

## PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

April 30, 2018

Honorable Mike Bonin City Councilman – City of Los Angeles 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: File # 14-1635-S2; Short Term Rental Regulation

Dear Councilmember,

On April 26, 2018, at a PPCC public Board meeting, during a report by Chair Emeritus, Chris Spitz, on the status of the Short Term Rental (STR) ordinance, board members expressed their insistence upon stringent rules, and I as Chair was able to obtain an affirmative sense of the board, consistent with our prior position on STRs (found here), that our board would like to see more rigorous regulations applied to STRs.

While PPCC opposes any extension of the annual cap, if the Council insists on allowing for "extended use" permits to exceed the currently contemplated 120 day cap, we reiterate that advance notice should be required to more than simply the "abutting" properties, as indicated in the proposal included in the Council agenda. Suggestions were made for a minimum advance notice requirement of 250 ft, up to 500 ft. We urge you to take the lead in encouraging Councilmembers to meaningfully increase the required notice to include impacted properties beyond just those abutting the short term rental unit or house in question.

The board also indicated volition to see caps of 120 days extended with more due diligence than a simple application process. We suggest a mechanism by which neighbors negatively affected by the rental of the property in their immediate neighborhood, may to be able to file a complaint with a city "hotline", and have those complaints be considered by the agency tasked with certifying "extensions", before the extension is granted on demand. This is consistent with other city permitting processes, where if there is an issue, permits cannot be granted "over the counter", but must be investigated.

We hope you are amenable to this input and can reflect the voice of our community as Councilmembers deliberate the details of this important regulation, which stands to impact housing in LA.

Sincerely,

Maryam Zar Chair, Pacific Palisades Community Council