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<b>Name</b>	Carolyn Sabin
<b>Email</b>	Ckeane83@gmail.com
<b>Form Date Field</b>	05/16/21
<b>Topic</b>	Agenda Item
<b>Comments</b>	<p>Yes, this another message about STR's. I have every confidence that this email will be disregarded as proof of the content and agenda of council meetings but I'm here anyway. Your proposed increases to Newport STR taxes is really just proof at how desperately the city needs funds from rentals/visitors. Every city in every state and every country in the world has vacation rentals. This is nothing new, this is a reality of life in 2020. Newport isn't unique in this and STR's aren't ruining the community. Almost ALL of my renters are families. It's all just a few squeaky wheels and that's it. It's quite frankly idiotic to remove these funds and sources of employment from this community. Everyone, which includes all city council members and 15N members, know the significant role tourism plays in all coastal communities. Let's just come to terms with the fact that people want to vacation here and owners have rights, and stop wasting everyone's time and energy. Thanks!</p>
<b>Meeting Date</b>	
<b>Subject</b>	STR's

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**Fwd: STR Fees and Enforcement**

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Thu, May 13, 2021 at 9:37 AM

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From: **Glen Morris** <outlook\_44C161919C87EB53@outlook.com>

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Subject: STR Fees and Enforcement

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Commissioners:

We support all of your efforts on STR's. Finally something good may be happening. However, there is one place that you have failed to address.

One deputy for Lincoln County for support is ludicrous, as are the rules that have been foisted upon the deputy.

There needs to be at least 2 deputies, 7 days a week, from 9:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M.. One for north county and one for south county. When not responding to complaints, they can be enforcing the law. STR rentals speed through neighborhoods (particularly Bayshore), run STOP signs, and pass in no-passing areas. The Sheriff's office has recently had a deputy work an hour or so a week, and the effects have been substantial – but, unfortunately, short-lived.

The fees should be at least \$5,000 per STR, but more probably \$10,000 to cover all of the costs that the County incurs because of these unregulated/unenforced rentals.

STR's are not necessarily bad – just when there are too darn many of them in a neighborhood. If neighborhoods were limited to 5% STR's, it would preserve the peace and quiet that full-time residents have had in the past, but no more.

Thank you for your efforts on this volatile issue.

Glen &amp; MaryLou Morris

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Row 1

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<b>Form Date Field</b>	05/17/21
<b>Topic</b>	Non-Agenda Item
<b>Comments</b>	<p>After hearing the last commissioners meeting in regards to STR's, I have to say none of the commissioners seem to be listening to the public. It saddens me that all this time wasted of deaf ears. Two workshops about this very serious matter and none of the commissioners were on either meeting zoom workshop. Sad that their time is more valuable then all those who participated. It looks like the commissioners were all working and going through the motions but it was only a stall tactic. 15 neighborhoods did not get signatures or support but Commissioners seem to be following in their direction. All of this data was given, majority of the people spoke who have written letters are in favor of keeping the current STR GUIDELINES lines in place. Are you listening? Apparently the commissioners can't hear. Covid came and things shut on licensing but then this transitioned into the county making changes to STR guidelines. Change the rules while you have things in a moratorium for Covid is not ok. Low income housing has spun into a STR issue. Are you kidding me? My home was on the market for 10 months last year. Why didn't a "local" buy it? We put thousands of dollars into the home for further upgrades as we are now the best looking house in the block. My neighbors homes are run down and in need of repair. Septic tank upgrades needed for STR owners and not the rest of the community who could have any number of people living in a home? Raising Newport hospitality taxes now? Why now and why there? If you change things in Newport you will most likely do it all along Lincoln County. Give an inch and you will take a mile. If you don't reduce the number of STR's you won't need to hike up another tax. You are hurting the community by putting a do not welcome sign along the central coast. No home's to rent. Local homeowners harassing families coming to visit, increased lodging taxes. Come on...Where does this madness end? Commissioners, please open your eyes and ears and get educated on this a bit better. The trickle down effect from major changes are going to be Lincoln County doom. You need a boost to the economy with money coming in from other areas to help these business and families who lost so much during covid. Homes used to be rented out for extra income so these vacation homes stay can in their family. Commissioners you are forcing the hand of many to make serious decisions. You are punishing homeowners even more and the new purposed changes to STR's are only going to hurt families even more. We are looking at renting out home out month to month in the Summer for over 9k a month. Is this what you had in mind for your low income housing problem? Month to month vacationers will enjoy a month in our home and busy body neighbors will NOT be able to do or say anything about our renters who will be following house rules. These locals are going to make a situation that was not a major issue at all into a bigger one potentially. The County just lost the lodging tax too if our home. Go back to school and learn a little about basic business</p>

because clearly non of you are or were business owners. Do not pass you new STR proposed ideas as this is not at all what the majority of homeowners want. Listen to the majority please. Heidi Gilbert

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**Fwd: STR article about Denver**

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Dear Doug,

I thought this article would interest you regarding Denver, Co. approach to NOISE and non-licensed STR's.

May 13, 2021

### What Does Denver's New Short-Term-Rental Regulation Mean For Airbnb?

Following in the footsteps of New York, San Francisco and Santa Monica, Denver is the latest city to impose fines on short-term-rental platforms like Airbnb for listing unlicensed properties. Airbnb, meanwhile, appears to be doing its part to minimize non-compliant short-term rentals in the Mile High City. It is also taking steps to prevent noise complaints and "party house" situations as the summer holidays heat up. So what does this mean for short-term vacation rental owners and property managers? And how will it impact the upcoming Fourth-of-July weekend?

1. [The city of Denver's new measure is designed to compel short-term-listing platforms to be responsible for verifying property licenses.](#)
2. [The new legislation seems to be doing what it was intended to do: purging unlicensed listings, encouraging proper licensing and generally improving the Denver short-term-rental market.](#)
3. [Airbnb and other listing platforms are taking steps to prevent Fourth-of-July parties at short-term vacation rentals in Denver.](#)

1. The city of Denver's new measure is designed to compel short-term-listing platforms to be responsible for verifying property licenses.

In late November 2020, the Denver city council voted to fine online short-term-rental platforms up to \$1,000 per transaction “if they help unauthorized people rent out their homes to vacationers and other short-term occupants.” The council says it took this action to prompt rental platforms such as Airbnb to cooperate with its licensing regulations by prohibiting unlicensed rentals from marketing through the platform. The new legislation, which came in part as a result of complaints about excessive guest noise and rowdy gatherings associated with short-term rentals, was scheduled to go into effect in 2021.

Then, in February 2021, following several months of negotiation, city officials rejected a proposal by Airbnb on how to remove unlicensed or otherwise illegal listings from the site. For its part, Airbnb says the move to cease negotiations and move forward with the new legislation, and its associated \$1,000 fine, came as a surprise.

### Protect My Airbnb Listing From Noise Complaints

2. The new legislation seems to be doing what it was intended to do: purging unlicensed listings, encouraging proper licensing and generally improving the Denver short-term-rental market.

Denver first started requiring licenses for short-term-rental operation in 2016. Since then, the city has worked to ensure that all short-term rentals and vacation rentals are in compliance, and operating under license guidelines. Colorado’s most populous city currently has just under 1,960 licensed short-term rentals. But, city officials have said, if rental marketplace platforms don’t require proof of a current license, it’s inevitable that some owners will rent out their properties on those platforms without the proper license. Without a license, a property is not subject to licensing requirements governing safety measures, trash abatement, noise mitigation, or sufficient parking spaces, or the fines levied by the city for violating those requirements. And since Airbnb controls over 90% of Denver’s short-term-rental market, getting the platform, and others like it, to cooperate with the licensing requirement is paramount to ensuring owner compliance.

Enacting legislation that compels listing sites to show proof of license for listed rentals (and levying fines on listing sites rather than individual owners) appears to cover the most compliance-enforcement ground in one place at one time.

The good news: Since the new legislation went into effect there have been no violations cited, which means both listing platforms and owners seem to be on board with improving short-term rentals for guests, neighbors and communities.

### How Do I Monitor Noise Remotely?

3. Airbnb and other listing platforms are taking steps to prevent Fourth-of-July parties at short-term vacation rentals in Denver.

In response to community concerns, legislative measures, and a general recognition that “large gatherings remain a potential public health issue,” Airbnb is enforcing its “party ban” in Denver, as travelers make their Fourth-of-July-weekend plans.

Guests without a history of positive reviews will not be allowed to book one-night stays in Denver over the holiday weekend. Airbnb notes that these types of bookings most often correlate with parties and noise complaints. The rental platform is also imposing additional “defenses” on two- and three-night stays, including verifying that the booking guest is 25 or older, and placing restrictions on whole-house rentals within a certain radius.

Get more information on Airbnb’s “[Summer of Responsible Travel](#),” and find out how you can [prevent noise issues and neighbor noise complaints](#) at your Denver short-term vacation rental on Independence Day weekend...and every weekend!

NoiseAware <https://noiseaware.com/>





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## Fwd: Bayshore is hurting - Letter to the Editor...Neighborhoods – Not Vacation Rentals | News Lincoln County

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Cc: Shelly Woodke <[shelly@shellywoodke.com](mailto:shelly@shellywoodke.com)>

Dear Lincoln County Commissioners,

Only our Lincoln County Commissioners and Council Belmont can protect and create a Hood River Successful Model in unincorporated Lincoln county.

First we need more time, please maintain the moritorium.

I am a supporter of "owner occupied STR" and the Hood River successful model. Lincoln County unincorporated- after 5 years none of the LC STR businesses have curbed or created solutions which full time home owners have endured.

Owner occupied STR businesses would also help in their enforcement of; Fireworks, Over Parking, Occupancy, Noise, Trash, Animals, and Lights.

Hood River Model also retains value and opening up LTR and Homes for First time homeowners, Retirees, etc.

Caps, density, and the Hood River Model equals success for Unincorporated Lincoln County. Which would provide time to search for STR Resort land to develop for their Occupancy, Trash, Parking, Animals and etc. would be a win - win to continue employing, supporting businesses and tax revenue. While maintaining neighborhoods.

<https://www.newslincolncounty.com/archives/264472>

Today Bayshore, tomorrow the next neighborhood. Election is May 15.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/459780978720501/?ref=share>

Thank you for your time, and reading my message.

**Shelly Woodke**  
**Bayshore Homeowner**  
Sent from my iPhone