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FIRST I WANT TO SAY MY WIFE AND I, MY SON & HIS FAMILY AND MY DAUGHTER & HER FAMILY HAVE SINGULARLY OR IN A GROUP STAYED IN OR USED AB&Bs, B&Bs and STRs ON MANY OCCASIONS IN MANY PLACES OVER THE PAST SEVERAL PLUS YEARS WITHOUT RESERVATION. WE'VE BENEFITED FROM THEIR CONVENIENCE, AFFORDABILITY, LOCATION, PROXIMITY, AMENITIES, USEFULNESS AND APPEARANCE. WE ARE NOT HESITANT TO USE THEM AGAIN IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

AIR BED & BREAKFASTS, BED & BREAKFASTS AND SHORT TERM RENTALS ARE VERY BENEFICIAL TO OUR CITY THE SAME WAY THEY ARE BENEFICIAL TO 1000'S OF OTHER CITIES ACROSS OUR NATION. THEIR PRESENCE AND CONVENIENCE ATTRACT VISITORS TO OUR CITY, THEY PROVIDE REVENUE TO OUR CITY, PROVIDE AN AFFORDABLE PLACE TO STAY AND THEY ARE ATTRACTIVE AND GREAT PLACE TO STAY. IN ADDITION THEY ARE BENEFICIAL TO THE NEIGHBORHOODS THEY ARE OR MAY BE LOCATED WITHIN. HAVING TO OR REQUIRED TO MAINTAIN THEIR PROPERTY HELPS KEEP THE NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFUL AND ATTRACTIVE. GOVERNED BY NOISE, VEHICLE, OCCUPANCY AND SIGNAGE LAWS & ORDINANCES HELPS MAINTAIN THE PEACE AND QUIET IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD TOO.

AB&Bs, B&Bs and STRs ARE STRONGLY REQUIRED TO ADHERE TO THE MANY RULES, REGULATIONS, RESTRICTIONS, CONDITIONS, LAWS AND ZONING ORDINANCES ENFORCE AT THE TIME OF THEIR APPROVAL. VIOLATION OR NON-COMPLIANCE BY THEIR PART COULD RESULT IN SEVERE PENALTIES OR THE LOSS OF ANY AND ALL REQUIRED PERMITS THEY HAVE OR POSSESS.

AIR BED & BREAKFASTS, BED & BREAKFASTS AND SHORT TERM RENTALS ARE UNDER THE WATCHFUL EYE (I CALL IT A MICROSCOPE) OF THE CITY (CODE ENFORCEMENT, POLICE DEPARTMENT, CITY CLERK OFFICE, NLRCVB, MAYOR'S OFFICE) AND MOST IMPORTANTLY THE RESIDENTS AND NEIGHBORS OF THE AB&Bs, B&Bs, STRs THAT THEY ARE OR MAY BE LOCATED WITHIN. ALMOST IMMEDIATELY, IF AN AB&B, B&B OR STR BREAKS A RULE OR GETS OUT OF LINE OR COMPLIANCE THEY ARE REPORTED TO THOSE WITH ENFORCEMENT RESPONSIBILITY.

WITHOUT THESE RULES, REGULATIONS, CONDITIONS, LAWS, ZONING ORDINANCES, ETC. HOME OWNERS ARE NOT RESTRICTED IN THEIR PARKING OF VEHICLES, THE SIGNAGE PLACED ON THEIR PROPERTY, NOT MONITORED IN THE CONDITION OF THE EXTERIOR OF THEIR HOME OR CONDITION OF THEIR BACK OR REAR YARD AND NOT MONITORED OR RESTRICTED IN HOW MANY PEOPLE LIVE OR RESIDE IN THEIR HOME.

WE AS A LEGISLATIVE BODY HAVE APPROVED LEGISLATION THAT HAS APPROVED AB&Bs, B&Bs and STRs CITY WIDE WITH SOME RESTRICTIONS OR REQUIREMENTS IN RECENT MONTHS AND YEARS. AND WE'VE ALL VOTED TO APPROVE SPECIAL USE PERMITS FOR AB&Bs, B&Bs and STRs IN MOST WARDS OF THE CITY. OUR APPROVALS HAVE CREATED MANY NEGATIVE AND A FEW POSITIVE COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS AND OUR CONSTITUENTS WHEN PLACED ON OUR CITY COUNCIL AGENDAS. GOING FORWARD WE HAVE A CHOICE, 1) BAN AB&Bs, B&Bs and STRs ALL TOGETHER OR 2) WORK ON LEGISLATION THAT ALLOW AB&Bs, B&Bs and STRs BY AMENDING AND TWEAKING THE RULES, REGULATIONS, CONDITIONS, ZONING ORDINANCES, LAWS THAT APPLY AND THAT IS FAIR, JUST AND BENEFICIAL TO THE RESIDENTS OF OUR CITY.

IN CLOSING, OVERALL I'M SUPPORTIVE OF AB&Bs, B&Bs and STRs AND TO BE HONEST, THERE ARE SEVERAL RESIDENCES IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD AND ON THE STREET ON WHICH I'VE LIVED FOR THE PAST 47 YEARS THAT WE WISH WOULD BECOME AN AB&B, A B&B OR A STR.

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