



Government affairs update for the week of May 25, 2025

San Leandro Moves Closer to Rent Control

The City of San Leandro wants more housing opportunities, safer streets and, some form of rent control - even if its not possible to have all three.

The San Leandro City Council Rules Committee met May 28 to discuss options for a rent stabilization (also known as "rent control") ordinance.

More than 20 members of the public testified during the meeting including tenant advocates and local rental housing providers.

There was some discussion between the Committee and City staff about why San Leandro lags in building more housing, the impact of restrictive rental housing policies on housing production and questions about allocating limited City financial and staff resources to implement rental housing policies versus investing in street repair and maintenance.

Ultimately, the Committee directed City staff to draft an ordinance that will cap rent increases at 5% annually and limit the amount of capital improvement costs that may be passed through to tenants. City staff indicated they will seek input from stakeholders while drafting the ordinance.

If you or your clients own or manage rental properties in San Leandro, please contact [David Stark](#) regarding updates and opportunities to share your perspective.

Bay East Pulse Survey - Your Side of the Story

The Bay East Pulse Survey is a new initiative to gather information about the realities of buying, selling and owning homes in our region.

Bay East will use information from these surveys to make sure the media, the general public and local lawmakers understand what's happening in real estate from our perspective.

Each brief survey will focus on a timely topic. This is your opportunity to tell your real estate story. Please participate in the first [Bay East Pulse Survey](#) today.

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