



TO: Councilor Jill Duson, Chair
Members of the Housing and Community Development Committee

FROM: Mary P. Davis, HCD Division Director
Housing and Community Development Division

DATED: October 19, 2018

SUBJECT: Proposal to Increase Short Term Rental Registration Fees

Introduction

During the May 21 meeting of the City Council, by a passage of 5 – 3, the City Council referred Order 225-17/18 (introduced by Mayor Ethan Strimling) to increase fees for registering short term rental units, and direct revenue related to the fee increase to the Housing Trust Fund. These changes would be effective January 1, 2019. The Council further ordered the Housing Committee to review the issue and provide its final recommendation to the Council. The committee initially considered this amendment at its July 31 and September 6, 2018 meeting where it was determined that a decision on this item would be delayed and considered as part of a package of proposed amendments to the Short Term Rental Registration Program. Therefore, the item is included in this agenda as part of the action item regarding Proposed Policy Changes to Chapter 6, Article VI, Residential Rental Unit Registration Requirements, as it applies to short-term rental units.

The *Order Referring a Proposal to Increase Short Term Rental Registration Fees to the Housing Committee* proposes to increase the fees for registering a short term rental unit to \$500 for the 1st unit; \$1,000 for the 2nd unit; \$2,000 for the 3rd unit; \$3,000 for the 4th unit; and \$5,000 for the 5th unit. The fee increase shall be applied to; an Owner-Occupied Single Family Home or Tenant Occupied Unit; Multi-Unit Owner-Occupied Buildings, and Island Short Term Rentals; and Multi-Unit Non-Owner Occupied Buildings.

Two Possible Committee Actions:

- (1) Recommendation to City Council to **Approve** the Proposal to Increase Short Term Rental Registration Fees
- (2) Recommendation to City Council to **NOT Approve** the Proposal to Increase Short Term Rental Registration Fees

Attachments: Order 225-17/18 Order Referring a Proposal to Increase Short Term Rental Registration Fees to the Housing Committee

Order 225-17/18

Passage: 5-3 (Mavodones, Costa, Duson) on 5/21/2018

Effective 5/31/2018

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**ORDER REFERRING A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE
SHORT TERM RENTAL REGISTRATION FEES TO THE HOUSING COMMITTEE**

ORDERED, that the City Council hereby refers a proposal to increase the fees for registering short term rental units to \$500.00 for the 1st unit, \$1,000 for the 2nd unit; \$2,000 for the 3rd unit, \$3,000 for the 4th unit and \$5,000 for the 5th unit, increasing revenues by \$250,000 in the Permitting and Inspections Department account 100-25-03, and that the revenue from the increase be allocated to the Housing Trust Fund, to the Housing Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Housing Committee review the issue and provide its final recommendation to the City Council.