



Fwd: Short Term Rentals- no cap for onsite hosts!

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Dear LA City Council,

Many airbnb hosts like myself are very confused by the new regulations. We attended many PLUM meetings and City Council Meetings and were assured that as Hosts who live on our property— that our garage recreation rooms with occupancy permits would be allowed to STR. They are not mentioned in the current draft of the law but in the FAQ of City Regulations — it says that they will not be allowed to STR. We were told by you that we were not the “bad operators” yet now it seems that we will be denied when we register.

Many Hosts like us are not sure if we can even register after paying taxes for 8 years and running airbnb's with no complaints from our neighbors. As Seniors— we rely on this income to age in place.

So far out of thousands of Hosts only about 420 have registered.

1. Please recommend extending the enforcement date and take more time to get this regulation right!
2. Redefine garage recreation rooms with showers (to make it habitable) and include them as part of the Primary Residence. If they do not have a kitchen— it is not an ADU. We already have an Occupancy Permit.
3. Consider Grandfathering current Hosts (with no complaints) and continue benefitting from our Tax Dollars.

Many of us use our garage recreation rooms to secure our retirement and to Age in Place and supplement our Social Security. Preserve our neighborhoods and help us remain in our homes without having to sell up to a developer. We do this because we need the income and enjoy interacting with our guests however our 1927 home is too small to share a bath and kitchen. Our guests need their own shower with out senior grab bars etc.

Please consider us Seniors! Take the time to get this regulation right!

Thank you
Sylvia and Derek Rath

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