



Government Affairs Action for the week of May 31, 2020

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County Eviction Moratorium - Again

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors is trying again to enact a new eviction moratorium.

The Supervisors were set to approve this ordinance on June 2 but received so much opposition from rental property owners and managers that they delayed the vote until June 9 to make changes.

The latest version of the moratorium still makes it difficult to own and manage rental properties because it includes:

1. Giving tenants 12 months to repay overdue rent.
2. A moratorium on ALL evictions during the local health emergency regardless of cause. (An eviction is allowed if the property will be sold.)
3. The moratorium would apply to ALL cities in Alameda County unless they opt-out and have their own eviction moratorium.

Bay East has issued another [call-for-action](#) asking the Board of Supervisors to remove or modify these requirements.

Updated Shelter in Place Orders

Several Bay Area health departments are updating their Shelter in Place Orders, including Alameda County, Contra Costa County and Santa Clara County.

ALAMEDA COUNTY: Effective June 8, businesses and activities authorized under previous orders may continue. Commercial and residential real estate showing instructions remain unchanged. Face covering orders still apply. For business permitted to be open, Appendix A, previously known as the Social Distancing Protocol, has been replaced with the [Site Specific Protection Plan Template](#).

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY: Effective June 5, businesses and activities authorized under previous orders may continue. Commercial and residential real estate showing instructions remain unchanged. Face covering orders still apply. All office workplaces may now open for business, subject to restrictions in applicable industry [guidance](#) issued by the State of California and Appendix A of the Shelter in Place Order

SANTA CLARA COUNTY: Effective June 5, businesses and activities authorized under previous orders may continue. Commercial and residential real estate showing instructions remain unchanged. Face covering orders still apply and businesses must comply with [Appendix A](#).

Information about other health department orders are here:

[City of Berkeley](#)

[San Mateo County](#)

[City and County of San Francisco](#)

If you have any questions or any government-related real estate issues you want Bay East to research, please contact Bay East [staff](#).

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