community housing initiatives. Our community deserves to have a stable, diverse rental market that is accessible to everyone. Let us work together to make Santa Barbara County a place where all residents can thrive.

Sincerely,  
Kristen  
Walker