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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(18) Nay(1) Abstain(4) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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Type of NC Board Action: For

#### Impact Information

Date: 03/19/2023

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Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 14-1635-S10

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: Please see updated community impact statement from Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council requesting an end to whole-house, unhosted short term rentals within the Very High Fire Severity Hazard Zone.



March 18, 2023

City Council  
City of Los Angeles

**Re: Council File #14-1635-S10 – Request to Ban Whole-House Unhosted Short-Term Rentals in Very High Fire Severity Zone**

Honorable Councilmembers:

The Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council has previously weighed in on this motion, however recent events have led us to request this substantive change in the short-term rental program.

The Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council is in a very high fire hazard severity zone. Additionally, many homes in our area are far from the police and fire stations that serve them. Community members are well-versed in fire prevention rules, however hundreds of homes in our area are being used as short-term rentals. The vast majority of these are whole-house rentals, where the entire property is being offered, often by a management company.

When there is no host at home, there is no responsible party on hand to prevent hazardous activities such as exterior smoking or the use of fireworks. This is a dangerous situation for our neighborhood.

Further, LAPD staffing levels are currently at a level where a single catastrophic incident can disable the ability to respond to any other events. Since short term rentals are prone to catastrophic incidents, this means that their existence creates further vulnerability in the neighborhood.

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This situation played out on February 28. Police response to a tragic multiple homicide at a short-term rental party house in Beverly Crest prevented police response to another unruly party house incident occurring in Bel Air and potentially to other life-threatening situations.

We know now after years of experience worldwide that having short-term rentals in neighborhoods brings at best bad neighbors into the mix and at worse (and not infrequently) violent or hazardous situations.

Bel Air-Beverly Crest Neighborhood Council therefore requests that the Planning Department and City Council seriously consider a ban on whole-house unhosted short-term rentals in very high fire hazard severity zones. This position was passed by the Board at a duly noticed public meeting with a quorum present and a vote of 18 yes, 1 no, and 4 abstentions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Travis Longcore". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the beginning and a large loop at the end.

Travis Longcore, Ph.D.  
President