

Tinti, Elisa

From: Shaut, Andrea
Sent: Monday, August 01, 2022 8:52 AM
To: Tinti, Elisa
Subject: FW: Communication for EPTA Tenant Mailer

Hi Elisa,

This came in late for communications, but it is a time-sensitive request. Can you please add it to August's Finance & Audit meeting?

Thank you!

Andrea

From: Hirsch, Michele
Sent: Friday, July 29, 2022 11:33 AM
To: Shaut, Andrea <ashaut@kingston-ny.gov>
Cc: Tinti, Elisa <emtinti@kingston-ny.gov>
Subject: Communication for EPTA Tenant Mailer

Dear President Shaut,

It is with great honor that I submit this communication the morning after the Kingston Common Council declared a Housing Emergency and will be opting in to the New York State Emergency Protection Act in order to protect tenants in buildings that are eligible under the provisions of the statute.

Time is of the essence in getting the information in the hands of tenants in these buildings that are eligible and I believe it is the City's responsibility to communicate this information as quickly, clearly and effectively as soon as possible.

I am requesting that the City of Kingston send a bi-lingual mailing to each apartment that is eligible under EPTA per our Building Department Landlord Registry. The mailer should contain information about the change in their building status and the current rent freeze including the role of the future Rent Guidelines Board. I also ask that a QR code not be used in this mailing and all information be printed on the flyer as many older residents may not have a smart phone which will defeat the purpose of the mailing. Can we also please include contact information for all Alderpersons in the event the tenants need to reach out to us. We have many new residents in these buildings and they may not yet know who their Alderperson is. I also request that the Council see a draft of the mailing and be allowed to provide feedback or edits.

I am happy to help volunteer my time to assist the Building Department in getting the mailing out as I know that they are extremely busy and we appreciate their hard work.

Thank you for assigning this communication to the appropriate committee.

With kind regards,