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Subject: A couple of Comments on the Draft VR Ordinance

Hello All -

I am on an extended vacation and will not be able to attend the September 26th committee meeting.

Here are a couple of comments I have based on my initial look at the materials, I hope you will consider them as you deliberate the ordinance section-by-section:

4.25.030-C-4 – Electronic Availability

Delete the word 'operator' on the third line.

4.25.030-D-2 – Guest registry

The Guest Registry must be available to all authorized city personnel, not just first responders. It will be impossible to audit compliance with room tax remittances and occupancy limits without access to the Guest Registry. An inaccurate or incomplete Guest Registry is a violation but if the registry cannot be reviewed, it cannot be used for enforcement.

Any privacy concerns (the original reason for limiting access to first responders) can easily be addressed by appropriate administrative policies, as is done with other sensitive information the city has access to.

14.25.030-C and E - Approval Standards, Occupancy and Parking

There should be language included that, regardless of the maximum occupancy established in subsection C, the maximum occupancy will be reduced if the parking standards cannot be met. Specifically, if the occupancy based on the number of bedrooms is established, it must be reduced if the required parking spaces cannot be provided.

I am asking for that clarification because a previous city code enforcement officer insisted, after reading the ordinance, that occupancy was solely determined by bedrooms and had nothing to do with parking.

Thanks for all your hard work.

Regards

Bob

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