

AMENDED URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 1832
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OROVILLE, CALIFORNIA ESTABLISHING A
TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON RESIDENTIAL RENT INCREASES IN THE CITY OF OROVILLE

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XI, Section 7 of the California Constitution, the City of Oroville may make and enforce all regulations and ordinances using its police powers; and

WHEREAS, the Camp Fire in the town of Paradise has forced approximately 30,000 people to evacuate; and

WHEREAS, the City of Paradise is only 17.34 miles from the City of Oroville; and

WHEREAS, the Camp Fire has burned more than 150,000 acres and destroyed more than 13,000 residences; and

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a State of Emergency for Butte County on November 8, 2018; and

WHEREAS, On November 12, 2018, the President of the United States issued a Major Disaster Declaration for Butte and other counties in the state of California; and

WHEREAS, landlords in the City of Oroville have an immediate incentive to increase rents to higher levels; and

WHEREAS, in order to preserve the public peace, health and safety, it is necessary to prevent residential rent increases beyond the state maximum during this devastating time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OROVILLE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. **Findings.** The City Council of the City of Oroville adopts and finds as true and correct, the aforementioned recitals and incorporate them herein as findings.

SECTION 2. **Imposition of Temporary Moratorium on Residential Rent Increases.** A temporary Moratorium on Residential Rent increases in excess of 10% of the rate charged prior to November 1, 2018 is hereby imposed for a period of ten (10) months and fifteen (15) days. During the Moratorium Period, no Landlord shall increase Rent for any Rental Unit in excess of 10% of the rate charged prior to November 1, 2018. This moratorium shall not apply to any rent increase which has become effective prior to the effective date of this Ordinance. The Moratorium may be extended pursuant to Government Code Section 65858.

SECTION 3. **Severability.** If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or word of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid and/or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. **Effective Date.** This Ordinance is an Urgency Ordinance enacted under California Government Code Sections 36934 and 36937(b). This Urgency Ordinance is immediately effective upon adoption by a four-fifths vote of the City Council.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing urgency ordinance was duly read and adopted at a regular meeting on 19th day of February 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:	Council Member Tomson, Hatley, Pittman, Smith, Draper, Goodson, Mayor Reynolds
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None



CHUCK REYNOLDS, Mayor

FORM APPROVED:

SCOTT HUBER, City Attorney

ATTEST: Feb. 22, 2019



JACKIE GLOVER, Assistant City Clerk