

November 23, 2021

Dear Chairman Chandra Franklin-Womack,

As members of the Texas coastal legislative delegation, the undersigned legislators respectfully request that the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) Board reverse it's August, 2021 decision to increase residential and commercial rates by five percent.

We urge you not to consider any rate escalation for coastal policyholders, residents, and businesses at this time. Such an increase during an unprecedented season of economic distress causes additional and cruel financial burden on coastal residents and business owners.

Once again, we respectfully reiterate that the coastal delegation firmly opposes any rate increase on TWIA policyholders and request that the Board take all necessary action to overturn its prior decision.

Sincerely,

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November 30, 2021

Dear Chairman Chandra Franklin-Womack,

As members of the Texas coastal legislative delegation, the undersigned legislators respectfully request that the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) Board take any and all action to reverse the rate increase voted for by the TWIA board in August 2021. Please do not consider any rate increase on coastal policyholders, residents, and businesses at this time.

As you know, many TWIA policyholders must purchase flood coverage in addition to their wind and homeowners policies, a statutory requirement for properties located in a mandatory flood zone. While this coverage is important to the economic welfare and restoration of our communities to rebuild after large events, it is also important for the TWIA board to consider the overall economic impact on coastal policyholders who must bear these additional financial mandates. We bring this to your attention in light of recent federal action taken by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

As of October 1, 2021, a new ratemaking methodology adopted by FEMA went into effect, resulting in a significant rate increase for a majority of all flood insurance policyholders with coverage under the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Texas ranks 2nd highest among those states with the greatest number of NFIP policyholders in the United States, second only to Florida, with nearly 800,000 policies in effect. It is important to note, FEMA has not revised its pricing methodology since the 1970's and such sweeping change will negatively impact approximately 73% of all Texas NFIP policyholders. These policyholders could experience an annual increase upwards of \$240 or more. While we understand the TWIA board does not have any authority over FEMA's ratemaking process for NFIP policies, we do believe you have the ability to take into consideration the financial harm any rate increase would have on TWIA policyholders at this time.

Such a rate increase during an unprecedented season of economic distress causes additional and cruel financial burdens on coastal residents and business owners. However, the financial impact is not our only concern. In light of overwhelming support by the Texas Legislature during the 87th regular session, a new law was passed to ensure the TWIA board no longer took action to increase rates while a vacancy on the board existed. Rather than recognizing the will of the Texas Legislature, just days before the new law went into effect, the TWIA board voted to increase rates against its policyholders. This action is dishonorable and displays a lack of respect for the spirit of the law and the very legislators by which TWIA is governed.

Once again, we	respectfully reiterate that the coastal delegation firmly opposes any rate increase on TWIA
policyholders.	Please take any and all action to reverse the previously voted upon rate increase.
Sincerely,	

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December 3, 2021

Dear Chairman Chandra Franklin-Womack:

I respectfully urge the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) Board to halt any rate increases considered by the TWIA Board in its August 2021 meeting. Please vote NO on any proposed rate increases to TWIA residential and commercial policy holders.

Any TWIA rate increases, while our communities continue to struggle with the economic impacts of past tropical storms, Winter Storm Uri, and the COVID-19 pandemic, would further burden residents and businesses.

As a member of the Windstorm Insurance Legislative Oversight Board, I look forward to working with the TWIA Board to identify a sustainable and fair funding structure that provides affordable quality windstorm insurance to coastal residents and businesses without the consideration of rate increases.

Again, I urge you to stand with Coastal communities by reversing the previously adopted rate increase and reject any future proposed rate increases.

Thank you for your consideration and attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

Abel Herrero

State Representative, District 34

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TEXAS HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 37

December 3, 2021

Dear Chairman Chandra Franklin-Womack,

I am writing this letter to be submitted as public comment for the Board of Directors meeting on December 7, 2021. As a coastal resident, business owner, and Representative for House District 37, I urge the board to reverse its decision to increase residential and commercial rates by five percent.

During this time of unprecedented hardship, any rate increase would negatively impact coastal residents and businesses to a point to which some may not recover. The board has rightly maintained rates since 2019 and should continue to do so. The COVID-19 pandemic has forced businesses to tighten their budgets to survive. Increasing rates would add yet another obstacle to economic security and growth for the state of Texas. Coastal ports and surrounding businesses are not only critical to the region, but to the entire state's economy. Our coastal residents have also struggled with the financial impacts of the pandemic and continue to do so. They cannot afford the increased costs while continuing to provide for their families.

As a state, we must foster a friendly business environment and ensure that the cost of living does not exceed what the economic reality can provide. I strongly urge the board to reverse the rate increase and keep the current status quo until the economic hardship from this pandemic lets up.

Thank you,

Alex Dominguez

State Representative District 37



OFFICE OF PUBLIC INSURANCE COUNSEL

Melissa R. Hamilton, Public Counsel

December 3, 2021

Dear Chair and Members of the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) Board of Directors:

The Office of Public Insurance Counsel (OPIC) represents the interests of insurance consumers in this state and may appear or intervene as a matter of right on behalf of insurance consumers as a class in certain matters, including any proceeding in which the public counsel determines that insurance consumers need representation. Texas Insurance Code Sections 501.002, 501.153.

Pursuant to that authority, OPIC writes to reiterate the concerns raised by members of the Texas Legislature in their letter dated November 30, 2021, regarding the upcoming 5% rate increase, effective January 1, 2022, for TWIA policyholders.

In addition to the 5% increase, TWIA policyholders will also be affected by other premium increases. First, changes to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program's (NFIP) rating methodology will result in increased flood policy premiums for many costal Texas policyholders. Second, all TWIA policyholders not currently at the maximum limits that TWIA can write will be subject to increases based on TWIA's longstanding Automatic Adjusted Building Cost Endorsement. The practical effect of these limit increases will be increases in premiums to cover the increase in limits. Third, Commissioner's Order 2021-7013, increased the maximum limits TWIA can write for manufactured homes, so those TWIA policyholders with manufactured homes at the previous maximum limits will also be subject to an increase next year. Again, the practical effect of these increases will be an increase in premiums to cover the increase in limits.

Please also remember that all TWIA policyholders must purchase and shoulder the cost of a residential property policy to cover non-wind and hail risks for their property, in addition to their TWIA windstorm coverage.

Moreover, although Texas has surpassed the rest of the nation in its recovery from the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, some of the economic and financial challenges of the pandemic remain, and coastal communities are still dealing with them. To add a TWIA rate increase, an increase in liability limits (for many policyholders) and increases in FEMA NFIP policy premiums for many policyholders at this time increases the burden on TWIA policyholders. Accordingly, OPIC requests that the TWIA Board of Directors review the upcoming rate increase again before implementation and consider its effects on TWIA

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policyholders.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Melissa K. Hamilton

Sincerely,

Melissa R. Hamilton

Public Counsel

County of Nueces

ROBERT HERNANDEZ

Commissioner Precinct 1

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Commissioner Precinct 2



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JOHN MAREZ

Commissioner Precinct 3

BRENT CHESNEY

Commissioner Precinct 4

COMMISSIONERS COURT RESOLUTION (IN OPPOSITION TO TWIA RATE INCREASE)

WHEREAS, the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) Board met in August 2021 and voted to increase residential and commercial rates by five percent (5%);

WHEREAS, TWIA's next quarterly meeting is scheduled for December 7, 2021

WHEREAS, coastal residents and businesses are still attempting to recover from the economic distress caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as continuing to re-build after Hurricane Harvey;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS, is hereby opposed to any windstorm insurance rate increase and requests that the Texas Windstorm Insurance

Association take all necessary action to overturn its prior decision.

DULY ADOPTED BY VOTE OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 30th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2021.

ROBERT HERNANDEZ

Commissioner, Precinct 1

JOE A. GONZALEZ
Commissioner, Precinct 2

BARBARA CANALES

County Judge

Commissioner, Precinct 3

BRENT CHESNEY

JOHN MAREZ

Commissioner, Precinct 4

KARA SANDS, County Clerk



RESOLUTION OPPOSING TEXAS WINDSTORM INSURANCE ASSOCIATION RATE INCREASE

WHEREAS, the Port of Corpus Christi Authority of Nueces County, Texas (PCCA), and neighboring coastal cities were severely impacted by damages caused by Hurricane Harvey on August 25, 2017, and continues to struggle with the Covid-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Governor Greg Abbott first issued a disaster declaration on March 13, 2020, and renewed the declaration on August 8, 2020, for all counties in the state; and

WHEREAS, our Coastal Bend community is experiencing economic distress during the pandemic; therefore, prospective industry investment to the region will be affected by increased construction costs and higher premiums making it difficult for new developments to commit to the area; and

WHEREAS, Texas Windstorm Insurance Association's (TWIA) rapidly rising rates are also creating a serious hindrance to economic development along the Texas Gulf Coast; and

WHEREAS, the TWIA Board of Directors appointed an Actuarial Committee to conduct a thorough examination of rates and make a recommendation to the full TWIA Board concerning rates and the Actuarial Committee voted on December 1, 2020, to make no changes to current rates and requested additional studies should be conducted before a rate increase is considered;

WHEREAS, the TWIA Board on December 8, 2020, voted to increase TWIA rates by five percent despite the board agenda containing no specific agenda item relating to such a vote;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Port Commission respectfully requests that the Governor of the State of Texas, Greg Abbott use his authority under his disaster declaration to abate any rate increase on TWIA policyholders until the Legislature has the opportunity to examine needed reforms during the 87th Texas Legislative Session.

ADOPTED this the 15th day of December 2020, by the Port Commission of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority of Nueces County, Texas.

Charles W. Zahn, Jr.

Port Commission Chairman



December 3, 2021

Dear Chairman Chandra Franklin-Womack,

As CEO of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority, I request that the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) Board take any and all action to reverse the rate increase voted for by the TWIA board in August 2021. Please do not consider any rate increase on coastal policyholders, residents, and businesses at this time.

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Once again, I respectfully reiterate that the Port of Corpus Christi Authority firmly opposes any





rate increase on TWIA policyholders. Please take any and all action to reverse the previously voted upon rate increase.

Sincerely,

PORT OF CORPUS CHRISTI AUTHORITY

Sean C. Strawbridge Chief Executive Officer

cc:

Charles W. Zahn, Jr. Port of Corpus Christi Authority Chairman Honorable Juan "Chuy" Hinojosa – State Senator, District 20 Honorable Abel Herrero – State Representative, District 34 Honorable Todd Hunter – State Representative, District 32 Honorable J.M. Lozano – State Representative, District 43

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December 3, 2021

VIA E-MAIL: <u>PublicComment@TWIA.org</u>

Texas Windstorm Insurance Association 5700 Mopac Suite A Austin, Texas 78749 Attn: Chandra Franklin-Womack Chairman

Re: December 7, 2021, Board of Directors meeting

Dear Chairman Chandra Franklin-Womack,

I am Chairman of the Port of Corpus Christi Authority as well as Chairman of the Texas Windstorm Task Force representing individuals, businesses, agencies of government and organizations from Brownsville to Beaumont-Port Author. The Port of Corpus Christi and the Task Force are against the actions of the Board of Director at its last meeting wherein it raised windstorm rates.

Background

- The Port of Corpus Christi is the number one port in total revenue tonnage in the U.S.
- 3rd largest port in total waterway tonnage handling over 146 million cargo tons in 2020.
- \$150 billion economic impact on the U.S.
- \$19 billion economic impact on Texas.
- In the Coastal Bend, the port accounts for nearly 100,000 jobs from port-related activities and is responsible for \$6.2 billion in personal income for Texas.

Currently, our Coastal Bend community has over \$54 billion of infrastructure investments made by both the port and private industry underway in and around the Corpus Christi Ship Channel. As economic activity continues to grow on a state and national level, new businesses, additional jobs, and new partnerships will sustain the recovery of our state.

Higher insurance premiums affect construction costs, capital investment, and deters our ability to attract a highly skilled workforce to handle the anticipated growth. As you are aware, windstorm insurance coverage is not included with a standard homeowner policy. Our employees, residents who reside in the coastal regions of our state, or those considering relocating to the area

must purchase an additional policy whereas the rest of the state does not. This regional segregation of our state must end.

In late 2019, the Port of Corpus Christi Commission passed a resolution opposing any future TWIA rate increases. The Port of Corpus Christi Authority is committed to working with TWIA during the interim and the next legislative session to explore common-sense solutions to TWIA.

The Texas Legislature began the process in the 86th Legislature with HB 1900 to strengthen TWIA. They authorized two committees to solicit input on how this can be done neither of which have completed their assigned task primarily because of COVID 19. The 87th Legislature authorized the completion of the study and adopted legislation to protect the public that TWIA is supposed to serve.

In the 87th Legislative session, the legislature adopted legislation that directly affects the manner in which TWIA can consider and adopt windstorm rate increases. This legislation went into effect on September 1st and in accordance with its terms the TWIA Board could not have increased rates as they did at its August meeting. I believe the action taken by a majority of the TWIA Board in August of this year was a slap in the face to those who regulate you and your industry and was a direct circumvention of the will of the Texas legislature. I would ask that you rescind that action. Let the 87th Legislature's legislation become effective and conduct the studies necessary and mandated to help make TWIA stronger. To do so will ensure that the portion of the Texas economy that comes from the Texas Coast will remain strong.

Thank you for your time today and the opportunity to comment on the work you are doing.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Charles W. Zahn, Jr. Charles W. Zahn, Jr.



City of Corpus Christi

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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Ms. Chandra Franklin Womack, Chair Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) PO Box 99090 Austin, TX 78709

Dear Chairwoman Womack,

As the Mayor of Corpus Christi and a concerned resident in the Coastal Bend, I am writing you to express strong opposition to the action taken in August to increase windstorm insurance rates. I want to join with our coastal legislators and urge the board of the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) to reconsider the rate increase that you passed and request that you reverse course and vote NO RATE INCREASE.

The 86th Texas Legislature passed HB 1900 which created a Legislative Funding Oversight Committee to study TWIA's rate adequacy. The Legislative Oversight Committee was appointed but unable to complete its oversight work due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.

The 87th Legislature passed legislation to extend the work of the Legislative Oversight Committee to this biennium and passed other vital reforms to improve TWIA rate setting process and reinsurance forecasting. It is premature for TWIA to be proposing rate increases for residential and commercial policies before TDI and the Legislature implements these important statutory changes. TWIA is jumping the gun to push for rate increases while facing additional legislative oversight into the rate-setting process.

The Coastal Bend is still recovering from Hurricane Harvey and more recent impacts from Hurricane Hanna and Winter Storm Uri. In addition, the region is still recovering from an economic crisis driven by the COVID-19 pandemic. Our small businesses have been greatly impacted by the recession and we have seen a loss of jobs in our communities. A TWIA rate increase on top of the economic recession would be devastating to our regional economy and the entire Texas Coast.

There are sufficient premiums, assessments, and reinsurance to cover potential liabilities for 2022. As expressed in the attached Council Resolution, the City of Corpus Christi has been on record for many years opposing unnecessary TWIA rate increases and we will continue to advocate for our residents and our businesses to oppose any future rate increase for 2022.

I urge all board members to vote NO RATE INCREASE at the December board meeting and oppose all actions to increase windstorm insurance rates on the Texas Gulf Coast.

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Mayor

Resolution Opposing Texas Windstorm Insurance Association Rate Increase

WHEREAS, the City of Corpus Christi strives to encourage economic development and improve the quality of life for residents and businesses in the City;

WHEREAS, Hurricane Harvey made landfall as a Category 4 hurricane on the Texas coast on Friday, August 25, 2017, and battered and drenched Texas for days before finally moving out of the state. Hurricane Harvey was the first major hurricane to make landfall along the Middle Texas Coast since Hurricane Celia in 1970;

WHEREAS, more than three years after the storm, many of the Hurricane Harvey disaster declared communities are struggling to rebuild;

WHEREAS, Hurricane Hanna made landfall on the south Texas Coast on Saturday July 25, 2020:

WHEREAS, the City of Corpus Christi faces an economic crisis driven by the COVID-19 pandemic along with the downturn of the oil and gas industry. Our small businesses have been greatly impacted by the recession and we have seen a loss of jobs in our communities.

WHEREAS, the 86th Texas Legislature did act by passing HB1900, which creates a Legislative Funding Oversight Committee to study TWIA's rate adequacy; the Legislative Oversight Committee was appointed but unable to complete its oversight work due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions.

WHEREAS, the 87th Legislature passed legislation to extend the work of the Legislative Oversight Committee to this biennium and passed other vital reforms to improve TWIA rate setting process and reinsurance forecasting.

WHEREAS, this reform legislation should be implemented before consideration of new TWIA rate increases.

WHEREAS, there are sufficient premiums, assessments, and reinsurance to cover potential TWIA liabilities for 2022.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI continues its opposition to unnecessary increases in windstorm insurance rates and encourages the TWIA Board to implement the reform legislation passed in the 87th Legislative Session. A TWIA rate increase on top of the economic challenges caused by the COVID-19 pandemic would be devastating to our regional economy and the entire Texas Coast. VOTE NO RATE HIKE FOR 2022.



PASSED AND APPROVED on the	day of <u>July</u> , 2021:
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Gil Hernandez	
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ATTEST:	CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI
Rebecca Huerta City Secretary	Paulette M. Guajardo Mayor



City of Galveston

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December 2, 2021

Chandra Franklin-Womack, Chair Texas Windstorm Insurance Association Board P.O. Box 99090 Austin, TX 78709-9090

Dear Chairwoman Franklin-Womack,

I am writing to express strong opposition to action taken by the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) Board of Directors (the "TWIA Board") to increase premium rates. Further, I want to join our coastal legislators in requesting that the TWIA Board reverse the five (5) percent premium rate increase approved by the TWIA Board on August 3, 2021. By increasing premium rates at this time, the TWIA Board appears to be attempting to preemptively circumvent the intent of the 87th Texas Legislature to conduct a thorough examination of TWIA funding structure.

The City of Galveston supports the critical TWIA legislation enacted by the 87th Legislature relating to TWIA administration and funding structure. Effective September 1, 2021, S.B. 1448, authored by State Senator Larry Taylor and sponsored by State Representative Greg Bonnen MD, directs: 1) a Legislative Funding and Funding Structure Oversight Board to review and provide recommendations on TWIA's funding and funding structure and merging TWIA with the Texas FAIR Plan Association, alternative property insurance for underserved areas in Texas; and 2) requires a two-third vote of the TWIA Board to approve a premium rate increase.

Since 1971, the TWIA role has been "the insurer of last resort" as a primary retail insurance provider in the fourteen (14) counties along the Texas coastline. Over the past 47 years, the Texas Legislature has attempted to correct a myriad of financial, adjudication, and policy problems, with the most recent major TWIA reforms occurring in 2011 and 2015. However, escalating premium rates have made this essential protection an unaffordable burden for many working coastal families and small businesses with little relief in sight.

Through current statutory authority, TWIA is empowered to take a different approach that doesn't place the heaviest burden on struggling consumers. TWIA may draw upon a more balanced approach through member insurance company assessments, bonds, and premiums to offset losses. With a thorough assessment of TWIA's funding structure, further reforms will likely be identified to empower TWIA with alternative approaches that can avoid placing the heaviest burden on families and businesses.

Urgent action by the TWIA Board should include identifying effective credits that recognize the efforts of home and business owners to improve a structure's resiliency. Enhanced incentives to builders who are building fortified homes to withstand wind and storm loss produces a resilient housing inventory that is more cost-effective with reduced risk. Moreover, fair and achievable retrofit credits will incentivize property owners to make resiliency improvements, but allow flexibility for phased credits to accommodate the affordability of such renovations. Currently, TWIA only offers a ten (10) percent discount when all exterior openings are upgraded, rather than allowing credits for work accomplished. As a result, such renovations often remain out of reach financially for many owners.

Rather than taking on another band-aid approach to correct a dysfunctional system by pursuing the current five (5) percent premium rate increase, the TWIA Board should work with the Legislative Funding and Funding Structure Oversight Board to evaluate alternative approaches. The funding structure review to ensue with enactment of S.B. 1448 presents an opportunity to closely examine methods and benefits to policyholders and the state by transitioning TWIA towards a reinsurer role. For example, assess a TWIA reinsurance provider role that effectively partners with the private insurance market by addressing the significant number of smaller windstorm claims through a low-cost attachment, thus restricting TWIA coverage to claims above \$25,000.

S.B. 1448 directs that work by the Legislative Funding and Funding Structure Oversight should include examining how the catastrophic risk pools of other states operate to close the insurance protection gap. Florida's approach provides beneficial evidence of a coordinated public and private sector approach. The Florida Hurricane Catastrophe Fund (FHCF) and Florida Citizens Property Insurance Corporation (FCPIC) as examples where risk transfer has been used effectively by state programs. Closer examination is needed to understand the benefits of how these two Florida entities interact with each other and the private market to reduce insurance costs.

Preserving affordable windstorm coverage is essential for sustaining a workforce on the Texas coast that provides services for critical Texas industries. I urge the TWIA Board to reverse the five (5) percent premium rate increase approved at the August meeting. Instead, work with stakeholders and legislators to identify meaningful restructuring improvements for TWIA that will provide long-term solutions that achieve affordable quality windstorm insurance for property owners in Texas.

I want to thank you for this opportunity to provide written comments. The City of Galveston stands ready to assist the TWIA Board as you evaluate and weigh alternatives and recommendations to improve TWIA and provide sustainable, affordable windstorm protection.

Sincerely,

Craig Frown

c: The Honorable Larry Taylor, State Senator, District 11

The Honorable Brandon Creighton, State Senator, District 4

The Honorable Mayes Middleton, State Representative, District 23

The Honorable Greg Bonnen, State Representative, District 24



December 1, 2021

Texas Windstorm Insurance Association 5700 S. MoPac Expy Building A Austin, Texas 78749

Re: Agent Commission discussion

Dear TWIA Board,

My name is Lee Loftis, and I am Chief Legislative Officer for the Independent Insurance Agents of Texas (IIAT). I am writing today to provide clarification to some misinformation that has been provided in a previous TWIA Board meeting as well as an Actuarial Committee meeting about agent commissions.

It has been expressed that agents' commissions paid by the standard or voluntary markets is 10%. This may be the case for some insurance companies, but it is not consistent with what is paid to independent insurance agents. I have provided TWIA with copies of rate filings made by three independent insurance companies who write a significant amount of homeowners business in Texas. The commissions are a required part of every rate filing and can be found on the Texas Department of Insurance website and is available information for anyone to review.

As you will see, the three companies commission rates range from 15.4% to 17.1%, which is inline with what is being paid by TWIA currently. As well as hoping to correct previously reported commission rates, it is important to look at total expense ratios as a whole, rather than segmenting pieces of the expense ratio to fit ones argument. Companies often report their expense ratio, of which commissions is one part. Depending on the amount of work done by the company vs what is expected of the agent, the expense rations can vary by segment, but usually do not vary greatly when viewed in total. It only makes sense that work offloaded to the agent, lessens the cost on the company or in this case, TWIA.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide you with documentation of what agents receive from their standard markets and I am happy to discuss this further with you at any time.

Regards,

Lee Loftis

IIAT Chief Legislative Officer

TEXAS QUANTUM HOMEOWNERS 2.0

TRAVELERS PERSONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

Expenses and Permissible Loss & LAE Ratios

Fixed Expense	
(1) Other Acquisition	2.6%
(2) General Expense	6.1%
(3) Installment Fees	-0.6%
(4) Total Fixed Expense = (1) + (2) + (3)	8.1%
Variable Expense	
(5) Commissions	15.4%
(6) Taxes, Licenses and Fees	2.3%
(7) Disallowed Expenses	-0.1%
(8) Total Variable Expense = (5) + (6) + (7)	17.6%
(9) Profit Margin	9.8%
(10) Permissible Loss, LAE and Fixed Expense Ratio = 100% - (8) - (9)	72.6%
(11) Permissible Loss & LAE Ratio = 100% - (4) - (8) - (9)	64.5%

Notes:
Quantum Homeowners 2.0 Introduced 08/19/2018, data not available
Expenses and Profit Provision: 12/26/2020 Quantum Homeowners filing
Exhibit 13 represents the Writing Companies for Quantum Homeowners

Chubb Group Homeowners Filing

Development of Profit Provision

C Commission/Brokerage	17.1%
OG General & Other Acquisition	8.3%
t Taxes, Licenses, Fees	1.9%
UWP Pre Tax Profit from UW	10.0%
Re Reinsurance	2.3%
PLR Permissible Loss & LAE Ratio	60.4%
Total	100.0%

Financial Calculations

	Pre Tax	Post Tax	Post Tax Formulas
Profit from UW	7.5%	6.0%	(S/E) (1.0- TaxU) [(P/S) (UWP)]
Profit from II on PH Funds Profit from II on SU Funds	1.0% 3.4%	0.8% 2.8%	(S/E) (1.0- Taxl) [(P/S) (Y) ((LRes*PLR)+PRes-AgBal)] (S/E) (1.0- Taxl) [(Y)]
Profit Total = ROE (% Equity)	12.0%	9.6%	Sum
Profit from UW Profit from II on PH Funds	10.0% 1.4%	7.9% 1.1%	(1.0 -TaxU) [UWP] (1.0 -TaxI) [(Y) ((LRes*PLR)+PRes-AgBal)]
Operating Income (% EP)	11.4%	9.0%	Sum

Variables

Ratio Premium to Surplus Ratio Surplus to Equity Asset Yield Ratio (Pre Tax) Income Tax Rate UW Income Income Tax Rate INV Income UW Profit Provision (Pre Tax) Loss Reserves (% Loss) UPR Reserves (% EP) Agent Bal's (% EP) deduction	0.754 1.000 3.4% 21.0% 17.4% 10.0% 0.449 0.372 <u>0.249</u>	P/S S/E Y TaxU TaxI UWP L Res Ratio P Res Ratio Ag Bal Ratio	Exhibit 8.5	
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Safeco Insurance

Homeowners

Texas

Projected Expenses (As Percent of Earned Premium)

Dwellings

8				
	Total	Variable	Fixed	
Commissions	15.4%	15.4%	0.0%	
Other General & Acquisition	6.8%	0.1%	6.7%	
Tax	2.0%	2.0%	0.0%	
Profit	17.1%	17.1%	0.0%	
Contingency	1.0%	1.0%	0.0%	
Total Expense Ratio	42.3%	35.6%	6.7%	
Total Trended Expense Ratio	42.3%	35.6%	6.7%	

Calculation of Annual Fixed Expense Ratio Trend Factor	or
Projected Annual Fixed Expense Ratio Trend	1.000
Average Date of Experience Period	1/1/2017
Average Fixed Expense Incurred Date Under Proposed Rates	11/9/2021
Length of Trend Period in Years	4.9
Fixed Expense Ratio Trend Factor	1.000

Expense as % Premium	2015	2016	2017	2018	Selected
Commissions	16.7%	14.9%	15.6%	14.2%	15.4%
General * & Acquisition	6.9%	7.4%	6.9%	5.8%	6.8%
Expense as % Loss	2015	2016	2017	2018	Selected
Loss Adjustment Expense	12.2%	6.7%	12.5%	16.5%	12.0%

 $[\]ast$ The selected general expense provision does not exceed 110% of the industry median in ordinance with Section 2251.002 (1).



December 2, 2021

Re: Agent Commission discussion

Dear TWIA Board:

The TWIA Agent's Advisory Group was formed in 2014 and is comprised of 9 agents representing a cross section of the TWIA agent community based on agency size, type, and geographic location. The AAG meets with TWIA staff quarterly and participation is voluntary and unpaid.

The membership of the AAG consists of Independent Agents and high-volume exclusive agencies which are USAA, Texas Farm Bureau and State Farm.

The AAG is a workgroup charged with working with staff to foster open and transparent communications and the Charter also lists the following under our Purpose:

- 1. Facilitate effective communications between TWIA staff, agents, and policyholders;
- 2. Develop a clear understanding of agent and policyholder perspectives on mutually important issues;
- 3. Provide agents with advance notice of major initiatives affecting agents and policyholders and opportunities to discuss before, during, and after implementation;
- 4. Create a forum to gather representative agent input and feedback to assist TWIA staff and the Association's Board of Directors in making fully informed decisions as well as program modifications to enhance mutual success; and
- 5. Solicit ideas that can help TWIA staff fulfill its mission to policyholders as cost effectively as possible.

There are items in your board packet today pertaining to the commission discussion which the AAG has not had the opportunity to review and discuss. In addition, Elevate is not scheduled to launch until April 2022.

On behalf of the AAG, I am asking the TWIA Board to not consider taking action on agent's commissions until Elevate has been fully launched and has proven to be successful for agents after the first year of implementation.

Thank ou.

Garry P. Kaufman

Chair, TWIA Agents Advisory Group

From:

Sent: Sunday, November 28, 2021 10:00 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: No rate hike;reverse Aug rate increase

Sent from my iPhone

From: Theresa Elliott <te@casadelmartx.com>
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 10:02 PM

To: PublicComment Cc: Stephanie Haynes

Subject: TWIA Rates

On behalf of the 276 individually owned condominiums at Casa del Mar, we support the Texas Coastal Legislative Delegations request to reverse the 5% Rate increase on residential and commercial policies.

Theresa Elliott
General Manager
Casa del Mar Beachfront Suites
6102 Seawall
Galveston, TX 77551
409-740-2431
409-572-1010 (Direct)
409-744-8896 (Fax)
www.casadelmartx.com

From:

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:25 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Rate Hike Under Consideration at your Dec 7th Meeting, Corpus Christi

Members of the TWIA Commission -

No rate hike.

Thank you.



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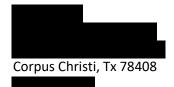
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:21 PM

To: Subject: PublicComment August 2022 Rate Hike

Members of the TWIA Commission -

Please accept this communication as a formal request to reverse the rate rate you approved this past August, 2022.

Thanking you in advance for acting on this request.



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From:

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:19 PM

To:

PublicComment

Subject:

Rate Hike Under Consideration at Your December 7th Meeting

Members of the TWIA Commission-

No rate hike. Thank you.

Portland, TX 78374

From:

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 9:14 PM

To: Subject: PublicComment August 2022 Rate Hile

Members of the TWIA Commission -

Please accept this communication as a formal request to reverse the rate rate you approved this past August, 2022.

Thanking you in advance for acting on this request.

Portland, Tx

From: Elke Gonzalez <elke@ccarmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 2:21 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!

As a resident of Padre Island and the CEO of the Corpus Christi Association of REALTORS® that represents more than 2000 REALTORS® and other real estate professionals in the coastal bend area, I ask that you DO NOT increase rates.

Thank you,



Elke R. Gonzalez

Chief Executive Officer

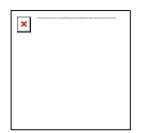
Office: 361-991-8221 Direct: 361-434-0590 4825 Everhart Road Ste 1 Corpus Christi, TX 78411

www.ccaronline.com

From: Brett Stawar «bstawar@visitportaransas.com>
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 12:27 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: NO RATE INCREASE!!!!!



BRETT STAWAR PRESIDENT & CEO

Port Aransas Tourism Bureau & Chamber of Commerce bstawar@visitportaransas.com visitportaransas.com 361.749.5919 ext. 808 c. 618.696.6477



From:

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 12:03 PM

To: Subject: PublicComment
No Rate Increase!!!

No Rate Increase!!!



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From:

Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 11:34 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: No rate increase

No rate increase.



From:	
Sent:	Monday, November 29, 2021 11:17 AM
To:	PublicComment

Subject: PublicComment No Rate Increase

No rate increase

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From: Jane Gimler <jgimler@abctcb.org>
Sent: Monday, November 29, 2021 11:07 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** NO Rate Hike

ABC TX Coastal Bend Chapter says: NO RATE HIKE

Thank you,

Jane Gimler

President/CEO

Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc.

Texas Coastal Bend Chapter

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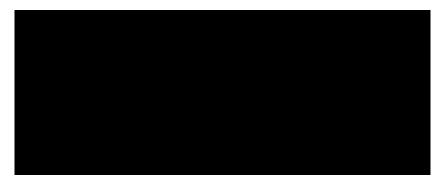
Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 7:42 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Rate hike

No rate hike. Your fees are outrageous already. People are still recovering from previous storms.

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 7:40 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Hike

NO TWIA rate hike!!!

From: Jeffrey Blanchard, REALTOR <ccrealtorjeff@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 7:20 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!!!

NO RATE HIKE!!!

Respectfully, Jeffrey Blanchard

REALTOR - Corpus Christi Realty Group

2021 Secretary/Treasurer - corpus Christi Association of REALTORS

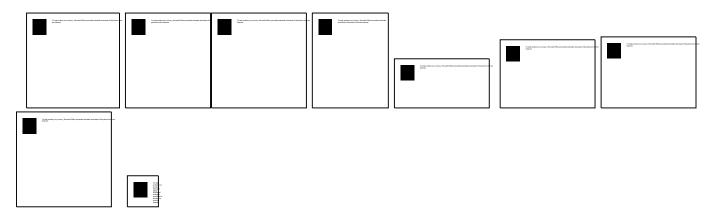
President - Blanchard Tax, Inc.

Coastal Bend Homeowner

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Texas law requires all license holders to provide the <u>TREC Information About Brokerage Services (IABS)</u> and <u>TREC Consumer Notice</u> forms to all prospective clients.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey Blanchard, E.A., CTRS, REALTOR®

Certified Tax Resolution Specialist (CTRS with ASTPS.com)

Corpus Christi Realty Group (CCRG) - Broker Lic# 476603

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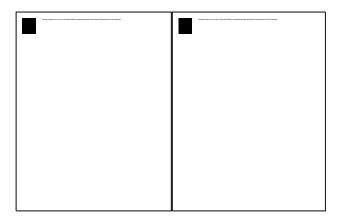
Island Office:

15217 S. Padre Island Dr., Ste. 108 Corpus Christi, TX 78418 Direct: 361.232.1378 Fax: 361.400.5730

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 7:16 PM

To: Subject: PublicComment No TWIA Rate hike

No TWIA Rate hike

From:

Tuesday, November 30, 2021 7:10 PM PublicComment Sent:

To: Subject: No Rate Hike!!!

From: Hannah Poe <hpoerealtor@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 6:39 PM

To:PublicCommentSubject:Public comment

NO RATE HIKE

Hannah Poe, REALTOR® eXp Realty (936) 537-0594

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 4:45 PM

To: Subject: PublicComment NO RATE HIKE

NO RATE HIKE

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:59 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

NO RATE HIKE!

Stop raising our windstorm rates!

Sent from the all new AOL app for iOS

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:55 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

To whom it may concen,

NO RATE HIKE on the island.

From: Tara Gallaspy <taragallaspy@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:52 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!!

NO RATE HIKE!!!--

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Licensed in the State of Texas

License 0572405

From: Coral Dworaczyk <coral@southcoasttexas.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:48 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No TWIA Rate Hike!

No TWIA Rate Hike!

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M. Coral Dworaczyk, M.S., Ph.D.
REALTOR®, Texas Residential Leasing Specialist
2019 REALTOR of the Year- Corpus Christi Association of REALTORS

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:43 PM

To:PublicCommentSubject:NO RATE HIIKE

Please consider your home owner that you represent and vote for "NO RATE HIKE". We do not need any additional costs added to our current home expenses. Thank you for your service and consideration.



From: Pat Rios <mayor@cityofrockport.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:41 PM

To: PublicComment

Cc:todd@hunterhandel.comSubject:TWIA Proposed Rate Increase

Please, do not raise the current rates.

Thank you.

Patrick R. Rios, CMO Mayor 361-205-2172 cell

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:25 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No TWIA Rate Hike

Hello-

I am a property owner and REALTOR® in Nueces county. I would like to ask the TWIA board to reconsider their rate increase from August. I am asking for NO TWIA RATE HIKE for coastal Texas property owners.

Thank you,



<u>Texas Real Estate Commission Information About Brokerage Services</u> <u>Texas Real Estate Commission Consumer Protection Notice</u>



From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 3:01 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate Hike

Not rate hike

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Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:59 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No TWIA rate hike

No TWIA rate hike

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:52 PM

To:PublicCommentSubject:No HIKES!!!

To whom it may concern,

The Coastal Bend deals with enough as is, higher rates will only hurt during this time of economic crisis.



From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:19 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Public Comment for rate increase

I am against a rate increase as this insurance is punitive for coastal homeowners in Texas.

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:13 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** Re: rate hike

NO rate hike!

Corpus Christi, TX 78413

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:10 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!!

NO RATE HIKE!!

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:09 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!!

NO RATE HIKE!!

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:09 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!!

NO RATE HIKE!!

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:09 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No Rate Hike

NO RATE HIKE!!

From:	
Sent:	Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:32 PM
То:	PublicComment
Subject:	NO RATE HIKE

No rate hike!!

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:28 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!

NO RATE HIKE!



From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:46 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No 5% rate hike

No 5% Rate hike ... tax the whole state ... not just the coastal areas. Keep foreclosures down!

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From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 1:15 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:47 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

Quit discriminating against the 14 coastal counties. Spread it out amongst all Texans. Why should the coastal counties pay for yearly hail storms in the north but the north doesn't pay for our storm that may or may not come?

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:46 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike



From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:46 PM

To: Subject: PublicComment Windstorm Insurance

NO RATE HIKES!!

From:	
Sent:	Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:46 PM
To:	PublicComment

PublicComment No rate hike

No rate hike

Subject:

Thank you,

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:46 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike

No rate hike!



From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:46 PM

To: PublicComment; Bart Braselton

Subject: No Rate Hike

My name is , and I oppose the TWIA rate hike

Sent from my iPhone

From: Terry Knesek <terry.knesek@caliberhomeloans.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:45 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike

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From:	
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Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:45 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike

No rate hike.



Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:		
Sent:		
To:		

Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:45 PM

PublicComment No Rate Hike

No Rate Hike

Sincerely,

Subject:

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:45 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike!

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:45 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No twia rate hike

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:45 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Rates

We vote no rate hike! Keep rates affordable.

Thanks,

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:45 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Rates

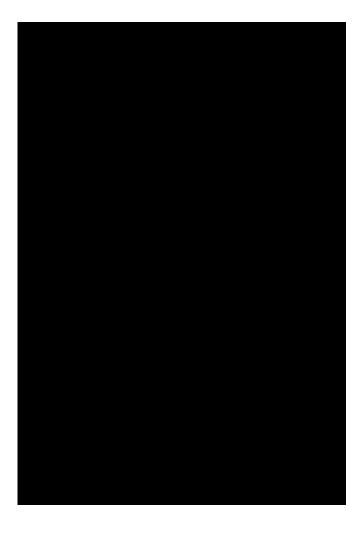
No rate hike!!

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:45 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike

No rate hike



From: Shari Kirk, REALTOR <sharikirkrealtor@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:44 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No Rate Hike

I oppose a rate hike! --Shari Kirk, REALTOR Coastal Country Real Estate 361-944-3120 100 W Sinton Street Sinton, Texas 78387

From: Jeaneal Dennis <jdennis@firsttitlecb.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 12:44 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

We are against a rate hike!!!!

Merry CHRISTmas! We will be closed <u>Thursday</u>, <u>December 23rd</u> and <u>Friday December 24th</u> in observance of Christ's Birthday!

Happy New Year 2022! We will be closed Friday, December 31st.

Due to the recent increase in COVID we respectfully ask that only necessary buyers and sellers come to the office to sign documents. Thank you for understanding.



Jeaneal Dennis Marketing Representative First Title Company (361) 537-2583

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To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike

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Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:37 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike

Sent from my iPhone

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Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:36 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:34 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No Rate Hike

To TWIA Board Members:

NO RATE HIKE! I am a taxpaying citizen of Nueces County and I've had enough. No rate hike. PERIOD. Respectfully,

From:

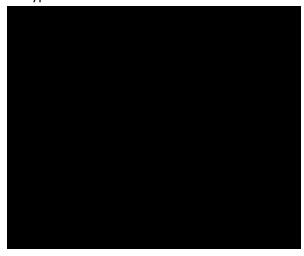
Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 11:09 AM

To:PublicCommentSubject:No Rate Hike!

As a homeowner at , I request NO RATE HIKE!!!

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 11:52 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No TWIA Rate Hike

Texans cannot afford another rate hike!

NO TWIA RATE HIKE!!

<u>Texas Real Estate Commission Information About Brokerage Services</u>



From:

Wednesday, December 1, 2021 6:39 PM PublicComment Sent:

To: Subject: No Rate Hike

No Rate Hike

Thank you



From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 4:27 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: "No Rate Hike"

No Rate Hike Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 4:07 PM

To:

PublicComment

Subject:

Rate Hike

I am a homeowner in Nueces County since 2004. I will literally have to sell my house and move if there is a rate hike for windstorm.....or any other taxes, for that matter. An increase would mean moving out of the school district that my children are currently attending. A rate hike would cause me and my family a financial hardship that I/we can't tolerate.

Thank you for allowing the public to comment on the potential hike.

Corpus Christi, Toyas

Corpus Christi, Texas 78412

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 3:29 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!

NO RATE HIKE!

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TREC Consumer Protection



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From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 3:29 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** Twia Board Meeting

I am against any windstorm rate increase by the TWIA Board of Directors and ask that the incrase passed at your last meeting be reversed.

Port Aransas, Texas

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 1:59 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!!!!

NO RATE HIKE!!!!!

Island Residents

From:	
Sent:	Wednesday, December 1, 2021 1:56 PM
T	Dulati - Carana ant

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No Rate Hike

Dear Chairman Chandra Franklin-Womack,

I respectfully request that the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) Board reverse it's August, 2021 decision to increase residential and commercial rates by five percent.

I urge you not to consider any rate escalation for coastal policyholders, residents, and business at this time. Such an increase during an unprecedented season of economic distress causes additional and cruel financial burden on coastal residents and business owners.

Once again, I respectfully reiterate opposition to any rate increase on TWIA policyholders and request that the Board take all necessary action to overturn its prior decision.

Sincerely,



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From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 12:26 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Please NO TWIA RATE HIKE

Respectfully,

From:

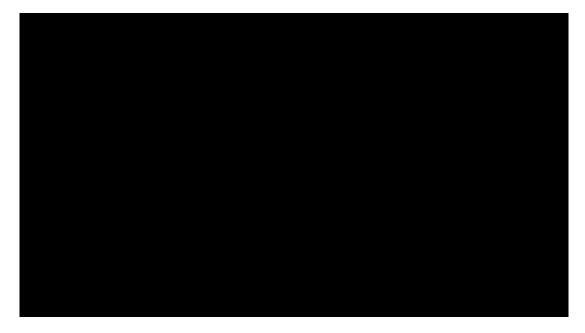
Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 12:12 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No TWIA Rate Hike

Good afternoon,

I understand that the TWIA Board approved a 5% rate increase during the August 2021 meeting and will be reconsidering this decision at the next Board meeting. I'm sending this message to share my position that I'm against any rate hikes, especially those that unfairly allocate these rates onto those living in the coastal communities, such as this one. Please vote against this rate hike!

Thank you,



From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 11:47 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 11:47 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: No rate hike. Reverse Aug rate increase, please!

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 10:07 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: No Rate Hike

These last couple of years have been financially stressful for so much of our population that it is personally insulting to consider carrying over the August decision. Life in general has been so disrupted and we keep wondering when will life be "normal" again and "how much more can we take". Do your part and strike down the August decision for the 5% increase and allow us to continue in our recovery.

Thank you,

Proud Citizen of Corpus Christi, TX

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:57 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!



From:

Sent:

To: Subject:

78418

Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:54 AM

PublicComment No Rate Hike

No Rate Hike on TWIA

Corpus Christi, TX

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:51 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

I do not want the rate increased.

Corpus Christi, TX 78415

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:40 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: No Rate Hike!!!

Please, No Rate Hike! -

Sent from $\underline{\text{Mail}}$ for Windows

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:32 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: NO RATE HIKE by 12:00pm on Friday, December 3rd

NO RATE HIKE by 12:00pm on Friday, December 3rd

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:16 AM

To:PublicCommentSubject:NO RATE HIKE

Please count this as a big fat **NO** for my vote on any rate hike proposals.

I am still not over the very poor service I received from TWIA, while recovering from Hurricane Harvey in 2017. The amount of money I received did not cover necessary repairs, and the service I received from my case manager

was despicable. She never once took and of my phone calls, nor returned any of my phone calls.

When TWIA proves it has made any improvements in service, I'll vote accordingly.

Respectfully,



From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:12 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: PublicComment

No rate hike!

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:11 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

The Coastal Bend area already suffers enough having to pay the steep price for TWIA.

It makes home ownership difficult for millennials like myself unaffordable. Communities will perish without the next generation.

Millennials are leaving this area for places with more obtainable housing- do you want this trend to continue?

No rate hike!



From:	
Sent:	Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:11 AM
To:	PublicComment

Wind insurance rates are already not competitive with other states. As a previous resident of Florida, I can tell you personally that the cost of this particular insurance is onerous as it currently is.

Any rate increase would be both unreasonable, and incredibly difficult for people of moderate means to bear.

Regards,

Sent from my iPad

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:07 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

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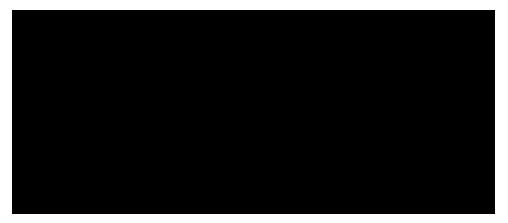
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From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:08 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

NO RATE HIKE



From:	
Sent:	Wednesday, December 1, 2021 9:05 AM
To:	PublicComment

No Rate Hike

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 8:57 AM

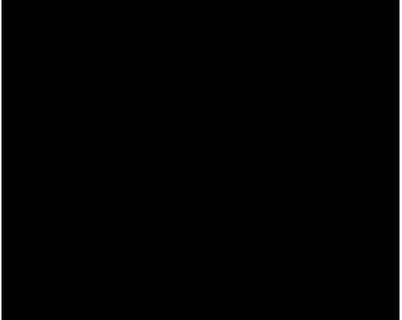
To: PublicComment

Subject: Proposed Rate Increase

Good morning,

I would like to express my personal plea opposing the 5% TWIA rate increase for windstorm coverage. The current costs are quite high, and a 5% increase would make them potentially cost prohibitive for a lot of coastal area citizens. The impact on homeowners, as well as the real estate market, could be detrimental.

Thank you for your consideration.



From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 8:56 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No Rate Hike

Please vote for No Rate Hike to TWIA consumers this year.

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From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 8:45 AM

To:PublicCommentSubject:No rate hike

TWIA should not raise the rates on windstorm insurance. I am on a fixed income, and I can't afford any new expenses. Inflation is burning up in any extra cash that I have. I worked hard all my life, and now I am just barely getting by. Please don't raise the rates.

Thank you,

Corpus Christi

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 8:43 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

I am saying NO to a rate hike.





From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 8:40 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO Rate Hike

NO RATE HIKE!

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 8:36 AM

To:PublicCommentSubject:NO RATE HIKE

Good morning,

I was made aware this morning of an upcoming meeting on Dec 7th here in Corpus Christi to discuss the 5% rate hike from August. Unfortunately, I will be unable to attend the meeting, but I wanted to share my concerns with being able to afford the continued increased in TWIA rates. I know that I am not alone in my desire to pay less, but the insurances needed to live here make it almost unaffordable to own or rent property. Please consider people like me, and those less fortunate, that simply can't afford a rate hike.

Best,

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 8:26 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: No rate hike

From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 8:24 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No Rate Hike

No Rate Hike - Windstorm rates are already at an alltime high. We cannot afford a rate hike.

Sincerely,



From:

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 8:22 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

NO RATE HIKE

From: Agent Services

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 8:05 AM

To: Communications

Subject: FW: New TWIA submission from TWIA-Contact

From: notify@noreply.twia.org <notify@noreply.twia.org>

Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 7:13 AM **To:** Agent Services <agentservices@TWIA.ORG> **Subject:** New TWIA submission from TWIA-Contact

Email Email Best Time to Call Morning (7am - 12pm) Subject Commissions Message As a resident of Ingleside, TX I am opposed to the proposed 5% rate hike and respectfully request all Board members to vote

From:

Sent: Tuesday, November 30, 2021 2:58 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: NO to TWIA Tax Increase!

I have lived on the Gulf Coast in Corpus Christi for over 40 years. I am a constituent that pays taxes and insurance for my properties and I'm begging you to vote NO to a TWIA rate hike! It will have a negative affect on the gulf coast communities decreasing opportunities for residents to attain affordable housing.

Thank you,

Compus Christi

Corpus Christi, 78418

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 5:53 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** Agents commissions

As a coastal agent who has spent my entire adult life living and investing, I would like to weigh in on the issue of agents commission.

As insurance agents, we are truly small business persons who love and work in our communities.

Trimming expenses is always a management first idea. This usually comes from people who have never ever done our work.

My idea is to reduce the TWIA workforce by the same percentage as the reduction of agents commissions! Let's also go ahead and cut salaries for management folks at the same rate!

These folks provide little value to the equation except monitoring what other true workers are doing!

We, as agents, have to maintain separate files, separate computers and separate personnel to manage our TWIA policy holders. It is an expensive proposition and we struggle with find qualified workers. Cutting our rates will only reduce our effectiveness!

Thank you for your consideration

37 year Independent contractor Agent

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 3:26 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** 5% rate hike

As a coastal community resident I request you rescind the 5% rate hike.

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 2:33 PM

To: PublicComment Subject: PublicComment

To the TWIA Board of Directors and also to Whom Else It May Concern

If what Representative Mayes Middleton has relayed to his constituents that the TWIA board elected to implement a rate hike

Prior to new 2022 requirements being implemented and that this rate hike was implemented in 2021 and would not have been

Allowed under the new requirement effective on and after January 1, 2022.

I can only describe the actions of the TWIA Board as Underhanded and against the intent and spirit of the laws & regulations of

The State of Texas.

Your actions are very disappointing, but I expect that if this actions stands, that you have not heard the last from Representative Middleton.

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From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 12:14 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** reverse rate increase

I beg that the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association (TWIA) Board take any and all action necessary to reverse the rate increase voted for by the TWIA board in August 2021.

Please do not consider any rate increase on coastal policyholder residents and businesses at this time.

Thank you for your consideration.

From:

To: Subject:

Sent:

Friday, December 3, 2021 11:57 AM

Public Comment

TWIA - No Rate Hike

No Rate Hike!

Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:54 AM

To:

Subject: Jennifer Baboolal- 2425 Orleans lane, Seabrook TX 77586

PublicComment

Good afternoon,

I'd like to go on record to rescind the August 2121 rate hike. The rate should not have been increased prior to the law change.

Respectfully,

Coastal property owner Seabrook, TX 77586

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:45 AM

To: PublicComment

Cc: mayes@mayesmiddleton.com

Subject: FW: Make Your Voice Heard! TWIA Board Meeting Next Week

In view of the recent action by the Texas Legislature, do the right thing and resend the recent rate increase for coastal residents.

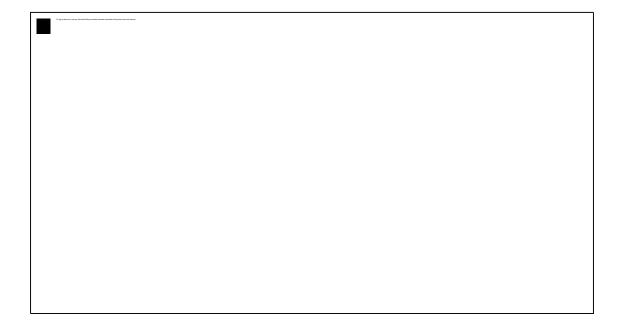
Kind regards,

From: Mayes Middleton <mayes@mayesmiddleton.com>

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 9:33 AM

To:

Subject: Make Your Voice Heard! TWIA Board Meeting Next Week



TELL TWIA TO RESCIND THEIR RATE HIKE

TWIA rates are a huge burden on coastal homeowners. This session we passed new laws making it harder to raise rates, but TWIA rushed through a 5% rate hike just days before the new laws went into effect that would have prevented the rate hike.

I joined other legislators in demanding the bad faith rate hike be rescinded, and

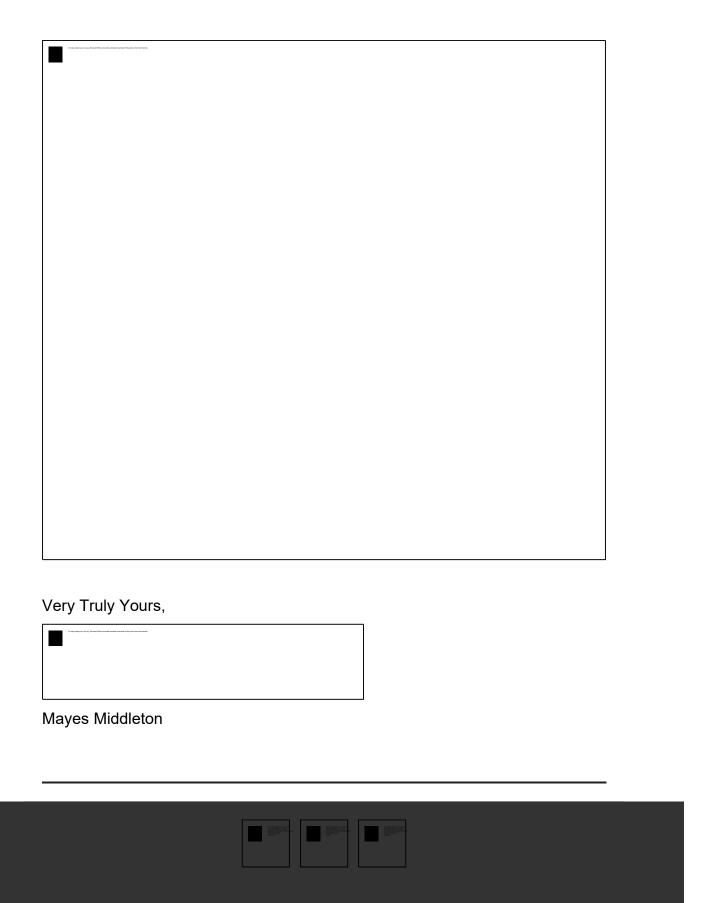
the TWIA Board added our demands as an agenda item for their December 7th Board meeting. You can read the letter we sent TWIA below.

Please join me in making your voice heard to rescind the rate hike!

There are three ways to make your voice heard.

- First, written public comments will be accepted electronically
 at <u>PublicComment@TWIA.org</u>. The deadline for written submissions is
 12 PM (noon) today, Friday, December 3rd.
- Secondly, you can also comment virtually via zoom. You can register to participate virtually <u>here</u>.
- Lastly, you can provide public comment in person at Omni Corpus
 Christi Hotel in Corpus Christi Ballroom A.

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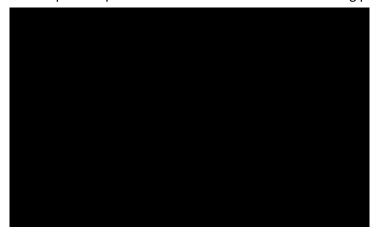
From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:44 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Rates

Windstorm rates are an enormous financial burden for property owners. Please do not raise rates – especially on the cusp of the pandemic economic effect on the working people.



From:	
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Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:43 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!

TWIA,

I own several properties in the coastal bend and a rate hike at this time, during a pandemic would just create even more head winds for my property business!

Vote NO on a rate hike!

Sincerely,

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:40 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No Rate Hike

Please, under no circumstances should this board increase the rates for windstorm insurance.

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:38 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

NO RATE HIKE

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:37 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: No Rate Hike

Please DO NOT raise rates on coastal residents and businesses. We are still in a recovery phase in our community.

Corpus Christi, Texas

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:36 AM

To: Subject: PublicComment RATE HIKE

No rate hike!!!

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:35 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** NO RATE INCREASE

I am NOT in support of a rate increase for TWIA.

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:35 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE!!!!

NO RATE HIKE!!!

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:30 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: PublicComment

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:27 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Please rescind rate raise

Please rescind that nasty raise in rates just before the legislature outlawed it!

That was a nasty unethical thing to do, and it makes life very hard on old people on social security like us!

Shame on you for raising rates like that!

Dickinson, Texas 77539

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:23 AM

To:PublicCommentCc:Mayes MiddletonSubject:Resend the Rate Hike

In view of the recent action by the Texas Legislature, do the right thing for coastal residents and resend the recent rate increase.

Kind regards,

Sent from Mail for Windows

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:19 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** Rescind rate hike

Inhumane and cruel to apply a rate hike in the midst of a recession. Rescind immediately.

Galveston, TX 77551

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:07 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: TWAI RATE HIKE

Please recind the TWIA 5% rate hike.

Thank you

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 11:01 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Rate hike

This email is to oppose the 5% (or ANY) rate hike. I know you could care less about public comments and will do whatever the hell you want anyway, but Mayes Middleton said to email, so I'm emailing.

A homeowner you have repeatedly screwed over

From:

Sent:	Friday, December 3, 2021 10:51 AM
To:	PublicComment
Subject:	TWIA RATE HIKE OPPOSITION
a high deductible and r disrepair. Homebuyers are findin prohibitive. North and Central Texa	a 5% rate hike. When Harvey hit, TWIA denied more claims than they paid. Approved claims have made it impossible for homeowners to afford their repairs, leaving the area in permanent g housing less affordable, and increasing the rate makes the cost of home ownership even more as, aka Tornado Alley, pays out more in wind claims than all coastal counties combined, yet they
	arry WINDSTORM insurance.
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From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 10:45 AM

To: Subject: PublicComment No TWIA rate hike

No TWIA rate hike. --

TREC Consumer Protection Notice

From:

Sent:Friday, December 3, 2021 10:43 AMTo:PublicComment; Mayes Middleton

Subject: Rescind TWIA Rate Hike!!

Dear TWIA:

After two years of being in COVID lockdowns and my husband not working for 2 years due to being non-essential with his job, we cannot afford any increases in the already HUGE rate that is charged for TWIA currently. Please consider this an official public comment to be read into the meeting at Corpus Christi.

Sincerely,



From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 10:30 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Rate Hike

Dear Chairman,

As a long time resident of the Texas coast, I find the dishonest and underhanded August 2021 5% rate hike to be nothing short of disgusting and a slap in the face to Texas residents and business owners. The rate was done with nothing short of malicious intent, and should be revoked immediately. Furthermore, as Chairman who presided over this disgraceful action, you should be ashamed of how you conduct business and should resign immediately. You're a disgrace to this state, and your actions make you unfit for the position you hold.

Anahuac, TX

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 10:22 AM

To: PublicComment
Subject: TWIA Tax Rate Hike

Hello:

I am writing to voice my dismay over the 5% tax rate hike TWIA rushed through recently. It is very disheartening that in this climate of uncertainty, regarding financial issues such as raging inflation, unemployment that you would burden the people of Texas with additional debt. The TWIA needs to immediately rescind this increase to show the people of Texas that you realize this is not the time for increased debt on families. Covid is still an issue in the United States, so why doesn't the TWIA show some respect to the families of Texas and not burden us with unnecessary financial burdens. Please seriously consider the citizens of Texas and table any increases at this time. Thank you for your consideration.



From:	
Sent:	Friday, December 3, 2021 10:22 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: Rate Hikes

As homeowners, we join with our legislators who are asking you to reverse the decision to raise rates by 5%. This increase will be devastating during a time when inflation continues to increase and many people are still trying to recover from the damages and hardships of COVID. The increase will cause additional and unnecessary financial distress to many, MANY residents and business owners.

Again, we respectfully ask that you reverse the decision to raise rates.

Best Regards,

La Porte, Texas

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 10:09 AM

To: PublicComment

Cc: Galvestonbeach; Mayes Middleton **Subject:** Please RESIND TWIA RATE HIKE

Please resind rate hike!

As an owner of multiple long term rental properties on Galveston Island the rate hike will negatively affect our business and our renters who have been so hard hit economicly by COVID-19.

Please allow time for people to recover. We have been hard hit by huge increases in property taxes and cannot afford to have more renters move out due to more increases in insurance costs.

Reasonably priced housing is at a risk of extinction on the island. We need to preserve housing affordability for the working class.

Do not increase rates!

Sincerely,

Sent from my Sprint Samsung Galaxy S10+.

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 10:08 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** Don't raise our rates!

Please show good faith and do not raise our TWIA rates at the last minute. Thank you,

Sent from my iPhone

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From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 10:00 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** Proposed Rate Hike

Please consider the Coastal residents have spoken through their Legislative Leadership to NOT raise RATES. Our ELECTIVE voices should be Honored

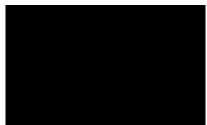
From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 9:53 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: TWIA - Rescind your Rate Hike

As a Texas Coastal Residential home owner, I support the legislators in requesting Texas Windstorm Insurance Association to rescind the 5% rate hike. This brings financial distress to me individually and our beach communities. Please reconsider. Thank you,



From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 9:50 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Rate hike

My husband and I are elderly and are begging you to stop raising the rates of coverage. We have a house four houses from the Gulf, built in 1964, and have never filed a claim after many storms. Please help us be able to afford to live in our home.

Galveston Tx

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 9:47 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

NO RATE HIKE

As a full time area resident for over 17 years, I have had to use our TWIA insurance ONE time. Most likely we will not need to use again it for many years to come. A rate hike will be unfair!

No RATE HIKE!

Rockport Texas

From:

Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 9:46 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: Rate Increase

As a homeowner on the Bolivar Peninsula I feel the latest rate increase is not fair. I understand it was imposed a few days before the new law on regulating rate increases became effective. Please rescind.

Have a Great Day

From:

Friday, December 3, 2021 8:47 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO TWIA HIKE

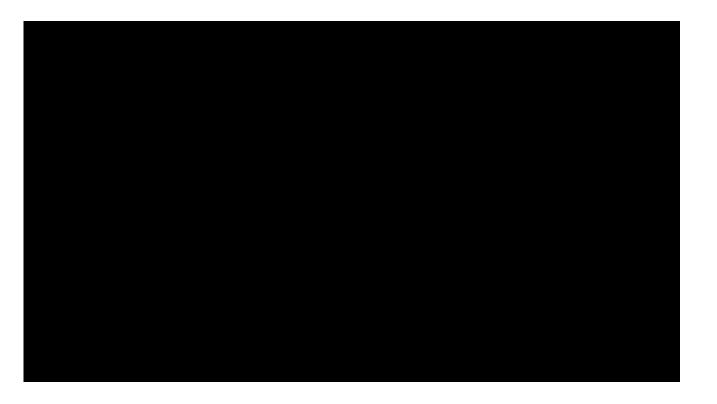
As a policy holder for over the past decade we have used our insurance ONCE after the devastating Hurricane Harvey struck our location in Rockport Texas.

A rate hike is UNFAIR.

The policy premiums that we have paid to TWIA from our business location have actually covered significantly more than the amount that we received from TWIA!

We had to take out an SBA loan for the damages incurred! We took out a LOAN and rebuilt NOT using TWIA payments.

NO RATE HIKE!



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Sent: Friday, December 3, 2021 4:20 AM

To: PublicComment

Twia is the only way some of us can be insured for wind with out using a less than desirable insurance company. The rate increase hurts us, it hurts is during a tough time. Many people are still trying to get back to some kind of normalcy financially.

December 2, 2021

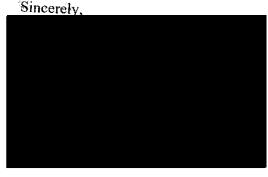
Chandra Franklin Womack
Chair
Texas Windstorm Insurance Association
P.O. Box 99090
Austin, TX 78709-9090

Dear Chair Womack,

Lam homeowner and TWIA policy holder in Corpus Christi. I am writing to encourage TWIA to revise its mitigation credits program to incentivize policyholders to invest in protective measures that will on October 19 is not in the meeting materials for the December 6 TWIA Board meeting.

It was disheartening to learn at the Committee meeting that 72% of TWIA residential risks do not qualify for building code credits and fewer than 1,100 locations receive the maximum 10% retrofit credit. TWIA simply does not do enough to encourage its policyholders to invest in mitigation strategies and make it financially beneficial to take on these improvements. My husband and I own a 75-year old all masonry home. There is one sheet of drywall in the entire home. Several years ago we installed four rolldown shutters to protect three large windows and a set of French doors. In addition, we replaced about 20 old casement windows with double pane, impact resistant windows and invested in more than 25 sets of hurricane shutters for all of our windows and door openings. We've replaced our garage door and reshingled our roof as well. All of these required significant investments, but we do not qualify for the measly 10% credit. We made it through Harvey and Hanna with no losses and no TWIA claims. Our thanks from TWIA is another proposed rate hike and an imbedded desire from viewed as partners who can improve your loss ratios and reduce the number of claims.

For once I'd like TWIA to give homeowners who have invested in protective measures some significant rate relief. Not only have we protected our largest investment, but we've saved TWIA policyholders and member companies thousands in cost-avoidance.



From:

Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 10:08 PM

To:

PublicComment

Subject: rate hike

I am a resident of Chambers County and am asking that you NOT raise the rates of windstorm insurance. It is almost unbearable and unaffordable at this point. People that are on fixed incomes that have lived here for many years did not receive a pay increase of 5% to offset the cost of higher insurance. Please not at this time. And, when you do have to increase it, please increase it in smaller amounts.

Thanks,



Sent from Mail for Windows

From:

Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 7:57 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hikes

To: PublicComment@twia.org

I am strongly opposed to TWIA rate hike. Please do NOT increase rates.



From: Mikey Morehead <moreheadmikey@yahoo.com>

Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 7:56 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Comments for December 7th meeting

Dear TWIA,

Please rescind the "bad faith rate hike" of 5% that went into effect just days before new legislation would have made that rate hike preventable. The burden of windstorm insurance is already heavy on the gulf coast with the prices of everything around us inflating. Please don't pass greed onto the citizens of the Gulf Coast who have no option but to carry the insurance. As a small town elected board member I would never hike rates mere days before new law would have prevented it - and the people expect better of the TWIA board.

Michael Morehead Anahuac ISD trustee #7 Anahuac Municipality Development District Director

From:

Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 7:34 PM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Rate hike

To TWIA

I am asking you to rescind the rate hike for windstorm insurance. Homeowners are already being over-taxed And your rate hike was strategically timed prior to The bill going in effect.

The citizens of Texas have had enough.

Thank you.

From:

Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 2:55 PM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No rate hike

No rate increase on windstorm it is high enough

From:

Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 11:09 AM

To:

PublicComment

Subject: TWIA

NO RATE HIKE!!!

Texas Law requires all real estate licensees to give the following information about brokerage services:

TREC Information About Brokerage Services

TREC Consumer Protection Notice



From:

Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 8:39 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: PublicComment

NO 5% RATE HIKE!

From:

Sent: Thursday, December 2, 2021 8:06 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: NO RATE HIKE

NO RATE HIKE



From:

Sent: Saturday, December 4, 2021 9:53 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Insurance Rate Increase

Do Not raise rates! Inflation under the current Biden administration is affecting all, budgeting now is more of a problem. Lower your rates to help all of the Texas coastline residents. Texas homeowner!

Galveston County

From:

Sent: Saturday, December 4, 2021 5:37 AM

To: PublicComment

Subject: Rate hike

Some one will have to pay, why not those that don't have TWIA windows and doors or hurricane protection. The counties that boarder TWIA counties benefit from the economy of the coastal counties they should shoulder some of the cost.

From:

Sent: Sunday, December 5, 2021 6:55 PM

To:PublicCommentSubject:No Rate Hike

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I'm against the 5% rate increase.

It's not fair that coastal residents have to pay increasing costs associated with statewide insurance coverage when the majority of windstorm claims come from outside our area.

Thank you,

From:

Sent: Sunday, December 5, 2021 11:39 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No, no, no

One, why do the coastal areas have higher disaster insurance rates when there are disasters throughout the state that qualify under the same policies yet they are not penalized? Aren't we all in this together? Two the higher payouts are to those that have the big bucks to purchase or build in hazardous areas like "the" island. They should have to purchase extra hazard supplemental insurance. We live inland and have average homes that if destroyed, it would not cost the insurance companies as much. Three, Municipalities that allow building in flood zones just to create a higher tax base for the city, county should foot the bill when these homes get flooded or destroyed. We have astute engineers versed in zoning and building codes yet the homes are allowed to be built in areas prone for cyclic climate danger. Is there dark money involved here? Is this taxation without representation? Let the people decide for a change.

From:	
Sent:	Friday, December 3, 2021 9:00 AM
То:	public.comment@twia.com

Subject: Rate hike

As homeowners, we join with our legislators who are asking you to reverse the decision to raise rates by 5 percent. This increase will be devastating during a time when inflation continues to increase and many people are still recovering from the damages of Covid.

Respectfully,

Seabrook, TX

From:

Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 8:02 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: No Rate Hike

> TWIA,

> I own several properties in the coastal bend and a rate hike at this time, during a pandemic would just create even more head winds for my property business!

>

> Vote NO on a rate hike!

From:

Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 8:01 AM

To: PublicComment **Subject:** No Rate Hike

> TWIA,

> I own several properties in the coastal bend and a rate hike at this time, during a pandemic would just create even more head winds for my property business!

> Vote NO on a rate hike!

From:

Sent: Monday, December 6, 2021 5:19 AM

To: PublicComment Subject: TWIA RATE HIKE-NO

DO NOT RAISE OUR TWIA RATE HIKES AT ALL! PLENTY HIGH ALREADY!

From:	Nicholas Manjarris <nmanjarris@kw.com></nmanjarris@kw.com>
Sent:	Tuesday, December 7, 2021 1:07 PM
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To: PublicComment

Subject: Oppose increase in Insurance

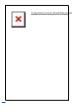
My name is Nicholas Manjarris and I do not agree with TWIA raising rates 5%. Due to the recent Hurricane and winter storm. Our citizens are not ready for an insurance hike in Texas

I am a realtor for Keller Williams in Corpus Christi and it is really important we keep insurance rates affordable for our local community. Our local businesses are suffering and need a boost from the Texas Wind Insurance Agencies and other large tax revenue businesses.

Thank you and God Bless Texas!

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