

Short-Term Rental Accommodation

Regulatory Direction







- ▶ Kelowna's context
- ► Public engagement
- Case studies
- Regulatory options
- ► Licensing & enforcement
- Next steps

Short-Term Rentals in Kelowna



- ► Minimum 30-day tenancy in residential zones
- ► Allowed in some commercial zones
- ► Approx. 1,200 short-term rental units
 - > 78% are entire dwelling units









Long-Term Rentals

- ► Low vacancy rate
- > 73% of new households rent (2011-2016)
- ► Need 550 new rental units annually
- ► Approx 10,000 units in secondary rental market
 - Secondary suites, carriage houses, full homes



Neighbourhood Impacts

- ► Nuisances especially in residential neighbourhoods
 - Noise, parking, garbage
- ► Increasing number of complaints to Bylaw Services

When Airbnb rentals turn into nuisance neighbourhood frustrated with Airbnb

Incress: 'It's become a real nuisance' rise in noise complaints

Downtown Victoria canda awners ask for limits and vacation rentals The long-term problems of short-term rentals in Montreal



Accommodation Industry

- ▶ 'Hotel room tax' of 3% (hotels, motels, resorts)
 - ► Funds for tourism marketing & programs
- Provincial agreement with Airbnb to collect occupancy taxes



Public Survey

- Diverse views from residents & business owners
- ▶ Top themes:
 - Affordability for homeowners & tourists
 - ► Homeowner's decision how to use property
 - Benefit for tourism industry
 - Regulation of short-term rentals
 - Noise concerns

Hotels and Motels condo complex Residential Areas Regardless

Vacation Rentals Alternative Noise Struggling Regulations

collect Home Owners Survey Long Term

Neighborhood Property Low Income Air Bnb Bed

Tourists Excellent Tourism Report Neighbourhood Treated

Summer Months Housing Shortage Insurance



Case Studies

Municipality	Location of Short-Term Rentals	Licensing & Enforcement
Nelson	Most zones	Municipal bylaw enforcement
Tofino	Limited locations	Contract with Host Compliance
Vancouver	Most zones & locations Operator's principal residence only	Business license must be included in listing Agreement with Airbnb
Victoria	Most residential areas Operator's principal residence only	Business license must be included in listing RFP for third party compliance group



Guiding Principles

- Ensure short-term rental accommodations do not impact long-term rental housing supply in negative way.
- Ensure short-term rental accommodations are good neighbours.
- Ensure equity among short-term accommodation providers.



Regulatory Approach

- ► Limit to operator's principal residence only
- ▶ Identify residential and commercial zones
- Specify requirements for parking, signage, etc.
- ► Require business license & ensure cost recovery
- ► Provide for proactive enforcement



Next Steps

Draft policies & regulations

Prepare licensing & enforcement structure

Engage stakeholders Refine regulations

Council consideration



Questions?

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