

Dear Mayor Faulconer, Council President Cole, and City Council Members,

I'm writing today to request that the subject of Short Term Vacation Rentals (STVR) be placed on the City Council docket so that the constituents of the City of San Diego can have common-sense proposals to regulate and effectively limit the number of STVR's proliferating in our city's coastal residential zones.

I am supportive of 'home-sharing,' or the idea that a person residing on their property full-time may rent a room, or temporarily rent while away on vacation, but we need smart, common-sense rules that govern the use of these properties in our residentially zoned neighborhoods, and that can only come from you, our elected local leaders.

The notion that a homeowner should have the right to do whatever they want with their property is a fallacy. When someone has purchased a home in a single-family or multi-family zone, they have accepted the rules of that zoning. They do not have the right to turn their home into a motel, a restaurant or a factory to the detriment of everyone else in that zone, and that is precisely what we see happening in our neighborhood.

I thank you all for the important work you do every day, and I implore you to listen to the voices and hear the anxiety of the residents who are the fabric of our coastal community by placing this extremely important topic on the City Council docket so we can finally resolve these concerns in a way that is mutually beneficial for all, and protects the way of life in our beloved San Diego beach neighborhoods.

Sincerely,