

City Council Hearing on the Clean and Affordable Buildings Ordinance

Joint committee of Zoning, Landmarks and Building Standards and Environmental Protection and Energy

Wednesday, April 3rd at 10 AM

Chicago City Council Chambers
121 N LaSalle St Chicago, IL 60602

[RSVP Here](#)

RSVP Link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rally-for-clean-and-affordable-buildings-ordinance-cabo-tickets-849717075647>

Bitly Link: bit.ly/cleanaffordablebuildings

If you have questions, reach out to jhamrick@illinoispirg.org

Sample Email

SUBJ: Clean and Affordable Buildings Ordinance

Hi [first name],

Nearly 1 in 5 Chicago residents are behind on their gas bills and gas rates are continuing to increase. Additionally, burning gas indoors exposes us to chemicals that [cause cancer and asthma](#). The Clean & Affordable Buildings Ordinance is a key first step in the necessary transition away from fossil fuels that are expensive, harmful to our health, and terrible for our climate.

[Join us and the Illinois Clean Jobs Coalition in showing our support for the ordinance at the City Council subject hearing.](#)

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The ordinance sets an indoor emissions standard that would effectively eliminate the use of fossil fuels in newly constructed buildings in Chicago. Electric buildings are cheaper to build and maintain, especially after Peoples Gas' record-breaking rate hike.

We have cheaper, cleaner, and safer ways to heat our homes. It's time to transition away from gas and the easiest place to start is new buildings. That is why we are calling on the Chicago City Council to pass the Clean & Affordable Buildings Ordinance. [Sign up today!](#)

See you April 3rd,
[signer]

Sample Calling Rap

Hello! Is this ____?

This is ____ with [xxx organization/Illinois Clean Jobs Coalition]. This is not a fundraising call.
How are you doing today?

I'm calling to ask for your support for the Clean and Affordable Buildings Ordinance.

Nearly 1 in 5 Chicago residents are behind on their gas bill and gas rates are only continuing to rise after Peoples Gas's record breaking rate hike. Burning gas in our home also releases dangerous air pollutants that are known to cause cancer and asthma. We must wean off our reliance on fossil fuels, stop the expansion of the fossil fuel system, and move toward a healthier and more affordable future.

The Clean and Affordable Buildings Ordinance sets an indoor emissions standard that would effectively eliminate the use of fossil fuels in newly constructed buildings. Electric buildings are cheaper to build and maintain as well as reducing harmful gas emissions.

We need your help in calling on City Council to pass this ordinance so our new buildings won't be allowed to burn the fuel of the past. If you support this, you can show your support on Wednesday April 3rd. We are rallying at the City Council's hearing on the ordinance to show our support.

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Can I send you the link to RSVP? Or I can sign you up right now.

[send them the RSVP link or sign them up over the phone]

Thank you so much and I will see you there.

[Cannot attend hearing]

I understand. You can also show support by signing our petition. Can I send you the link to that petition?

Link to petition: <https://pirg.org/illinois/take-action/clean-affordable-buildings-ordinance-petition/>

Thank you for your support! Have a good day.

Sample Social Media Posts

Let's make Chicago's buildings cleaner, safer, and more affordable! Nearly 1 in 5 residents are struggling with gas bills while rates keep climbing. Join us in supporting the Clean & Affordable Buildings Ordinance at the City Council hearing on April 3rd! RSVP now!

<http://bit.ly/cleanaffordablebuildings> #ElectrifyChi

Transitioning to cleaner energy isn't just about the environment—it's about our health and wallets too. The Clean & Affordable Buildings Ordinance will pave the way for healthier, cheaper homes in Chicago. Stand with us on April 3rd at the City Council hearing! RSVP

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Chicagoans deserve affordable, healthy homes. That's why we're rallying behind the Clean & Affordable Buildings Ordinance. Let's kickstart the transition to cleaner, more affordable energy. Show your support on April 3rd at the City Council hearing. RSVP now!

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Chicago is ready for cleaner, more affordable buildings! Join us on April 3rd at the City Council hearing to support the ordinance that will pave the way for a transition away from harmful fossil fuels. Let's build a cleaner, healthier city together. RSVP now!

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It's time to power our buildings with clean, affordable energy! Join us in advocating for the Clean & Affordable Buildings Ordinance at the City Council hearing on April 3rd. Together, we can make our city healthier and reduce air pollution. RSVP today!

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It's time to take action for our health, wallets, and planet! Join us on April 3rd to support the Clean & Affordable Buildings Ordinance at the City Council hearing. Let's build a future where clean energy is accessible and affordable for all. <http://bit.ly/cleanaffordablebuildings> #ElectrifyChi

Ready to embrace a cleaner, greener future for Chicago? Join us in advocating for the Clean & Affordable Buildings Ordinance. By transitioning to electric buildings, we can save money, improve health, and protect our environment. Be a part of the change at the City Council hearing on April 3rd. RSVP now! <http://bit.ly/cleanaffordablebuildings> #ElectrifyChi