

Community Development Department – October  
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# Short Term Rentals



# Purpose of Presentation

- County funded further study of Short Term Rentals (STR's)
- Current Development Code is silent on STR's



# Why is this not a part of Chapter 16 Update?

- Interdepartmental (beyond Planning)
- Taxation/Revenue Management

# Present

- Short-term rentals (STR's) silent in Chapter 16 Development Code.
- Current code has limited definitions. *Bed and breakfast*: owner-occupied dwelling unit that contains no more than five guestrooms where lodging, with or without meals, is provided for compensation.
- B&B's currently allowed by code in most residential districts + DT & M-U (Code Sec.16-287)
  - \$50 annual business license fee (Code Sec.12-35)
  - Parking req's: (Sec.16-370): 1 space per sleeping room 1 space for owner/manager, if applicable
- Approximately 25+ operators listed on host platforms in LAC; of those, it is unknown how many have active business licenses.

# Issues

- *Definitions*
- Ch 16 contains hotel, dwelling unit, bed and breakfast, guest, guesthouse, guestroom and residence.
- Code lacks necessary expanded definitions, including “STR”, “primary residence”, lodging, vacation rental
- More than 30 days?



# Questions for Consideration

Timeline: i.e. 90 days for RFP

Provide proposal to Council 6 month's after

STR study and/or ordinance not contingent upon Chapter 16.