# Prepared for the City of Kelowna

Business Licence 4089807

Peter Drummond | March 29, 2025

## **Conditions to Maintain Our Business License**



#### **Good Neighbour Agreement**

Commitment to compliance



#### **Unfounded Complaints**

Complaints primarily directed at us, the owners—contradicting our neighbours' claims and unrelated to our business license



#### **Principal Residence**

Confirming our homeownership status



Wishes to demonstrate to the City of Kelowna (the "City"), and the Citizens of Kelowna their effort to be a responsible short-term rental accommodation operator within the City of Kelowna.

Recognizes their role as a responsible operator and neighbor within the community and agrees to work with the City and its departments to resolve all concerns.

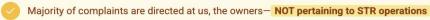
Wishes to promote Kelowna as a vibrant, safe, and attractive community for the enjoyment of everyone, including residents, visitors, businesses, and their workers.

Recognizes that non-compliance with the short-term rental accommodation agreement may be brought to the attention of the Business Licensing Manager, Licence Inspector, or City Council, and may trigger a licence suspension and/or revocation hearing.

Recognizes that short-term rental accommodation operators have a civic responsibility to address the conduct of their patrons; and that the Good Neighbor Bylaw No. 11500, Traffic Bylaw No. 8120 and other City Bylaws require that certain standards of conduct and maintenance apply to their properties used for short-term rental accommodations.

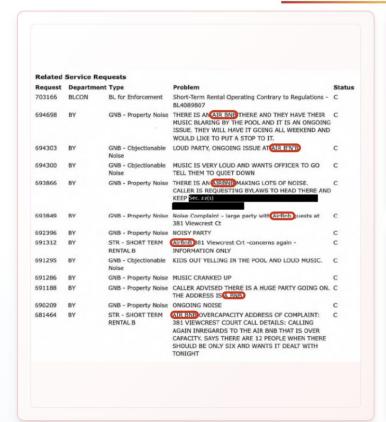
Recognizes that should the Licensee's licence be suspended or cancelled and any short-term rental accommodation bookings and/or nuisance incidents pertaining to the operation of a short-term rental accommodation continue to occur and remain unresolved, the City may exercise its power to pursue additional enforcement action including increasing fines and/or legal injunctive action.



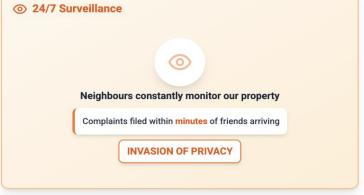




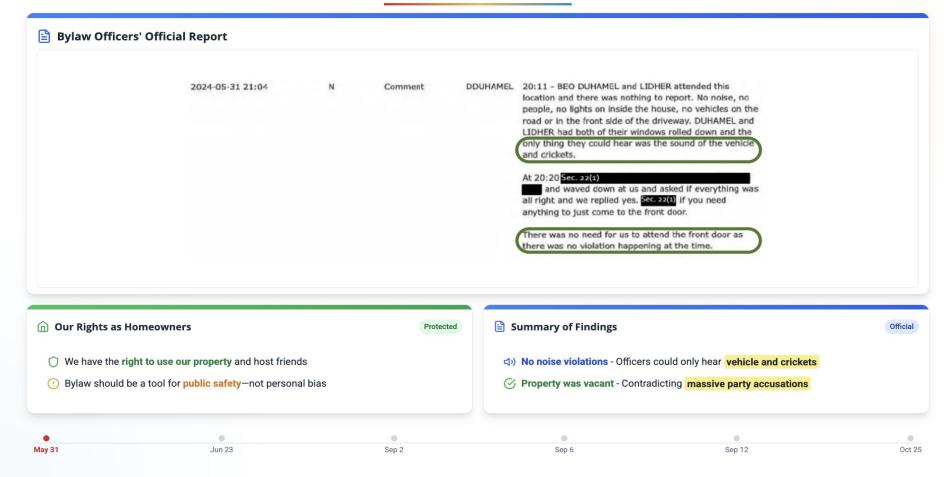
#### **May 31 - Noise Complaints**







#### **May 31 - Official Findings**



#### May 31 - Our Actual Weekend

#### **Best Friend's Birthday Weekend**

Friday Dinner at The Ricco Room



Saturday Wine Tour at Mirabel

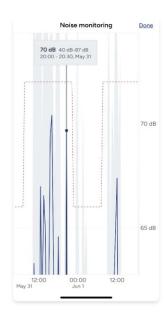


**Dinner at Cedar Creek** 



#### Official Evidence

Friday Morning: Sarah Krakower from the City of Kelowna conducted a scheduled inspection of our property



#### Both electronic monitoring and official bylaw reports

confirm no violations occurred



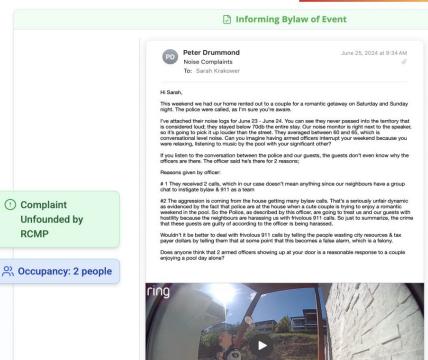








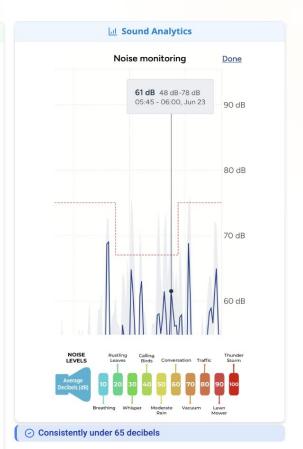
# **June 23 - Noise Complaints**



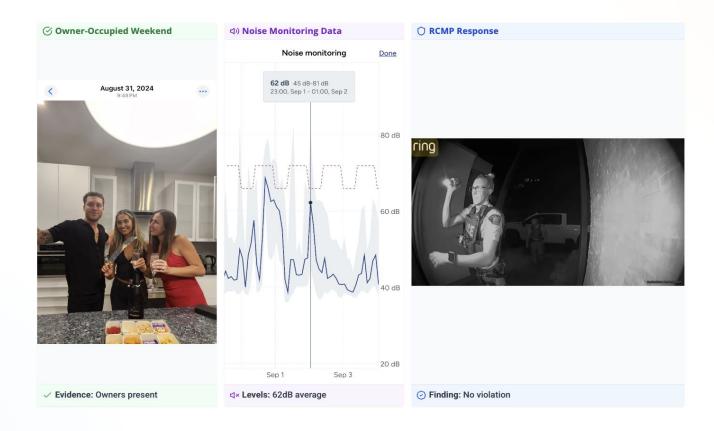
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**RCMP** 

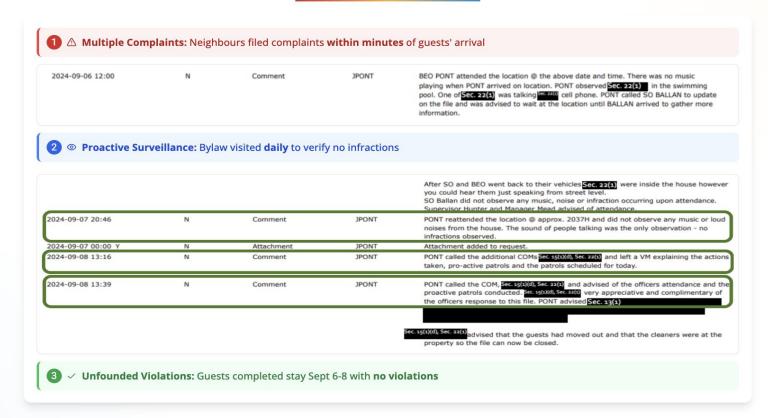
Unfounded by



#### Sep 2 - Noise Complaints



#### **Sep 6 - Noise Complaints**



#### **Sep 12 - Parking Complaint**

# From: Sec. 15(a)(d), Sec. 27(a) To: Bylan Services Subject: Sli Viewcrest court parking on street Date: September 11, 2024 10:25:20 PM Attachments: IMG 7904.jpeg CAUTION: External email - Check before you click! Hello

To follow up on complaints for 381 Viewcrest court. What seems to be the owners have now appeared and parked their Tesla accoss the road two houses down from their driveway. Renters in updstairs unit so likely cannot use their driveway. They are parked [355,500,00,500,700]

Neighbour filed complaint about our car parked on the public road.

#### **⊗** Bylaw Photo Evidence

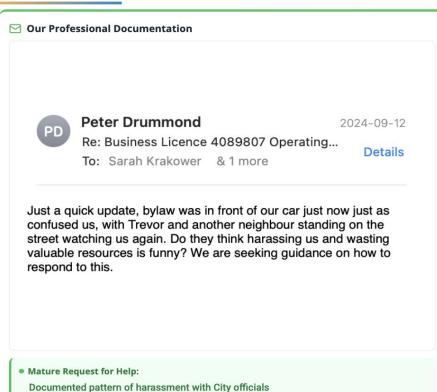


Bylaw officer confirmed the car was legally parked.



#### **Sep 12 - Neighbourhood Response**





May 31 Jun 23 Sep 2 Sep 6 **Sep 12** Oct 25

#### **Sep 12 - Official Findings**

#### **Sylaw Confirmation: No Violation**

History						
	System	Show on				
Action Dat	Generated	Internet	Action	Keyed By	Comments	
2024-09-12	2024-09-12 09:49 Y		Opened	TBROWN	Complainant Info Same as 709103	
2024-09-12	00:00 Y	N	Attachment	TBROWN	Attachment added to request.	
2024-09-12	10:00	N	Comment	MHARDMAN	Officer called the Requestor to discuss the vehicle in question SK-210 concerns.  Requestor thought they had to park in the driveway. Officer informed SK-210 are allowed to park on the roadway as long as they are not in contravention of the Traffic Bylaw:  over 24 hours  within 3 meters of a driveway  within 5 meters of a driveway  within 6 meters of a stop sign  within 9 meters of an intersection.  Requestor wasn't sure how far away they were, Officer said he would attend and chalk the curb at 3 meters so he would know for the future. Requestor was happy with the information and assistance.	
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2024-09-12	10:36	N	Comment	MHARDMAN	Officer attended took the attached photos and contacted the Requestor to inform Sec. 22(1) where approximately the chalk mark was, Sec. 22(2) me again for attending. The owners of the vehicle and the house with the Airbnb came out, Sec. 22(1) Sec. 22(1)  Officer said he Sec. 22(1) concerns but there was no bylaw violation) We discussed common parking infractions like those listed in the previous note. They thanked me for the information.	No Bylaw Violation

"Officer informed [complainant] they are allowed to park on the roadway as long as they are not in contravention of the Traffic Bylaw... Officer said there was no bylaw violation."

⚠ Pattern of Harassment

## Oct 25 - Family Wine Tour

#### Reality Gathering

Occupancy: 10 family members

Annabelle's dad's brothers and their families were visiting for a wine tour weekend in the Okanagan Valley.

#### **♥** Wine Tour Destinations



Quail's Gate



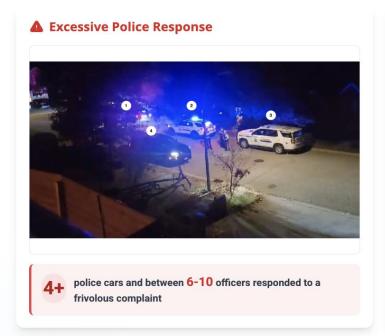
Hidden Vines Family Estate



**Crown & Thieves** 

Sep 6

#### Oct 25 - Noise Complaint





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The Contrast: Officers confirmed there were no violations and recognized this as part of a pattern of harassment to Annabelle, the owner.

May 31 Jun 23 Sep 2 Sep 6 Sep 12 Oct 25

#### **Timeline of Events**



#### **The Home Memories**













#### **Official Compliance Confirmation**



#### **City of Kelowna Verification**



#### 2025 BUSINESS LICENCE

THIS LICENCE MUST BE POSTED IN A PROMINENT LOCATION AT THE BUSINESS PREMISES. THE FOLLOWING BUSINESS IS HERBEBY LICENCED IN ACCORDANCE WITH BUSINESS LICENCE AND REGULATION BYLAW NO. 12585

DESCRIPTION: SHORT-TERM RENTAL - PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE # OF UNITS: 3

BUSINESS & MAILING ADDRESS: PETER DRUMMOND AB&B PETER DRUMMOND 381 VIEWCREST CRT KELOWNA BC V1W 4J9 ACCOUNT NO: 4089807

- Sylaw Services confirmed: Property is in full compliance with all municipal regulations
- Business License: Legally registered Short-Term Rental Principal Residence



#### **Ministry of Housing Verification**

HOUS Short-Term Rental Branch CEU HOUS:EX <ceu.str@gov.bc.ca>

to me \*

Hi Annabelle.

Thank you for your response. I will add this email to your file and conclude it.

Thank you for your co-operation with the file.

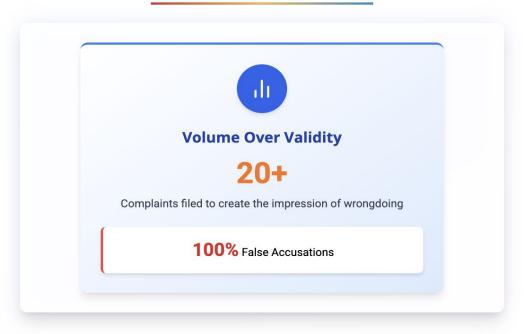
**Christine Sergeant** 

- Officer Christine Sergeant: Compliance and Enforcement Unit within the Short-Term Rentals Branch
- Provincial confirmation: Short-term rental operation meets all provincial requirements

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Both municipal and provincial authorities have confirmed our full compliance with all applicable regulations and requirements.

# **The Complaint Strategy**



# **The Reality**



#### **The Truth About Our Family**

My mom and baby brother, **NOT** my mistress and child.

☆ I bought this home to retire her,

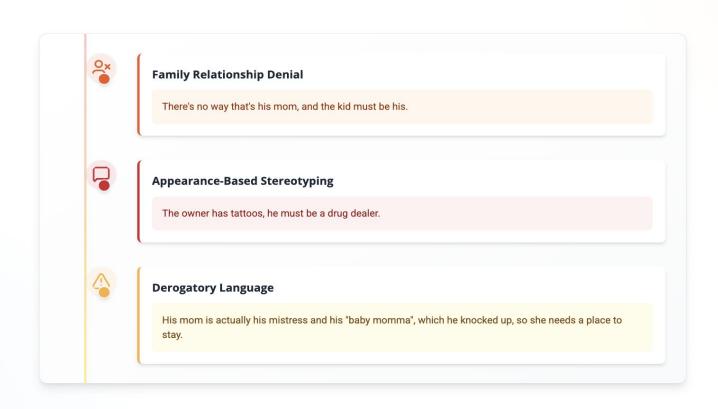
not to have the community make her feel threatened and unsafe, especially with a newborn.

# Hysteria



Feb 19, 2025 - 2 Car Accidents

#### **Discriminatory Rumours**



#### **Social Media Threats**









Direct threat of arson against our home



"Windows keep getting smashed"

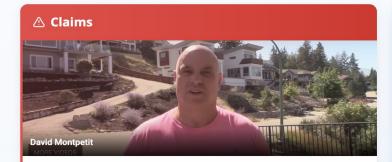
Threat of property damage



"10k and a few little homies..."

Threat of organized violence

#### **The False Statements**



"We have **never met the resident** there, we do not know who they are. Otherwise I would have gone up to the door and knocked and said please keep it down."

"Someone rolling in to put up Christmas lights, a tree, and other accoutrements that make it look like it is a home, not just a party stop."

**Castanet Interview** 

#### **① The Credibility Question**

- **△** The Reality
- Met David the first day we moved in
- Gave him our phone number
- He has spoken with several family members

If he's lying about our presence...

If he's making unfounded complaints...

If he's ignoring direction from authorities...

How could his demonstrably false testimony be trusted?

# **Impact on Our Family**



#### **Anxiety Medication**

Annabelle prescribed anti-anxiety medication due to stress and fear from constant surveillance



#### **Sleepless Nights**

Chronic insomnia for both of us, constantly worrying about potential confrontations



#### **Privacy Invasion**

Installed additional security measures due to feeling constantly watched by neighbors

#### **The Owners**

#### Peter Drummond

VP Sales, Financial Automation | 8 years at Quadient

# quadient

Because connections matter.

March 21, 2025

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This letter confirms that **Peter Drummond** has been employed with Quadient CXM Canada, Inc. since **July 1, 2017**.

As of 2023, Quadient approved Peter Drummond's relocation to Kelowna, with his principal address at **381 Viewcrest Court**. He currently holds the position of **VP Sales, Financial Automation**, overseeing a team of **16 individuals** and managing a broad scope of responsibilities within his role.

This is a permanent, full-time position with a standard workweek of 37.5 hours. We consider Peter Drummond a valued member of our team and appreciate his ongoing contributions.

If you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

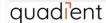
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Caity Croxen Associate HRBP c.croxen@quadient.com



#### Annabelle Kovacs

Senior Director, SDRs | 7 years at Quadient



Because connections matter.

March 21, 2025

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This letter confirms that **Annabelle Kovacs** has been employed with Quadient CXM Canada, Inc. since July 3, 2018.

As of 2023, Quadient approved **Annabelle Kovacs'** relocation to Kelowna, with her principal address at **381 Viewcrest Court**. She currently holds the position of Senior Director, SDRs, overseeing a team of **13** individuals and managing a broad scope of responsibilities within her role.

This is a permanent, full-time position with a standard workweek of 37.5 hours. We consider Annabelle Kovacs a valued member of our team and appreciate their ongoing contributions.

If you have any questions or require further information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Associate HRBP
c.croxen@quadient.com



#### **The Contrast**





#### **The Harassment**

# **Global News Coverage**





We were cleared—again and again—but our neighbours keep harassing us and the authorities with unfounded complaints.



#### **Our Commitment to Transparency**

#### Our Approach: Document Everything



Thanks in advance.

#### **Complete Documentation**

Maintained detailed records of all interactions with neighbours, bylaw officers, and city officials

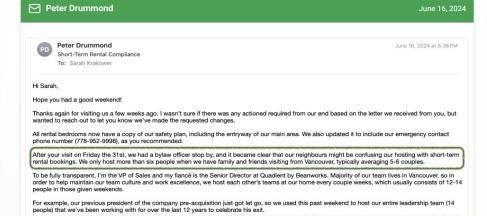


What would most men do?

more than our guests.

#### **Proactive Communication**

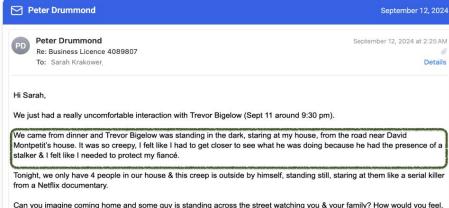
Regularly updated authorities about compliance efforts and reported harassment incidents



As mentioned, we strive to be extremely respectful to our neighbours. Fortunately, there were no bylaw visits this weekend. I want to assure you that when

we have a large number of guests, it is not due to renting out our home but rather enjoying it ourselves.

Please let me know if we are all set on your end or if you need anything else from us to ensure compliance.



how is this okay? How would he feel if some guy was standing outside his house staring into his window at his wife and kids?

We're not selling our home regardless of their creepy, invasive, harassment. We've had RCMP or Bylaw called on us almost

every single time we had friends stay over for the last 3 years. As far as I can tell, our group has spoken to the authorities

# **Responsible Operators**

We have always prioritized being good neighbours:



Noise monitors and cameras ensure guest compliance



#### **Minimum Stays**

2-night minimum on weekends prevents parties



#### **Risk Management**

Cancel high-risk bookings and block party holidays



#### **Strict Rules**

Guest conduct guidelines with immediate eviction penalties



#### **Occupancy Limits**

Maximum 6 guests for rentals, no exceptions



#### **Direct Management**

Personally managed with zero fines in over 2 years



#### WiFi Controls

Monitor connections to verify occupancy and prevent parties

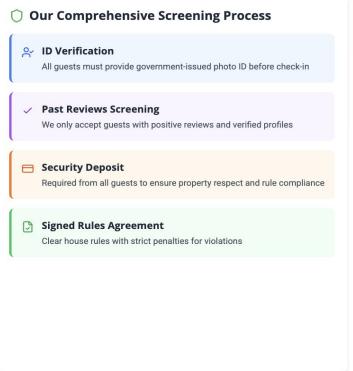


#### **Guest Screening**

Only accept guests with 5-star ratings, deny those with no reviews

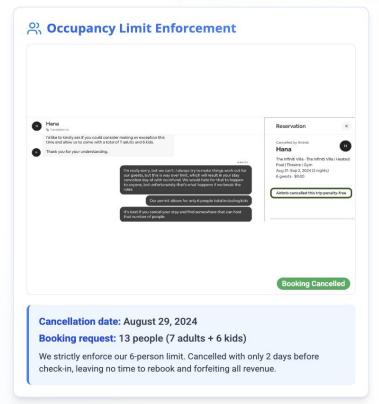
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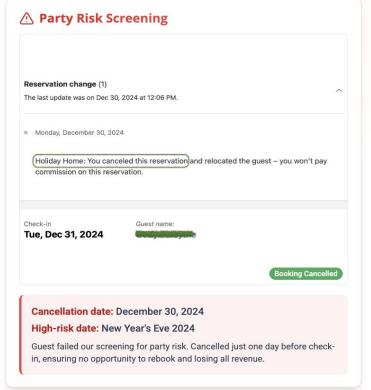




We're proud to have gone 2+ years without evicting or fining any guests.

#### **Responsible Operators - Proactive Risk Management**





Compliance is the priority, even when it means sacrificing revenue.

#### **2024 Guest Registry**



# **The Neighbourhood Power Dynamics**



Global News "I want this eliminated and gone by this spring, if not the next couple of months." - David Montpetit





# Global News Reporter Klaudia Van Emmerik Only 1 attempt to contact us ONE-SIDED STORY



Ravi Kahlon

"We have an enforcement unit hoping to take action"

PRESUMED GUILTY



#### **Bylaw Surveillance**

Zero violations despite daily checks

DAILY MONITORING



Will Kelowna Stand for Fairness-or Let Well-Connected Neighbours Set the Rules?

4 A Plea for Fairness Over Retaliation

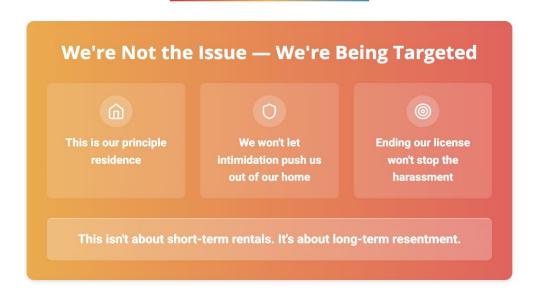
Despite being advised to pursue legal action and media exposure, we chose a path of trust in the City's processes.

We believe in resolving issues based on facts, not headlines.

# **The Real Nuisance**

- Who is the real nuisance here?
- ⚠ Is 20+ False Accusations not enough?
- Who are the real victims ?

# **Ongoing Harassment**



# **Conclusion**

# **Canceling our license would set a troubling precedent:**

- 1 Unfairly target neighbours, disregarding facts and due process
- 2 Destabilize families who rely on lawful busines
- 3 Erode trust in equitable governance

We trust the City shares our commitment to <u>fair governance</u> and ensuring policies serve their <u>intended purpose</u>

# **Thank You**

Your time and attention to this important matter that affects our family's wellbeing is greatly appreciated.



Thank you for allowing us to share our truth.

We remain committed to being responsible property owners and good neighbours.