



PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

October 27, 2015

Councilmembers Jose Huizar (Chair, PLUM Committee and member, Housing Committee),
Marqueece Harris-Dawson (Vice-Chair, PLUM Committee and member, Housing Committee),
Gil Cedillo (Chair, Housing Committee and member, PLUM Committee), Felipe Fuentes
(Vice-Chair, Housing Committee and member, PLUM Committee), Mitchell Englander
(member, PLUM Committee) and Curren D. Price, Jr. (member, Housing Committee)
Councilmembers Mike Bonin, Herb J. Wesson, Jr. and Paul Koretz (respectively, co-sponsors and
second of “Short Term Rentals” Motion in CF-14-1635-S2)
Los Angeles City Hall, 200 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Via Email

Re: OPPOSED - CF 14-1635-S2, “Short-Term Rentals / Transient Occupancy Tax / City’s Affordable Housing Trust Fund” Motion

Honorable Councilmembers:

Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) is the most broad-based community organization and the voice of the Palisades since 1973. As explained in PPCC’s letter of September 28, 2015 (on file in the above-referenced Council File), PPCC opposes the Motion by Councilmembers Bonin and Wesson and opposes any change in the current zoning laws regarding short-term rentals.

PPCC now understands that an ordinance is being drafted that would legalize short-term rentals in residential zones. In light of this fact, at its regular meeting on October 22, 2015 PPCC’s board passed the motion attached to this letter (recommended to all member councils by the leadership of the Westside Regional Alliance of Councils, as amended by PPCC – “WRAC-Recommended Motion”). PPCC remains strongly opposed to legalization of short-term rentals and emphasizes that any ordinance now being drafted must, **at a minimum**, include language to effectuate all of the regulatory measures set forth in the WRAC-Recommended Motion.

We reiterate the position expressed in our letter of September 28: PPCC is extremely concerned about an increasing assault on low-density and in particular R-1 zoning by regulation and planning measures which erode traditional protections long relied-upon by homeowners. With respect and great urgency, we request that instead of legalizing short-term rentals, **the City should take firm steps to enforce existing law.**

Sincerely,

Christina Spitz
President
Pacific Palisades Community Council

Attachment: WRAC-Recommended Short Term Rentals Motion (as amended by PPCC), adopted 10/22/15

CC's (via email):

Hon. Eric Garcetti, Mayor, City of Los Angeles
Michael LoGrande, Director of Planning, Department of City Planning
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with request for filing in CF 14-1635-S2