



# SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTAL PROGRAM AD-HOC COMMITTEE MINUTES THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020

## **CALL TO ORDER**

A special meeting of the Short-Term Vacation Rental Program Ad-Hoc Committee (Committee) was called to order at 4:01 p.m. by Committee Secretary Lorett.

This meeting was held by teleconference pursuant to Executive orders N-25-20, N-29-20, N-33-20, and N-35-20, executed by the Governor of California in response to the state of emergency relating to novel coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and enabling teleconferencing accommodations by suspending or waiving specified provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code § 54950 et seq.).

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Committee Members Best, Butler, Caldwell, Church, Coronel, Franco, Grotsky, Jonasson, McDonough, Monroe, Navarro, Shelton, Spinney, Tamm and Chair Schutz

ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Design & Development Director Castro, Hub Manager Sanchez, Permit Technician Lopez, Administrative Assistant/Committee Secretary Lorett, Public Safety Manager Mendez, Code Compliance Supervisor Meredith, Community Resources Director Escobedo, City Clerk Radeva, and City Manager McMillen

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Committee Secretary Lorett led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Committee Secretary Lorett announced the following WRITTEN PUBLIC COMMENTS were received as of 12:00 p.m., which were distributed to the

Committee, and incorporated into the agenda packet and public record of the meeting:

- Erin Dibble – in support of STVRs;
- Don Alexander, Rod McGuire on behalf of a La Quinta Resident, Chuck Meadows, and the Cove Neighborhood Steering Committee – in opposition of STVRs;
- Kurt Petersen, Kasey Lund, Jolie Leydekkers, Steve and Jeanyne Marshall, Gary Morlock, and Brian Kidd – in opposition of City Executive Order No. 10 imposing a 90-day moratorium on issuing new STVR licenses;
- Lawrence Van Pelt – in opposition of STVR restrictions;
- Lola Hernandez – in support of STVR restrictions;
- Linda Hagood – provided recommendations for the Committee’s consideration related to the STVR program;
- David Dinnel – in opposition of City Executive Order No. 9 and in support of STVRs;
- Ted Cohen – expressed concerns about residents’ reports of unfounded STVR complaints;
- Kurt and Mary Lindquist – STVR regulations’ enforcement.

**CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA** – Confirmed

**REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**1. PUBLIC MEETINGS AND COMMITTEE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

City Clerk Radeva presented a brief overview of the division of powers within a local government structure; state and local regulations related to conducting public meetings; and the roles and responsibilities of members appointed to serve on City Boards, Commissions, and Committees.

City Clerk Radeva answered related questions from Committee Members. Staff outlined the process in which the City Council receiving an update on Sub-Committee enforcement recommendations prior to the regular Committee meeting; and related published agenda packets and notices in advance of the August 4, 2020, City Council meeting.

**BUSINESS SESSION**

**1. APPROVE ENFORCEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Community Resources Director Escobedo presented the staff report, which is

on file in the Design and Development Department.

The Committee reviewed and discussed the updates made to the Enforcement Sub-Committee recommendations.

**MOTION** – A motion was made and seconded by Committee Members Monroe/McDonough to approve the report containing the Enforcement Recommendations for the STVR Program as submitted. AYES: Committee Members Best, Butler, Caldwell, Church, Grotzky, McDonough, Monroe, Shelton, Spinney, and Chair Schutz. NOES: Committee Members Coronel, Franco, Jonasson, Navarro, and Tamm. ABSENT: None. ABSTAIN: None. Motion passed 10-5.

## **STUDY SESSION**

### **1. DISCUSS DENSITY SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT AND UPDATE**

Design and Development Director Castro presented the staff report, which is on file in the Design and Development Department; provided an overview of the Density Sub-Committee's focus and objectives, consisting of the following two main density topics: in home/rental density and property density.

Committee discussion followed regarding the Density Sub-Committee's membership, as approved by the Committee at the August 6, 2020, regular meeting; and staff provided guidance on the established process for placing items on future agendas for Committee consideration.

## **CHAIRPERSON AND COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS**

Staff provided information on how the newly approved Enforcement Recommendations for the STVR Program will be prepared and presented to City Council.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, it was moved and seconded by Committee Members Monroe/McDonough to adjourn this meeting at 6:01 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Loretto

LORI LORETT, Committee Secretary  
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