
Fwd: Support vacation rentals in LA1 message

From: Izabella Hovhanisian <izabella.hovhanisian@lacity.org>
To: City Clerk Council and Public Services <clerk.cps@lacity.org>
At: Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 7:08 PM

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From: Johnathan Mabson <johnathan.mabson@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 6:30 PM
Subject: Support vacation rentals in LA
To: Clerk <cityclerk@lacity.org>

Dear City Clerk,

My name is Johnathan and I have a vacation rental in Harbor City, CA. I have been an LA Airbnb host for Two years. I'm emailing to ask that you support the vacation rental ordinance with the changes recommended by the City Planning Commission.

Thank you for working towards allowing us to host. However, as written, the proposed ordinance removes the ability for LA residents like myself to utilize short-term rentals as a crucial economic lifeline, and instead benefits big hotels. Severely restricting the total number of vacation rentals permitted in each neighborhood would be particularly harmful to me. I'm not understanding how you can dictate how and what someone can do with their property. The laws here for renter are insane that why I home share and do vacation rental so I don't have to deal the unfair court system, as a combat veteran that served over 21 years of service, I do understand how any can dictate how I can use my home.

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PLEASE support the planning commission's recommendations and work WITH us to develop sensible, balanced solutions that allow residents to share their vacation homes, protect the integrity of neighborhoods, and ensure hosts, guests, and communities across LA continue to receive the full economic benefits of short-term rentals.

Regards,
Johnathan Mabson

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From: Anna Martinez <anna.martinez@lacity.org>
To: City Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>
At: Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 10:24 AM

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From: Amir Harouni <amirharouni@host.airgms.com>
Date: Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 10:25 AM
Subject: Support vacation rentals in LA
To: Clerk <cityclerk@lacity.org>

Dear City Clerk,

My name is Amir and I have a vacation rental in Sherman Oaks. I have been an LA Airbnb host for 2 years. I'm emailing to ask that you support the vacation rental ordinance with the changes recommended by the City Planning Commission.

Thank you for working towards allowing us to host. However, as written, the proposed ordinance removes the ability for LA residents like myself to utilize short-term rentals as a crucial economic lifeline, and instead benefits big hotels. Paying a \$850 permit fee to operate a vacation rental for 90 days a year would be particularly harmful to me. The current restrictions on vacation rentals hurt my area, because there are no alternatives and no hotels.

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Fwd: PLEASE allow LA residents to share their vacation homes!1 message

From: Anna Martinez <anna.martinez@lacity.org>
To: City Clerk Council and Public Services <Clerk.CPS@lacity.org>
At: Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 7:55 AM

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From: Nikolai Giefer <nikolaigiefer@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Oct 22, 2020 at 4:08 AM
Subject: PLEASE allow LA residents to share their vacation homes!
To: Clerk <cityclerk@lacity.org>

Dear City Clerk,

My name is Nikolai and I have a vacation rental in EchoPark. I have been an LA Airbnb host for 5. I'm emailing to ask that you support the vacation rental ordinance with the changes recommended by the City Planning Commission.

Thank you for working towards allowing us to host. However, as written, the proposed ordinance removes the ability for LA residents like myself to utilize short-term rentals as a crucial economic lifeline, and instead benefits big hotels. Severely restricting the total number of vacation rentals permitted in each neighborhood would be particularly harmful to me. This ban will ruin my life. You are taking away my ability to pay my mortgage during this crisis. This ban is a direct systemic attack on the citizens of this city. Short term rentals not only supports me, it supports the cleaners I employ, it supports the local economy, it supports local restaurants and shop owners all struggling to keep its doors open, it supports your salaries and public interests with tons of taxes. I am not the enemy, this is my primary residence where I live. I am a citizen in good standing. This block is loud and clear, with our elected officials saying "we don't care about our citizens and our community members. We don't care about the plights of covid, we don't care tourism helping local economy recover from this pandemic, we don't want millions of dollars in taxes, and we want our citizens to lose their homes in the process, because the pandemic and job loss isn't enough." Banning short term rentals won't fix any of the problems it claims to cause. It will do the opposite, I promise. The contribution to society outweighs any negative perceptions. Don't do this to your citizens, to the very people that voted you into office, to the countless businesses it supports. How much pain are you willing cause? How many people are you trying to have lose their homes? As if 2020 wasn't bad enough, this will surely be the undoing of any threads left that we have to hang on to.

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