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- 2. The average mortgage rate of existing homeowners with a mortgage sits at just 3.74% as of December 1, making it uneconomical for existing mortgage holders to move or refinance, dampening supply in the agency MBS market in 2024.
- 3. We expect the focus to shift in the agency MBS market from extension protection to call protection in 2024. With the specter of recession and credit defaults on the horizon, money manager demand for agency MBS is set to pick up in 2024.

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By: Andrew Szczurowski, CFA | November 28, 2023

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- 1. In our view, the Federal Reserve (Fed) has to project a hawkish position on rate hikes to manage expectations and pave the way for eventual monetary easing.
- 2. Slowing inflation and the weakening labor market are signs that the Fed's past rate hikes are working.
- 3. Investors should ignore the noise coming out of the Fed and focus on the turning tide of U.S. economic data.

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