

November 5, 2022

Petaluma Mayor and City Council Members
City of Petaluma
11 English Street
Petaluma, CA. 94952

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CITY CLERK

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My specific situation: Still working

Signature

Print Name

Maria Colla

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My specific situation:

FIXED INCOME

Kathleen Carney

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My specific situation: WORKING TOWARDS RETIREMENT.

[REDACTED]
BRENT KRAUS
Print Name

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Stuart J. Dietrich

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My specific situation: Social Security is my only income, which is \$1,600 approx. monthly. I have savings of less than \$1,000.

I pay food, utilities, car insurance, TV cable etc. I'm 74 and in poor health, no family to help support me.

Markie Sanders
Print Name

I can't afford

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My specific situation: 75 and 83 year old couple living on a fixed income

Gregory Teeters

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My specific situation: Retired. I'm 66 years old. Living on SSI and

retirement

GARY COOTS
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My specific situation: Living on fixed income

[REDACTED]
Pam Long
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My specific situation: fixed income with hardly any extra money for simple pleasures like going to movies or out to eat. Vacations are out of the question.

[REDACTED] VERNA LEYBA
Print Name

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My specific situation: AFTER forced retirement in 2021 over
only source of income is Social Security. A 6% increase in rent is a significant challenge.
[redacted] STEVEN B KHAMM
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increase was the highest I've seen in the park for 17 years! Really

Disrespectful To Seniors who
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