

**CITY OF NEWPORT
RESOLUTION NO. 3857**

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING
A SHORT-TERM RENTAL ORDINANCE
IMPLEMENTATION WORK GROUP**

WHEREAS, City of Newport adopted Ordinance No. 2144, effective May 6, 2019, relating to the regulation of short-term rentals within the city limits; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2144 puts in place a new administrative framework for licensing short-term rentals, establishes siting and safety standards, and imposes limitations on the total number and location where vacation rental dwellings are permitted; and

WHEREAS, Effective implementation of Ordinance No. 2144 will require close coordination between the City's Finance, Community Development, Police and Fire Departments to ensure the new requirements are followed and enforced; and

WHEREAS, City is further working to secure the services of a third party vendor to supplement its short-term rental enforcement resources and that vendor's activities will need to be integrated into City's short-term rental program; and

WHEREAS, Considering complexities inherent to this new regulatory program, and community interest in its successful implementation, it is both appropriate and necessary to establish a work group to evaluate the program for a period of time to determine if desired policy objectives are being achieved.

THE CITY OF NEWPORT RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Short-Term Rental Ordinance Implementation Work Group Established. There is hereby established a Short-Term Rental Ordinance Implementation Work Group. Members shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. The Work Group shall be comprised of:

- A. Two members of the Newport City Council; and
- B. One member of the Planning Commission; and
- C. The City Manager of the City of Newport; and
- D. One representative of the short-term rental industry; and
- E. Two citizens at-large.

Section 2. Work Group Responsibilities. The Short-Term Rental Ordinance Implementation Work Group shall have the following powers, duties, and functions:

- A. Collect and evaluate information related to implementation of Ordinance No. 2144, including administrative steps taken by the City to carry out the provisions of the ordinance, legal decisions that may influence implementation, reports on permits issued, status of the waitlist, resolution of complaints, and enforcement actions undertaken by the City; and

- B. Provide recommendations to city administration on how implementation of the ordinance, as written, could be improved; and
- C. Prepare and present reports to the Planning Commission and City Council summarizing the group's observations related to the effectiveness of Ordinance No. 2144 in achieving policy objectives. Status reports shall be provided on a quarterly basis, with a final report of the Work Group's findings being issued by the end of September 2020. The final report may include recommendations for administrative changes or revisions to the ordinance that the Work Group believes are necessary to better achieve policy objectives.

Section 3. Administrative Support. The Community Development Department shall perform administrative functions for the Short-Term Rental Ordinance Implementation Work Group, with assistance from the City Attorney, Finance, Fire, and Police Departments on an as needed basis.

Section 4. Meeting Schedule and Duration. The Short-Term Rental Work Group shall conduct its first meeting no later than September 30, 2019 and shall meet on at least a quarterly basis thereafter for the period of time the work group is empaneled. The Work Group shall complete its work by December 31, 2020.


Section 5. Effective Date. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon passage.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Newport on June 3, 2019.



Dean H. Sawyer, Mayor

ATTEST:



Margaret M. Hawker, City Recorder