

Re. Council File# 14-1635-S2.

PHILIP OWENS

Nov 13, 2017 1:03 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk-PLUM-Committee**

Dear Council Members,

As a homeowner in Laurel Canyon - on Gould Ave, specifically - we have seen our neighborhood become a silent one of unknowns passing like ships in the night. We no longer know the people directly across our street - it's always short term tenants. Nor do we know them in the adjacent house, for the same reason. Nor the next one. Nor the one around the corner. Nor the one next to that. And it goes on and on - we now count at least five AirBnB's on our short street. Since this has started to happen, short term tenants have filled our limited street parking with mis-parked cars, and worse yet, as they don't know the local rules, have left their cars on our street during Red Flag Days, obstructing emergency vehicle access. Out of towners not familiar with the fire danger in the hills routinely have parties causing massive parking jams with fire pits and smoking outdoors. Unpermitted films have been filmed here, with trucks parked up and down the street. Trash is left out on the wrong days, so the coyotes trash the street. No-one knows what is going on with anyone, and we find ourselves surrounded not by a close-knit community of neighbors but ever-changing strangers. It's not at all conducive to community, and frankly it means we don't feel like we live here any more - it feels like we're not at home in our own home.

I would suggest a minimum of two weeks be required for any short term rentals, and strict enforcement applied.

Thank you for listening,

Philip Owens

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Tim Miklaucic

Posted in group: **Clerk-PLUM-Committee**

To Whom It May Concern:

I live in an upscale are of Los Angeles at 1429 No Tigertail Road, LA, CA 90049. My wife and I have loved and owned our home for 20 years. Our neighbor at 1425 No out of his house and is renting for as few as three days at a time via Airbnb. Here is the listing:

<https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/19056473?location=1425%20North%20Tigertail%20Road%2C%20Los%20Angeles%2C%20CA%2C%20United%20States&checkin=&checkout=&adults=1&children=0&infants=0>

Since June of this year, we have had new "neighbors" nearly every week. Guests arrive at all hours of the night, are generally large parties (up to 16 people); they are th vacation. Often here is often no adult supervision even when guests under 21. They ride skateboards, play in the pool, laugh, smoke, drink alcohol and play basketball sometimes early in the morning.

I have written to Airbnb several times and although they promised to look into it, the last reply was that my complaint had already been received and I should contact the no contact information for the owner. What is ironic is that when the owners lived in the house, they were the first to complain about any late-night parties or after hour r out of the house, they seem to have no interest or sense of responsibility for maintaining the tranquility they so demanded for themselves when they lived there.

As much as I love the idea of Airbnb and sharing technology in general, without supervision and clear regulations, it is a nuisance to the community. A home next to mir neighbors every week who are on vacation or simply partying with friends, is not acceptable since no one is responsible for their actions or behavior. We essentially hav uncontrolled HOTEL directly adjacent our home where norms of the community are completely unknown to the guests or ignored entirely.

If our neighbors intend to run a hotel next door, assuming this is permissible, I would like them to get the appropriate permits, pay appropriate fees and taxes, meet park

Regards,

Tim

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Judy Esposito

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For the city to benefit from Air BnB is truly a disgrace. It seems like the city has no morals at all and are willing to hurt residents and reduce much needed housing to boot.

Air BnB is damaging neighborhoods and taking away desperately needed rental property.

Air BnB is WRONG THINKING !!!!

Judy Esposito, Venice

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Dennis Dwyer

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Posted in group: **Clerk-PLUM-Committee**

Please do not allow short term rentals, airbnb's. Thank You.

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Laura Silagi

Nov 13, 2017 5:08 PM

Posted in group: **Clerk-PLUM-Committee**

Dear PLUM Committee members,

I was unable to speak at the last committee meeting because of your time limitations. I want to report to you that AirBnB is a commercial venture, not a "sharing" economy, which sounds so benign. Airbnbs must regulated as rentals with all that entails. Also, the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation study about Airbnb was funded by Airbnb... this speaks volumes about its objectivity. And importantly, we are losing long term rentals to this profit making venture.

Family residential R1 neighborhoods are being subjected to a negative impacts, and some of these short term rentals are by absentee landlords who have no "host" or supervision, nor do they care about the impact of their "guests" on the neighborhood. Case in point, a new speculative 5 bedroom mega-house, with a roof deck that takes up the entire roof of the house, has become an Airbnb. There are constant parties and noise from the rooftop deck and the pool. We have small lots and trash from this house at 1060 Palms Blvd lies all over the alley. Neighbors have banded together to make complaints to the police, the neighborhood prosecutor, Mike Bonin, the Department of Building and Safety, Sanitation, and all to no avail. The police rarely show up, all the rest say their hands are tied.

I propose any regulation you decide on has to have real follow up on violations for all the years to come. There have been so many city regulations that are not supported by consequences for those disregarding those regulations, and the will of the city seems to be toward apathy. The most popular excuse is there is no funding for inspectors, etc. If there are fees and taxes imposed for doing short term rental, those should be used to fund the staff needed to control breaches of regulations. Excess could be used to support low income housing, if there is any excess funds. Hosts should live on the premises at all times, and there should be no multiple spaces hosted by the same landlord or owner. A limitation of rentals or short term should be no more than 6 months out of the year.

I live in Venice which is plagued by the abuse of the lack of true regulations and enforcement. Hopefully you will listen to those who are impacted by this new plague.

Laura Silagi
Venice, CA