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Fwd: Short Term Vacation Rentals Council File Number: 14-1635-S2

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

From: **The Strand House** <thestrandhouse@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Apr 25, 2017 at 9:10 AM
Subject: Short Term Vacation Rentals Council File Number: 14-1635-S2
To: councilmember.huizar@lacity.org
Cc: etta.armstrong@lacity.org, sharon.dickinson@lacity.org, jesse@la-stra.org

Dear Council member Huizar,

I am writing in regards to the public hearing (currently postponed) to adopt residential short term rental regulations.

I personally live in Hermosa Beach and had 2 vacation rentals just 1 home from the beach. We have recently had to shut down our rentals as the city of Hermosa Beach is aggressively fining and threatening charges of misdemeanor for any owners who do not comply. We personally have already been fined. All of us owners here in Hermosa Beach are waiting to see how the environment around all these amendments, legal battles, etc. will pan out.

I have had such a wonderful experience as the manager meeting people from all over the world....who come in from France, Switzerland, Argentina, Germany,you name it. We also have the Arizonians and the like who come in to escape the heat. These people become friends and they come back again and again. I have already had people contacting me to set up their vacations and I've had to tell them about what is happening. Staying in a hotel for many just doesn't even compare. There are no common areas for their family to bond. For many, this vacation is the one thing they look forward to every year where their families can actually have 100% quality time without the crazy lives they have at home. These vacations increase the quality of their lives. I had people come from 1 week to 1 month at a time. I've had people bring grandmothers who have never seen the ocean. I have had grandmothers come stay because their child is having their first child and they want to be able to come stay for a few weeks to help out and be down the street from their new grandchild. I have new parents with infants come and we have cribs for them and high chairs. Families with young children have so many needs, crying in the middle of the night and they can do so without the pressure of feeling like they are disturbing the next room where other hotel guests are trying to sleep.

These are real people who want a home setting, a place they can wake up and have their coffee, make breakfast and feel like they belong. Hotels have some great amenities, like daily maid service, room service, etc., but having your own "home away from home" is a COMPLETELY different experience. If the people who did not understand were to go out and stay at a few vacation homes, they would understand. I feel that there is LOTS of room for both hotels and vacation rentals. Millions of people visit Los Angeles every year. Personally, I don't think staying at a hotel gives people the right impression of what Los Angeles has to offer. That experience is not as warm as having a home in an unfamiliar place, a place where your family can come together in the morning with your own privacy and talk about the day ahead. The setting is just completely different. I just wanted to give my experience, just on a personal level about what it's been like for me to have these rentals and what my guests have expressed over the past 8 year of operating them.

Thank you and looking forward to a fair and reasonable outcome.

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Fwd: LA-STRA Petition

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I'm writing to Council Member Huizar to petition against the limitation of available days for short term rental allowed to property owners. I believe there's a compromise to be made, and an opportunity for job growth as result to the newly realized hotel tax revenues.

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Wishing you Health & Wellness,

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Fwd: Dear Councilmember Huizar

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Apr 25, 2017 12:04 PM

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

From: **josh matsunaga** <jmatsunaga10@gmail.com>
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Hi Councilmember Huizar,

I am writing to you in the hopes that there be no limits made on Short Term Rentals. I have family members living in the area who are involved in the short term rental market that have had great success and experience renting out their guest houses on the same property they live on. This has allowed them to continue paying off the mortgage on their homes and without it they could easily be forced out.

I respectfully ask on behalf of my family that you please do not put limits on hosted stays and short term rentals.

Thank you so much for your time and consideration,
Josh