

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Dawn Fleischman

**Date Submitted:** 10/21/2019 09:49 PM

**Council File No:** 18-1245

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am asking the PLUM Committee to make a recommendation to delay enforcement for small mom and pop hosts (those who have 1 primary and 1 secondary address of any kind RSO, ADU, etc. ) while the issues of RSO are being discussed and the Vacation Rental Ordinance is still being crafted. Enforce now on the commercial operators - hosts with MORE than 1 primary and 1 secondary address.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Shelli-Anne Couch

**Date Submitted:** 10/21/2019 10:46 AM

**Council File No:** 18-1245

**Comments for Public Posting:** I live in Atwater Village with my family which has a small guesthouse at the rear, above the garage, that we offer as a short term rental -- primarily to grandparents who are visiting their families in Atwater (where we have no hotels) but also to house my family who visit from Australia three times a year (and accelerated visits when I underwent recent cancer treatment). Not only does my livelihood depend on the ability to use this guesthouse as a short term rental and help me steward new families experience in my neighborhood, it allows me to spend thousands of hours over the past 17 years volunteering in the community. This includes producing the annual Atwater Village Tree Lighting Festival, advocating for and raising \$\$ for our local public schools (Atwater Ave Elementary, Glenfeliz Elementary, Irving Middle School, King Middle School, Marshall High School, Sotomayor HS). Along with another Atwater Village neighbor we founded Bake America Great, a grassroots volunteer group which has raised almost \$200k in two years for local causes ranging from immigrants rights to LGBTQ suicide prevention. I served on the Atwater Village Neighborhood Council Board of Governors and founded its first Education Committee. All of which contributed to my recent Congressional Award for volunteer services (Rep Adam Schiff). I rely heavily on this short-term rental flexibility, for the well being of both my financial health, my family health, and to allow me to continue serve my neighborhood. Thank you for your consideration.

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**Name:**

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Me and my husband are the parents of three adorable children's at age 20s, each of them are Studying very hard to build his future life at the university . Two of them leave far from home and the expense for rent and the Tuition expenses is very high. The option to build the unit behind my house helps us greatly with the many expenses we have such as a mortgage, property tax , rental and tuition expenses for my children's. Additionally Airbnb Helps bring more potential and low-income tourists to United States and in this way increase state revenue. It's makes no sense to limit us. Please We asking to cancel the decrees given to us

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Steve

**Date Submitted:** 10/21/2019 09:34 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please support the amendment to allow RSO Duplex for STR This will have significant financial impact on my family if not allowed. We had over \$9500 this year so far in medical costs. I can't do long term due to out of town family stays to help us out. I appreciate your hard work Thanks Steve

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Maryann Malconian  
**Date Submitted:** 10/21/2019 09:35 AM  
**Council File No:** 18-1245  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I AM IN FAVOR OF THIS MOTION. Moves for recommendations to develop a pilot program in District 13 of Los Angeles that would regulate homesharing in primary residences subject to the Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jody  
**Date Submitted:** 10/21/2019 07:58 AM  
**Council File No:** 18-1245

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear esteemed council men and women: First off, I am in full support of this motion! Thank you for bringing it forth. I am a small-time owner/landlord who lives onsite in a “triplex” in district 13. The units are old and renting short term has greatly helped me with serious maintenance issues and fixes that many aging RSO properties are facing. With that said, below are a few points I’d like to raise in support of your motion to allow owner-occupied RSO properties of 4 units or less, the opportunity to rent entire homes, short term. I am not a commercial owner, I am just trying to make ends meet. Please do not punish us! 1) Aging RSO properties/buildings: RSO properties are aging, they are in disrepair and need constant maintenance and upgrades. I myself would never want to become a slumlord or not have the proper means to take care of my tenants, but without Airbnb, the property will be incredibly difficult to maintain financially. I have reported losses every year since purchasing due to maintenance and repairs. Labor and supplies are costly and going up, and nothing has gotten cheaper over the years. I have projects in the works such as new fencing, plumbing earthquake retrofitting, roofing and gutters that will cost thousands of dollars. I am not a flipper looking to turn a profit, this property is also my home and I want to keep it safe, operable and running as long as possible. I rely on short term rentals to maintain my property which is over a hundred years old! 2) Community: I live near many local businesses and restaurants and my guests have told me numerous times that they have enjoyed my recommendations, sometimes going to the same restaurant multiple times over the course of their stay. They frequent all of the local sites and tourist spots while enjoying the view of the Hollywood sign. My guests often use Uber and support the sharing economy in more ways than one. THE SHARING ECONOMY TRULY SUPPORTS PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITY, TRYING TO MAKE ENDS MEET AND CONTRIBUTING TO THEIR COMMUNITIES IN POSITIVE AND PRODUCTIVE WAYS. Please don’t take this away from local and responsible hosts 3) Cleanings: I support an ENTIRE family who cleans my units and they bring in an average of over \$1500 per month just from my property alone. They STILL have multiple jobs to make ends meet. There are countless others that

depend on Airbnb hosts as their main source of income. We need them and they need us. 4) Guests: My Airbnb guests are a combination of professionals/freelancers, families and couples who have said they would never be able to afford to visit LA if it weren't for Superhosts like me. Lower income to middle class families cannot afford to book multiple hotel rooms in Los Angeles AND visit the places they want to go (ie. Disneyland, Universal Studios, etc). Tourism in this city is EXPENSIVE, and STRs help alleviate that burden, which directly results in guests having more cash flow to invest in local communities. I don't understand why the city would want to lose so much opportunity! Thank you for hearing my thoughts and proposing this motion. It will benefit, not only us small time mom and pops, but also the many wonderful people we employ to maintain our properties. They depend on us, and so do our local businesses and communities. Sincerely Jody

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I believe short term rentals should be regulated. I feel they should include RSO houses for home sharing, I feel 4 units or less if your primary property. Please amend to include RSO and 4 units or less. Thank you!