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August 16, 2017

VIA EMAIL

The Honorable Members of the Planning, Land Use & Management Committee
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90014

Chairman Huizar and Councilmembers Harris-Dawson, Blumenfield, Price, and Englander:

I write to you an advocate sustainable economic development, in support of a citywide ordinance to regulate the short-term residential rental industry in the city of Los Angeles. I ask that you carefully consider the ramifications on our city's affordable housing stock. With limited affordable units, we must consider the importance of preserving our existing affordable housing stock and ensure reasonably priced units are used primarily as housing.

I am also are concerned that an annual short-term rental cap set too high serves as an economic motivation for landlords and property owners to enter the short-term rental industry thus reducing the inventory of affordable permanent housing. I support those who can earn extra income by renting a room in their home, but I cannot support property owners running full-time businesses out of their homes at the expense of thousands of vulnerable families looking for affordable housing options.

New construction will always be an important component to any housing solution; however, to preserve already inadequate affordable permanent housing inventories, we must regulate the short-term rental industry, implement a cap of 80 days or less, and prevent the loss of affordable units in the first place.

I urge you to consider vulnerable Angelinos and keep them in the forefront of your thoughts. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



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Dear Councilmembers:

Please add the following article to the above referenced City Council File. We appreciate seeing a balance brought to media relating to short term rentals.

Thank you.

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Commission provisionally adopts short-term rental ordinance

By Whitney Bermes Chronicle Staff Writer

Aug 15, 2017

On a split vote Monday, Bozeman City Commissioners adopted an ordinance regulating short-term rentals such as Airbnbs.

"You can't please everybody," said Deputy Mayor Cyndy Andrus prior to supporting the ordinance. "But I think we have listened and I think the result of what we have is a very good compromise."

The ordinance, which was provisionally adopted on a 3-2 vote, will need to pass a second reading in two weeks and, if it does, will go into effect at the end of September.

Under the ordinance, short-term rentals are categorized into three types. Rentals that are owner occupied, whether the owner is there during the time of the rental or not, are allowed in most types of residential zoning districts.

The ordinance forbids short-term rentals that are not owner-occupied at any time in all residential districts in the city. However, people who have been operating in those areas prior to Jan. 1 can be grandfathered in.

The ordinance provisionally includes a \$250 annual registration fee, a one-time \$225 fire inspection fee and \$1,508 for an administrative conditional use permit, which wouldn't apply to all short-term rentals.

However, commissioners can amend those between now and the final vote.

There are an estimated 500 to 550 short-term rentals operating in Bozeman, said Assistant City Manager Chuck Winn, a total that changes seasonally. And those fees will pay for city resources for processing applications, monitoring the new regulations, responding to complaints, taking any necessary enforcement actions and getting rentals inspected.

"We would like to continually revisit it to see where we are," Winn said.

Once the ordinance goes into effect, there will be a 60-day grace period for owners to come into compliance.

"We are trying to help anyone who was seeking to operate a short-term rental in a lawful way come into the city," said Commissioner Chris Mehl, who voted for the ordinance.

Mayor Carson Taylor said with this ordinance, the commission is trying to preserve the integrity of the city's neighborhoods.

Commissioner I-Ho Pomeroy, joining Jeff Krauss in voting against the ordinance, noted that the city's zoning commission also rejected the ordinance.

Short-term rentals provide an opportunity for Bozeman residents to make additional income, making it more affordable to live in Bozeman, Pomeroy argued.

"We know living in Bozeman is very expensive," Pomeroy said.

Members of the public commented on a number of issues, particularly privacy concerns they had over the city requiring addresses of all short-term rentals as well as the costs of fees.

Direct link to the article [here](#).