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The Department of City Planning released a draft ordinance that seeks to regulate short-term rentals in the City of Los Angeles. As proposed, the ordinance will protect both affordable housing and neighborhoods, while still allowing people to rent their primary residences for home-sharing.

In the time since the draft ordinance was released for public comment on April 15, 2016, the City has received thousands of comments and significant feedback from stakeholders throughout the City. A common concern has been raised specific to how the City would be able to ensure the efficient administration and effective enforcement of the draft ordinance. Members of the public have asked what resources will devoted to enforcement, and whether the City has the technical capability to manage the registration, implementation, and enforcement processes.

As the draft ordinance continues through the public hearing process, the City must work to identify the resources necessary to ensure that the ordinance is administered properly and can be fully enforced. Given the ever-changing technology utilized in the "peer-to-peer" economy, particularly around home-sharing, the City would be well served to explore the technology-based options that exist for implementation and enforcement of a home-sharing ordinance. This would include identifying potential third-party contractors or consultants who could provide assistance in establishing an efficient home-sharing registration and monitoring system, as well as an effective and proactive enforcement process to pursue entities that list short-term rentals in violation of City rules and regulations.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of City Planning and the Office of Finance, in consultation with the CAO's office as necessary, prepare and release a Request for Information (RFI) seeking information from potential candidates to provide short-term rental permitting and enforcement information technology services.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Department of City Planning report back on the results of the RFI and recommendations for potential third-party contractors or consultants at such time as the proposed home-sharing ordinance is considered by the Council.

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