

Communication from Public

Name: Sixto Sicilia

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Council File No: 14-1635-S10

Comments for Public Posting: LA City Council is proposing on STR's which affects not only my financial stability but most importantly, the basic American Value of protection of individual rights. With the latest restriction, the Council wants Hotels, and what I would think would be companies renting out their properties to register their entities with the Police department. In addition, the Council has also placed US private citizens in the same bucket. It was bad enough that our information was placed on a public website revealing to the public our private business. This is all super triggering since it reminds me of all the atrocities against private citizens in Cuba (where I am from) and an assault on basic American values. Is Los Angeles becoming a police state There are distinct lines of demarcation between corporations and individual private citizens. Please read on: Supreme Court of the United States Hale vs. Hinkle (pages 74 and 75), the difference between an individual and a corporation when it comes to business! (we are NOT hotels). Obey decisions of what has been written on this issue LA City Council! A refresher: "The individual may stand upon his constitutional rights as a citizen. He is entitled to carry on his private business in his own way. His power to contract is unlimited. He owes no duty to the State or to his neighbors to divulge his business, or to open his doors to an investigation, so far as it may tend to criminate him. He owes no such duty to the State, since .he receives nothing therefrom, beyond the protection of his life and property." According to this ruling, even your public disclosure of private citizens who share their home is illegal. Home sharing is one of the only ways left for me to keep up with the rising costs in LA. I host in my primary residence and work hard to stay in compliance with the City's short-term rental permit process (especially since there is never anyone to answer questions promptly or not send you a pre-writing script that never answers the question, to begin with! We often do not know if we comply or not. This is my private property. I have a room that I share because not only does it help financially but with the Social aspect of maintaining good healthy mental health habits. By the way, I am a Holistic Health practitioner. When in Europe I loved the whole concept I met et some great people who shared their cities and cultures with me, intimate and enlightening, the same that I do when I have guests come to town. What is the specific

reason why I would have to register with the POLICE DEPARTMENT? Again I will state that I was born in Cuba where police infringement on private lives was and is the norm. I adamantly feel the council needs to acquaint itself with Hale vs Hinkle, 1905, pages 74 and 74 to be specific. We spent years helping shape the existing regulations, and now these last-minute extreme requirements that would force residents to go to the police for permission to share their own homes are being rushed through to a Council vote without public input. This ill-conceived bureaucratic overreach will affect thousands of Angelenos. LA residents who share their homes are unfairly getting dragged into a backroom deal between hotels and UNITE Here. Please don't add even more hurdles for this crucial service that helps me and so many other hosts in LA make ends meet. Yes backroom, NOT TRANSPARENT.

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Name: Neighbor with party houses on 3 sides

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Comments for Public Posting: The current “ enforcement” shirks any direct action or involvement , leaving it to us neighbors to either call the police , or the city calls the party house leasing agent. It’s an improvement over calling the police and staying up all night waiting, if the agent respond, but not enough. With party houses on 3 sides of me, there has to be a owner who will get calls 24/7; a public database that we can look up phone numbers; spot checking of owner occupancy; check on complaints; no outdoor amplified music permissible; no outdoor smoking permissible, and required submission of annual applicable tax returns.Enforcement should include mandatory citations if the police are involved. These are hotels and bars operating in our residential neighborhoods, loud loud loud, and they should be actively monitored,

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Name: M Timme

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Comments for Public Posting: I understand the Hotel Lobby has convinced LA city council representatives to begin instituting a Police State maneuver to control the Airbnb hosts, aka the criminal element in our midst, aka the good mom and pop folks sharing their homes with travelers in order to make ends meet. Wtaf?! Have you forgotten who you are supposed to be representing? (Hint: The people not the corporations) We contribute millions to the city through onerous regulations, fees, and taxes, we represent the best of what this city has to offer visitors and draw 1000s of people who would not otherwise come, and most of us need the income from STR to survive. Please do not pass this outrageous bill. Please do not treat us with such derision and disrespect!

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Comments for Public Posting: In 2017 residents of Los Angeles were promised a short-term rental ordinance that would allow people to rent all or part of their primary residence on a short-term basis. This was a sensible rule for many reasons. This rule is often not being followed in whole-unit unhosted rentals, and the residents of Los Angeles are being adversely affected by this situation. I have had dozens of sleepless nights due to short term party rentals. Right next door, a home was rented for a week straight by young adults, presumably teenagers who partied nonstop 24/7 blaring music in the neighborhood. When I would leave to the gym at 6am, they would be in the street, throwing empty beer glasses leaving shards for dogs to step on. These parties went on for 6 days straight; the police never showed up; and nothing ever happened to hold these idiots accountable. There needs to be better answers and systems in place to prevent these circumstances, and faster responders for when they happen. There needs to be accountability and punishment. We appreciate and support Planning's proposals for improving the system and ask that the reforms they suggest be implemented as quickly as possible. They do not go far enough to address the many issues that come with whole-unit unhosted rentals. To ensure that the program benefits all Angelenos, the City must either provide systematic and effective enforcement of all the rules or remove the substantial financial incentive to cheat the system. Please also direct departments to amend the short-term rental ordinance to do as Planning suggests and to ensure greater safety in our neighborhoods.

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Comments for Public Posting: Unhosted whole house rentals owned by people with no stake in the neighborhood are and continue to invite crime and nuisance activity. The City must either remove the financial incentive to cheat or provide enforcement at a level that provides a deterrent effect. Complaints by neighbors must be taken seriously and followed up by the enforcement officers. Only strong enforcement can make the law work.