On Tuesday, March 24, 2020, the City Council passed “An Urgency Ordinance of the City of Mission Viejo, California, Prohibiting or Limiting Residential and Commercial Evictions Pursuant to and Consistent with Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-28-20” (Urgency Ordinance). The Urgency Ordinance places an eviction moratorium on both residential and commercial tenants and will remain in effect through May 31, 2020, unless extended by the City Council. The ordinance restricts an owner’s ability to evict a tenant for non-payment of all – or a portion of – rent if the tenant can demonstrate that the tenant is unable to pay full rent due to financial impacts related to COVID-19. The ordinance does not relieve the tenant of their obligation to pay rent. Rent is required to be paid in full within six months after the moratorium’s expiration. The Urgency Ordinance also provides strict requirements to establish proof that the tenant is financially impacted due to COVID-19).

March 25, 2020

/s/______________________  
Kimberly Schmitt  
City Clerk