

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of:)
EXTENDING SUSPENSION OF)
PROCESSING OF NEW SHORT TERM) RESOLUTION #21-24-5A
LICENSES UNDER LCC 4.405 THROUGH 4.460)
UNDER RESOLUTIONS #20-4-3B, #20-27-4A,)
#20-21-9A, and #20-21-12C)

WHEREAS the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners (Board) by Resolution #20-4-3B as amended and extended by Resolution #20-27-4A implemented a temporary suspension of new short term rental licenses in order to undertake a comprehensive review of licensing standards, program operations, enforcement actions and full implementation of new provisions of the licensing program for short term rental of residences (STRs), Lincoln County Code (LCC) Sections 4.405 through 4.460; and

WHEREAS shortly after the suspension took place the County, State of Oregon, and Federal Governments declared local, state and national emergencies in response to the COVID 19 pandemic crisis that continues to this date and extends beyond the termination date for Resolution #20-4-3B. Subsequently an additional declaration of an emergency was made by the County and state of Oregon in response to unprecedented local and state wildfires that have and will continue to require extensive County resources for response and recover beyond the extended dates of termination in Resolution #20-27-4A, Resolution #20-21-9A and Resolution #20-21-12C. As of this date both those emergencies remain in place and additional staff resources have been devoted to a surge in COVID cases, the new state framework for response, and vaccination administration. In addition, response and recovery efforts are still underway for the wildfire emergency; and

WHEREAS County resources have been and will continue to be diverted to responding to the pandemic and wildfire emergencies for the foreseeable future and the interim recommendations which the county was to review and implement, and the longer term options to be explored, and decisions finalized for the update of the program requirements while underway are not completed; and

WHEREAS the Board has subsequently reviewed proposed changes to the County Program for business regulation of STRs, has held several workshops with over 100 public input responses, in addition to numerous emails addressing possible changes to the program. The Board on May 3, 2021 directed staff to focus on four areas of change including consideration of a possible limit on the number of licenses based on seven subareas of the County. This direction could lead to allowance of additional licenses in some areas, but a limit on licenses at, above or below the current number of licenses within other areas. Staff is working on the details of this directive for presentation to the Board and public and incorporation into amendments to the County Code; and

WHEREAS the Board provided in Resolutions #20-4-3B, #20-27-4A and #20-21-9A that the temporary suspension could be extended or amended, which the Board of Commissioners now determines is necessary to allow continued work on the proposed changes to the STR program.

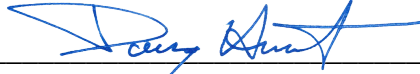
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NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners does resolve and order:

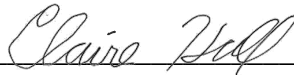
- 1) That Resolutions #20-4-3B, #20-27-4A, #20-21-9A and #20-21-12C are hereby extended to November 30, 2021 unless further extended by action of the Board or replaced with amendments to the County Code.
- 2) That except as changed above in paragraph one, all other terms and conditions of Resolution #20-4-3B remain in full force and effect and are incorporated herein as if fully set forth in this Resolution.
- 3) That copies of this Resolution be provided to the Short Term Rental Licensing Authority (Lincoln County Sheriff's Office), County Counsel and to the county PIO to distribute to the public through appropriate means.

DATED this 24th day of May, 2021.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Doug Hunt, Chair



Claire Hall, Commissioner



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