



Public Comment #19
County of El Dorado Clerk of the Board <edc.cob@edcgov.us>
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April 11, 2021 meeting Anti clustering of the Vacation Rental Homes

1 message

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Thu, May 6, 2021 at 7:55 AM

To: bosfour@edcgov.us, bosone@edcgov.us, bosthree@edcgov.us, bostwo@edcgov.us, edc.cob@edcgov.us

Dear Board of Supervisors

Hi, my name is Patti Wheeler and I am writing to you today in regards to a 500 foot or more distance between Vacation Rental Homes.

I moved to Tahoe to retire into a community, a neighborhood, not to live near tourists that come to vacation. I want a sense of community and have neighbors who are friends, who help each other out. Unless you have lived next to a Vacation Home Rental, you will not know how much noise, litter etc there is around these rentals. I understand that tourists help our economy but they should be staying in hotels, not neighborhoods. Unfortunately they are taking away living spaces from locals who work in Tahoe and have a hard time finding a place to live.

We need to put an end to this issue, we want to see a 500 foot buffer between Vacation Rental Homes, we have been waiting patiently for over 2 years now. We need action now, PLEASE!

Thank you for allowing me to express my concerns.

Respectfully,

Patti Wheeler. 3025 Lodgepole Trail, South Lake Tahoe, Ca 96150



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VHH Clustering

1 message

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Thu, May 6, 2021 at 8:39 AM

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Cc: County of El Dorado Clerk of the Board <edc.cob@edcgov.us>

Dear Supervisors,

I have written to you several times, voiced my concerns to you at meetings and have had conversations with your staff members regarding the problems of VHR clustering. Therefore, noting that this matter is on your action agenda next week, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for addressing this unbearable situation and taking the much needed action that will grant the relief that my neighbors and I have requested over the years.

I must tell you that the situation has gotten so bad that my wife and I have seriously considered selling our home at Lake Tahoe. Sadly, such a sale most likely would only exacerbate the problem for my neighbors. But, as you know, restricting additional clustering will not alleviate the current situation. Additional action will need to be taken if our neighborhoods are to be returned to the truly residential communities that they were originally intended to be.

Thanks again for your continued help in this very important matter. Your efforts are, and will be greatly appreciated,

Sincerely,

Joe Arton



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Board of Supervisors Agenda Item 19 - 500-Foot Distance for VHRs

1 message

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Thu, May 6, 2021 at 2:40 PM

To: bosone@edcgov.us, bostwo@edcgov.us, bosthree@edcgov.us, bosfour@edcgov.us, edc.cob@edcgov.us, Donald Ashton <don.ashton@edcgov.us>

Good day, Board Members,

I am writing to request that you adopt a 500-foot distance between vacation rentals to address the clustering problems that continue to grow in the unincorporated area of South Lake Tahoe. 300 feet will not remedy the problems.

At the beginning of 2018 we warned the board of supervisors that if Measure T, the voter initiative to exclude vacation rentals from residential neighborhoods in the City of South Lake Tahoe passed, realtors would push buyers desiring a vacation rental into the unincorporated area. Our fears have become a reality. I am attaching a postcard from a local realtor indicating that vacation rentals in the City will soon be eliminated and there are only 900 permits available in the county. "Come one, come all, and hurry up!" seems to be the message.

A distance requirement has been discussed for three long years. This issue was originally to have been discussed in January, 2020, however a key staff member was out on leave and then the pandemic hit. We recognized that your focus necessarily had to be on addressing the pandemic, so we waited patiently, all the while watching as our community was dwindling, as one by one, long-time residents threw in the towel and moved away, making their home available to become the next mini-motel without a manager. We anticipated this issue would be dealt with earlier this year, but it was delayed again to this point.

While waiting for this issue to be addressed, a residential property on Saponi Street with a vacation rental on each side, went on the market earlier this year. The new owner has applied for a VHR permit, so now we have three in a row. This is exactly what this anti-clustering approach was designed to prevent. Timing is everything and it certainly didn't work out well for the neighborhood. I am attaching a photo of the three homes that are located at 1748, 1752, and [1758 Saponi Street](#).

I will forever be grateful to former District 2 Supervisor Shiva Frentzen for hearing our pleas for a temporary moratorium in 2017 and again in 2018. She twice moved to grant our request to temporarily halt issuance of additional VHR permits while the various issues could be sorted out. I remember well her statement "we need to stop the bleeding". Unfortunately, her motion failed, as our own District 5 supervisor refused to hear our pleas. I am also grateful to you, Chairman Hidahl and Supervisor Parlin, for voting last year to limit the number of permits to 900 when our own representative wanted to see a higher limit of 1,050, completely disregarding our concerns that our neighborhoods are disintegrating.

We need the 500-foot distance requirement. Anything less will not provide the relief we so desperately need. It is important to remember that our neighborhoods already have a clustering problem and the board has indicated you plan to grandfather all existing VHRs. You are not starting with a clean slate. Further, your own slide presentation indicates that the 500-foot distance requirement corresponds well with the limit of 900 permits. Even with the 500-foot distance, it will take years, if not decades, to remedy the clustering we already have. The attrition approach will take time.

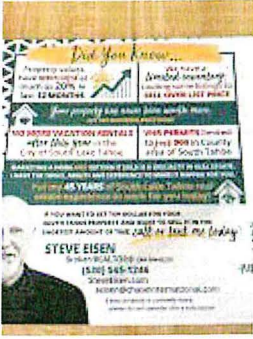
I believe Tahoe residents have been very reasonable in our requests. We have never requested a total ban, and we have waited patiently as we watch our neighborhoods continue to decline. We appreciate the time and attention the board and your staff have given to this complex issue but it is time to take definitive action.

We look forward to your affirmative action to finally "stop the bleeding".

Thank you.


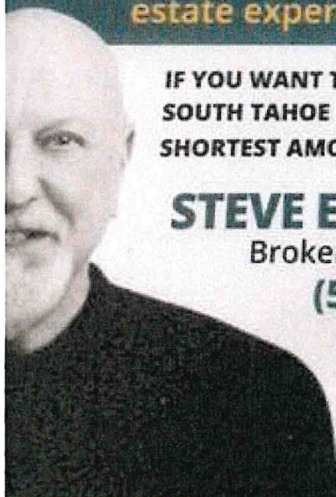
Janet McDougall

2 attachments**VHR 900.JPG**
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VHR Saponi.JPG
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<p>NO MORE VACATION RENTALS <i>after this year</i> in the City of South Lake Tahoe</p>	<p>VHR PERMITS limited to <i>just 900</i> in County area of South Tahoe</p>
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