

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing to urge you to delay enforcement of this ordinance and amend to allow more middle-class Angelenos to participate in the sharing economy. I manage properties/co-host for several owners and stand to lose all of my income if this takes effect on November 1. The city is about to make me unemployed. Primary-resident hosts should be allowed to rent out multiple bedrooms on any given night if they want to. The one listing rented per night stipulation should be amended. There are currently motions before the PLUM committee that would allow some form of owner-occupied RSO units to participate in the sharing-economy through short-term rentals. I support both the pilot motion and more strongly the one to allow up to 4 rentals for owner-occupied. Not allowing RSOs to be part of short-term rentals knee-caps the middle class and will further contribute to the economic anxiety many in the Los Angeles middle class are facing. Furthermore, there is quite a significant distinction between whole buildings (such as the Ellsion) that have been converted into nearly all short-term rentals and properties that are owner-occupied, but because of their construction date, fall under the ROS ordinance. I am a property manager who co-hosts with a few owners in the Venice area who live at their RSO properties and host. The rentals provide a necessary service for tourists whose tax dollars benefit the city, and their dollars spent while traveling support local businesses. These rentals also serve locals who have family visiting, need accommodations during home repairs, are in between moves, etc. Additionally, the funds generated provide me and our cleaners with a living. The owners I work for need the extra income to make ends meet and support their families. We are responsible hosts who work with our neighbors to ensure all goes smoothly. We are not the problem. Please take this into consideration and do not hastily move to financially disadvantage fellow residents who are trying to get by in an ever-evolving economy. Thank you for your consideration.