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Sephardic Temple Tifereth Israel has been at this location since the early 1970's. We are writing to let you know the benefits that AirBnB has brought to our community. Our synagogue is not located within walking distance of any traditional hotels and because of local AirBnB hosts, many of our guests are able to participate in our services to ensure quorum for timely prayer and events.

We have found many AirBnB guests to prefer to stay in members' homes because they are kosher and friendly. Many others are able to stay at AirBnB hosts in order to be close to their families that live near the synagogue.

The congregation hopes that you, the Planning & Land Use Committee, and the entire City Council will take this request in consideration.

Sincerely,

Sephardic Temple Tifereth Israel

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Hello there, my name is Eka, I have been living and working on the Westside for 15 years. So far so good, this area is amazing

My business partner and I own a beautiful hair salon in the heart of the neighborhood. Our clients and friends are also locals to this area. With that being said, we hear gossip all the time. We have heard some people are against Rent by Owner.

If that is the case, it makes us really sad because we love this neighborhood. If our opinion really does matter we would love for you guys to take what we have to say about this situation into consideration.

I believe a homeowner should be able to do whatever they want with their property. That is one of the reasons people want to own.

As you know, the economy has been really hard on people. Some have lost their job, others had their hours cut. Retirees themselves never thought life was going to be so expensive. Keeping things the way they are now and being able to rent by owner is very convenient for most people. We all work hard to succeed in life. Thank God these people are not homeless or committing crimes just to get by in life. Without these options, it can take a toll on someone's mental health leading them to fall into depression. Not giving people the opportunity to make an income or save money reminds me of a communist ideology. I hope someone hears what we have to say and stop interfering with owners ability to rent their homes.

