



## Contra Costa County

County Administrator's Office • 1025 Escobar Street • Martinez, CA 94553 • [www.contracosta.ca.gov](http://www.contracosta.ca.gov)

---

### NEWS RELEASE

November 17, 2020

Contact: Susan Shiu, PIO, 925-313-1180

[Susan.Shiu@contracostatv.org](mailto:Susan.Shiu@contracostatv.org)

### **Board of Supervisors Approves Ordinance to Extend Eviction Protection to Commercial Tenants**

(Martinez, CA) – At a Board meeting on November 17, 2020, the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors unanimously passed urgency ordinance 2020-29 to continue the temporary prohibition on evictions of certain small-business commercial tenants financially impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. This protection now continues through January 31, 2021. Protections for residential tenants were unchanged by the urgency ordinance and last through January 31, 2021. [Ordinance No. 2020-29](#) supersedes Ordinance No. 2020-26.

Contra Costa County's Urgency Ordinance 2020-29 provides protections pursuant to the Governor's [Executive Order N-80-20](#), which extends, through March 31, 2021, the authority of local jurisdictions to suspend the evictions of commercial tenants for the non-payment of rent if the non-payment was a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"The Board of Supervisors recognizes that the already struggling business environment has become even more challenging with the recent rise of COVID-19 cases," said Supervisor Candace Andersen, Board Chair. "As we follow public health orders and guidance intended to protect lives, we have to support businesses however we can."

Read the full document [Ordinance No. 2020-29 \(PDF\)](#). Find answers to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) regarding this ordinance on the [County website](#) soon.

For information and resources, visit Contra Costa County at [www.contracosta.ca.gov](http://www.contracosta.ca.gov). For COVID-19 updates, visit Contra Costa Health Services at <https://cchealth.org/coronavirus>. If you have questions about the coronavirus, contact the multilingual Call Center at 1-844-729-8410, open daily from 8 am to 5 pm. For assistance after hours in multiple languages, please call 211 or 800-833-2900 or text HOPE to 20121.

###