

Communication from Public

Name: Marsha Metz

Date Submitted: 11/14/2020 04:33 PM

Council File No: 18-1246

Comments for Public Posting: As a resident of Sunset Plaza for more than 30 years I have seen the disintegration of my peaceful and quiet enjoyment of my home as a result of the increase in vacation rentals and party houses in the Doheny Sunset Plaza Hills area. I am objecting to ANY legislation allowing an increase in such rental activity for the following reasons: • With the housing and homelessness crisis, NOW is NOT the time to reward investors for turning good housing into vacation rentals. • The home sharing ordinance has been poorly enforced. That must get under control before any expansion is allowed. • Party houses are a significant and destructive problem and bring quality of life issues and violence to our neighborhood. Our Hollywood Police Department has better things to do than to patrol for noise abatement, party houses and Covid 19 assembly infractions. Adding to the number of vacation rentals will only exacerbate the strain on our already over taxed Hollywood Police Department. • If this passes, our neighborhood will have the bulk of vacation rentals allowed in the Hollywood Community Plan area. As a 30 year resident this is UNCONSCIONABLE. • With Safer LA orders in effect and Covid-19 still a burgeoning problem, planning to bring more tourists and partiers into our neighborhoods is RECKLESS. Additional LA City revenue should come from hotels and not private residences rented for the short-term which leads to an increase in noise and diminishes a permanent residents covenant of quiet enjoyment of their home.

Communication from Public

Name: Peter Nicholas

Date Submitted: 11/14/2020 09:23 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: The impact of Party Houses are a significant problem and bring noise, trash, and crime to single family neighborhoods. A prior draft of the ordinance would only have allowed 0.25% of units per census tract to be issued , the new draft allows up to 1.00% of units. This means 1,000 potential rentals in Hollywood Community Plan area! If this ordinance is enacted, the practical effect is that the Hollywood Hills neighborhoods will have the bulk of vacation rentals in the Hollywood Community Plan. An effect of this proposal is to encourage Party Houses in hillside areas which have limited access, no parking and fire issues. Enforcement costs of containing the problems generated by this ordinance will certainly offset any revenue generated. Visitors should be encouraged, but this is the function of Hotels, which will generate Hotel tax and way fewer problems. Please amend the ordinance to only allow 0.25% of units per census tract.

Communication from Public

Name: Daniel Holschneider

Date Submitted: 11/14/2020 09:57 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: “Vacation Rental Ordinance” Turning homes into vacation rentals and party houses in a time of increased homelessness, really? More party houses in neighborhoods that annually have firewarnings, have been evacuated twice in the past 5 years, have burned to the ground decades ago, and have now routinely seen partyhouses lighting fireworks and outdoor smoking in hillsides as dry as tinder--is this what you want? Home sharing ordinances have so far been poorly enforced. Allowing more vacation rentals displaces families. I urge you to reconsider the wisdom of this ordinance. I urge you not to attach your signature to this misguided cash-grab by developers.

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Name: Nick Bakay
Date Submitted: 11/14/2020 09:58 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: Allowing this huge increase in party houses, when you already have difficulty managing the current number of permits for the protection of local residents, is completely unacceptable. We pay enormous property taxes, we deserve to live in a safe and peaceful neighborhood.

Communication from Public

Name: Dean Pitchford

Date Submitted: 11/14/2020 10:53 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: As a long-time resident of the Hollywood Hills, I am dismayed by the recent deterioration of our quality of life here in the streets above Sunset Boulevard. Air BnB rentals, house-partiers, an explosion of construction - all of these are steadily eroding the character of our neighborhoods. And the fact that the home-sharing ordinance is barely being enforced contributes to the deterioration of conditions. Enacting the "Vacation Rental Ordinance" would be reckless, excessive and destructive; please oppose its passage.

Communication from Public

Name: Ben Silverman

Date Submitted: 11/14/2020 11:20 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: The combination of party houses and the absence of enforcement has resulted in loud music resonating throughout the hillsides. Renting a party house is being taken as a license to broadcast amplified music, often simply a constant drumbeat, into the morning hours thereby interfering with the quality of life of the entire neighborhood. The city should prioritize the enforcement of its noise abatement ordinances before expanding the universe of noise polluters. In addition to the degradation of our quality of life, our hillside streets are narrow, often one lane wide. Party houses add to traffic congestion and present an additional impediment to access by emergency vehicles. If this passes, our neighborhood will have the bulk of vacation rentals allowed in the Hollywood Community Plan area. Our community is under siege. Rather than add to the assault, the Counsel should reject the proposal.

Communication from Public

Name: patrick connolly
Date Submitted: 11/14/2020 07:09 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: I have several concerns regarding the above:: With the housing and homelessness crisis, it's not the time to reward investors for turning good housing into vacation rentals. The home sharing ordinance has so far been poorly enforced. That must get under control before any expansion is allowed. Party houses are a significant and destructive problem and bring quality of life issues and violence to our neighborhood. If this passes, our neighborhood will have the bulk of vacation rentals allowed in the Hollywood Community Plan area. With Safer LA orders in effect, planning to bring more tourists and partiers into our neighborhoods seems simply reckless. Thank you Patrick Connolly

Communication from Public

Name: Joan Stigliano

Date Submitted: 11/14/2020 12:39 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I would like to comment on the proposed increase in vacation rentals. For well over 5 years, our area has been plagued by problems associated with short-term rentals. Many of them are party houses, and we have had to live with noise, unruly behavior, illegal parking, public urination, public intoxication, etc. The City Council's response to our complaints to date has been underwhelming, and now you are proposing to exacerbate the problem at a time when LAPD's budget will be cut by \$150 Million, thus reducing their resources to deal with these types of situations. Our area has already seen a substantial increase in short-term rentals: they're called hotels.