

Sayers, Margery

From: Olivia Kus <okus@mica.edu>
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2018 8:29 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Bill CB55-2018

Hello,

I am contacting you to support the bill CB55-2018 relating to the elimination of rental taxes on mobile homes in Howard County. I believe eliminating this tax will allow the residents of mobile homes to live happier, healthier lives, especially considering a lot of them are seniors living on fixed incomes.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

-Olivia

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Olivia Kus

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Sayers, Margery

From: courtney petersen <oldcourt2012@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 4:46 PM
To: CouncilMail; Kittleman, Allan
Subject: CB55

I strongly urge the Council to approve this bill to eliminate the rental tax placed on residents of mobile home parks. I know this tax is prohibited in some jurisdictions.

I think this is an expensive county and an additional burden should not be placed on the poorer population in the community. It seems patently unfair as tenants and condo owners are not burdened by such a tax.

I'll be at the meeting tonight to support those who drafted this needed bill.

Courtney Petersen
7391 Hickory Log Circle
Columbia, Md

Sayers, Margery

From: Debi Knapp <debiknapp@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 3:57 PM
To: CouncilMail

I wholeheartedly support the Howard County bill (CB55) to abolish the Mobile Home Rental Tax.

Debi
4930 Ilchester Point Ct, Ellicott City, MD 21043
410-788-2128

Debi Knapp

Have you questioned your answers today? (Unknown)

"In our every deliberation, we must consider the impact of our decisions on the next seven generations." (From the Great Law of the Iroquois Confederacy)

"I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And I will not let what I cannot do interfere with what I can do." (Edward Everett Hale)

Sayers, Margery

From: Ron Meservey <rtmeserv@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 2:51 PM
To: CouncilMail; Kittleman, Allan
Subject: Support CB 55 and CB54

To Howard County Council and County Executive Kittleman

I support CB55 to abolish the Mobile Home Rental Tax. This is an unfair tax on people who for the most part do not have a lot of resources.

We need to make housing more affordable, not tax people who can barely afford a place to live and who would have trouble finding other affordable housing.

I live in a house in Oakland Mills in District 3. I am a very fortunate retired Federal employee and my house is paid for.

I am happy to pay taxes. The burden should not be on those who are at risk of housing insecurity.

I hope to attend the hearing tonight, and I will be following this issue.

I also have concerns about another issue being considered tonight - CB 54, regarding construction of a new Ho. Co. Courthouse. If new construction is needed, contracts should be fair and not a bonus for developers. We taxpayers should not have to foot the bill to let developers off the hook.

Thanks.

Ron Meservey
9447 Brett Lane
Columbia, MD 21045-4407

Sayers, Margery

From: Egan, Jennifer A.
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 2:30 PM
To: Smith, Gary; Keller, Jessie; Pruum, Kimberly; Bailey, Najee; Affolter, Melissa; Gelwicks, Colette; Clay, Mary; Singleton, Julia; Knight, Karen
Cc: Sayers, Margery
Subject: CB55 Support

Please see below for those who have called in support of CB55

Jose Trejo
301-273-5869

Sayers, Margery

From: RoseMarie Meservey <rmmeserv@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 2:27 PM
To: CouncilMail; Kittleman, Allan
Subject: Howard County CB55 and

County Council Members and Executive Kittleman,

Please support CB55 to abolish the Mobile Home Rental Tax. This is an unfair tax on people who for the most part do not have a lot of resources.

In a county that has minimal affordable housing, we need to make housing more affordable not tax people who need a place to live and who would have trouble finding other affordable housing.

We live in a modest single family home in Oakland Mills. I am happy to pay taxes. The burden should not be on those who are at risk of housing insecurity.

I expect to attend the hearing tonight, and will be following this issue.

I also have concerns about another issue being considered tonight - CB 54 regarding construction of a new Ho. Co. Courthouse. If new construction is needed contracts should be fair and not a bonus for developers. Tax-payers in the county are already being squeezed. I'd hate to see another TIF agreement.

Thanks.

RoseMarie Meservey
9447 Brett Lane
Columbia, MD 21045

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From: Egan, Jennifer A.
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 1:39 PM
To: Smith, Gary; Keller, Jessie; Pruum, Kimberly; Bailey, Najee; Affolter, Melissa; Gelwicks, Colette; Clay, Mary; Singleton, Julia; Knight, Karen
Cc: Sayers, Margery
Subject: RE: CB55 Support

Please see below for those who have called in support of CB55

David Byrn
240-517-9685
Called in support of CB55

Phronnie Jones
443-644-1777
Called in support of CB55

Sayers, Margery

From: Sayers, Margery
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 11:42 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: FW: Estoy de acuerdo en que eliminen el pago de impuestos. - I agree that to eliminate the payment of taxes.

Translated with Goggle Babelfish

The tax of mobile homes is too much. And I am 100% agree that removed it.

*Margery Sayers
Executive Assistant
Howard County Council
410-313-0832*

From: Reyna Elizabeth <reynaelizabeth@rocketmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 11:34 AM
To: CouncilMail <CouncilMail@howardcountymd.gov>
Subject: Estoy de acuerdo en que eliminen el pago de impuestos.

El impuesto de casas moviles es mucho. Y estoy el 100% de acuerdo que lo quiten.

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From: JP Nunemaker <pyrojoe@pyrojoe.com>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 11:28 AM
To: CouncilMail; Kittleman, Allan
Cc: CB55YES@mail.com
Subject: Please approve CB55

Hello,

I am a resident of Deep Run Park and this email is to request that you please approve CB55 - the repeal of the Mobile Home Rental Tax.

This tax does not provide for any benefits to the residents of the park who already have to deal with yearly rent hikes, yearly maintenance costs, and increases in insurance. We already pay state and county taxes for state and county services. We also already pay for property taxes. There does not seem to be any other equivalent tax for any other rentals of any type - not car, not apartment, and not home. This tax seems to unfairly target only mobile home owners. Many mobile home residents are retired with fixed incomes or are living check-to-check. This money could definitely help with the other high costs that mobile home owners are already faced with.

Mobile home owners are already targets of higher rates for insurance as there are limited companies who will even insure them, and they know it. I had one company try to increase my premium by over \$200, and I quote "because they asked for an increase, and that's what they got". Basically because they could.

We have yearly inspections on our homes by the park office and I easily have hundreds of dollars worth of repairs to do on my home each year. Mobile homes are not the best built homes and many of the original materials used are not meant to last. This means increased upkeep and maintenance costs compared to a regular home. To add to that, there are items such as entry doors and skirting that can only be obtained through mobile home parts retailers. These are not items that you can just go down to the local big box store and pick up a replacement for. Due to their specialty nature, you get to pay the specialty price.

This tax seems to be another example of targeting mobile home owners "just because" it can be done.

Thank you for your time.

JP Nunemaker
(AnythingYouWant)@pyrojoe.com

Sayers, Margery

From: Sayers, Margery
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 11:25 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB55-2018

Wilma Codle
410-379-0784

Is in support of the passage CB55-2018.

*Margery Sayers
Executive Assistant
Howard County Council
410-313-0832*

Sayers, Margery

From: Csklara <csklara@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 11:01 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: CB-55

I would like to voice my support in favor of getting rid of the mobile home rental tax and for a vote for CB-55. Thank you.

Cindy Klara
Howard County resident and mobile home owner

Sayers, Margery

From: Rene Maygers <rmaygers@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 10:10 AM
To: CouncilMail; Kittleman, Allan
Subject: CB55-2018

To Whom It Concerns,

This message is in support of the above referenced bill, specifically the repeal of the Mobile Home Site Rental Tax in Howard County in an effort to reduce the financial burden on mobile home renters/owners who may be on a fixed income or otherwise struggling as a result of this tax.

Thank you!

Rene Maygers
rmaygers@verizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: Ruth W <ruth.folkfan@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 8:03 AM
To: CouncilMail; Kittleman, Allan
Subject: Support (CB55) to abolish the Mobile Home Rental Tax.

To Howard County Council and County Executive Kittle man

I support CB55 to abolish the Mobile Home Rental Tax. This is an unfair tax on people who for the most part do not have a lot of resources.

We need to make housing more affordable not tax people who have a place to live and who would have trouble finding other affordable housing.

I live in a townhouse in Long Reach in District 2. I am a very fortunate retired Federal employee and my house is paid for.

I am happy to pay taxes. The burden should not be on those who are at risk of housing insecurity.

I am not sure whether I can attend the hearing tonight, but I will be following this issue.

I also have concerns about another issue being considered tonight - CB 54 regarding construction of a new Ho. Co. Courthouse. If new construction is needed contracts should be fair and not a bonus for developers.

Thanks.

Ruth Keeting-White
8945 Footed Ridge, Columbia MD 21045

Sayers, Margery

From: Ken Schaffer <kschaffer24@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2018 7:13 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Mobile home tax

Dear Councilpersons -

I urge you to abolish this tax that unfairly targets those who live in mobile homes.

To single out one group of renters seems punitive, and that should feel wrong to you, as it does to me.

It's time to get rid of this tax.

Ken Schaffer
Ellicott City

Sayers, Margery

From: Susan Garber <buzysusan23@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 15, 2018 3:49 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: In support of CB55-2018

Dear Council Members,

I am writing to strongly urge you to support CB55-2018 to repeal the Mobile Home Site Rental Tax. It will be a great benefit to remove this tax from residents, many of whom are the working poor or seniors on fixed incomes. I believe this repeal will rectify an unfair premium tax on mobile homes, which those in other housing types do not have to pay.

Ultimately mobile homes ARE a viable form of low and/or moderate income housing. We have a severe shortage of such housing available in Howard County. The seemingly systematic elimination of mobile home parks in order to build large luxury apartments has always seemed terribly unjust and short sighted to me.

Anne Arundel County repealed a similar tax in June of 2017. Surely we can do the same to remove an unjust burden from vulnerable residents who would probably have difficulty getting to the Council hearing on 7/16/18. (I hope you will notice that many mobile home residents phoned in their testimony because they cannot afford a computer or internet access.)

Thank you for your consideration,

Susan Garber

Laurel, MD 20723

Sayers, Margery

From: awwit@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, July 15, 2018 1:09 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Bill CB55

I am adding my name and support for the abolishment of the Mobile Home tax in Howard County. it unfairly targets the poor and is a hardship for most who live in the the mobile homes.

Sincerely,
Ann Witten
10703 Shady Summer Dr.
Columbia, MD

Sayers, Margery

From: Mary Pat Donelan <marypatd@verizon.net>
Sent: Sunday, July 15, 2018 9:12 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Mobile Home Rental Tax

Howard County Council has introduced a bill (CB55) to abolish the Mobile Home Rental Tax. Please approve this bill.

Mary Pat Donelan
8816 Besthold Garth
Columbia, MD 21045

Sayers, Margery

From: Chris Davis <chriswd23@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 15, 2018 9:09 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: RENTAL TAX to be ABOLISHED !!

My name is Christopher Davis. I live in Deep Run Park with my wife and our son. If the tax were to be abolished, it would very much help me and my family. Obviously we live in a mobile home park, so we don't make a lot of money. So everywhere that we can save money, will help. Please abolish the tax.

Christopher Davis

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From: Egan, Jennifer A.
Sent: Friday, July 13, 2018 2:54 PM
To: Smith, Gary; Keller, Jessie; Pruiam, Kimberly; Bailey, Najee; Affolter, Melissa; Gelwicks, Colette; Clay, Mary; Singleton, Julia; Knight, Karen
Cc: Sayers, Margery
Subject: CB55 Support

Good Afternoon,
Nancy Sky called regarding CB55-2018 (repealing mobile home tax) she supports the legislation. Nancy called from 240-432-7050.

Thank you,
Jennifer Egan
Administrative Aide
County Council
410-313-3302