

*Public Comment #22*

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

comment for next meeting*REV. 8-20-21***Jennifer Fortune** <jfortune@chaseinternational.com>

Thu, Aug 19, 2021 at 4:14 PM

To: edc.cob@edcgov.us

This comment is concerning the 500 foot density restriction for vacation rentals. My feeling is the cap at 900 was a great way to take control of the vacation rentals. This puts a limit on them which should also allow for more time to monitor the problem houses. Not every vacation rental is a problem. It seems the majority of people these days like to rent homes and not stay at hotels. Also, our local hotels here in South Lake Tahoe are now getting very expensive due to the shortage of tourist accommodations. This was a backlash to measure T. The 500 foot buffer basically puts a moratorium on any future vacation rentals. There can't be too many houses that would be outside a 500 foot buffer. The cap is enough- this 500 foot buffer is extreme. It will also make it difficult for a seller to sell their house in the future-if there is a vacation rental next door then their house could never be one. It is also too hard to manage especially when you have 80 people on the wait list. Leave it at the cap don't make things so complicated

THanks, Jennifer.

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NO to VHR cluster enforcement

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Fri, Aug 20, 2021 at 11:38 AM

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Dear EDC BOS members,

I cannot more strongly oppose your intention to enact the change to the VHR ordinance by enforcing a buffer of 500'. This buffer rule will unintentionally harm local homeowners. A buffer rule will further prevent local residents who need to occasionally rent their house. I am against this not because it affects me, but because the government should not approve of new laws which impact freedoms in a totally arbitrary manner.

El Dorado County just imposed a limit of 900 total VHR permits in the Tahoe Basin. As of now, that limit has been reached and new VHR permits are on a waitlist. Any enforcement of clustering limits is premature and is prejudicial against law abiding homeowners who have done nothing to add to the community concerns. Think of the elderly couple who is retired and wants to visit family for a few months and rent their home to supplement their income. The cluster rule is arbitrary and will not help to abate problematic homes, because they are already here breaking the laws by not following the current permitting process and paying TOT.

I am a VHR operator of only one home, my family's home - and my family has been proud members of the Tahoe community for a generation. Our Tahoe community is completely dependent on revenues brought by tourists and visitors and I think we should all acknowledge that if you live in the Tahoe Basin, you live in a tourist resort community. I welcome it and love it! I received my new permit under the new Ordinance 5.56 in 2020 which I am very happy to do everything to ensure my VHR is 100% compliant with the County ordinance. I received my business license, paid my fees, got my inspections, installed signage around my house which exceeds the county requirements with noticeable reminders about the 10p-8am quiet time, I got my VHR permit and I pay my TOT taxes.

EDC Ordinance 5.56 has only been in effect for a short time, in the big picture. Give it time and measure the data to show the trends in one direction or the other. Then inform the public that YOUR EFFORTS TO REGULATE AND GOVERN VHRs IS WORKING.

- Fund a team to enforce the ordinance 5.56 and crack down on violators; fund this from the permit fees. Reduce the fire inspection fee to offset the permit increase.
- When violators are found (e.g. no permit, too many complaints, missing signage, advertising more capacity than is allowed, not paying TOT taxes, etc) - crack down on them. I suspect that the vast majority of VHR properties which drive the complaints from the neighbors are not adhering to 5.56. If you can clean up these offenders - would the compliant rate drop off significantly? Do you have the data to measure this and report it back to the public?

As far as clustering restrictions, that is absolutely premature, arbitrary and prejudicial against law abiding homeowners. As I already mentioned, there are a great many UNPERMITTED rental homes that will continue to ignore any clustering requirements.

You have enough to work with to reduce complaints and correlate causation. Work on the current system first. EDC Ordinance 5.56 is a great framework - ENFORCE IT first before taking more draconian and 'big-government' measures that could lead to further avoidance of legal permits.

Think about why you wanted to be in public office in the first place - when you were a child did you want to become a public servant to help your community? But now you are passing draconian big-brother laws to intrude into personal freedoms and property rights in a way that is totally arbitrary and unjust to private citizens? Would the child version of yourself approve of this?

Thank you,
 Chris Kennedy
 Resident of Tahoe Basin, El Dorado County



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Support for Proposed Ordinance Enacting 500 ft. Buffer on VHRs

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Fri, Aug 20, 2021 at 2:29 PM

August 20, 2021

Dear Eldorado County Board of Supervisors,

We are writing today to express our support for the proposed ordinance Sec. 5.56.056 Vacation Home Rental Clustering to be read and considered on August 24, 2021.

We are long term county residents and plan to stay here a long time. The proposed addition of a 500 ft. buffer between Vacation Home Rentals is an important addition to current county VHR regulations.

We feel very strongly this is a necessary step at this time and urge you to pass this proposed ordinance.

Sincerely,

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Public Comment #27
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Public input for: 8/24/21 BOS Meeting re VHR Clusters Code Amendment

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Fri, Aug 20, 2021 at 3:35 PM

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Dear Supervisors:

Please approve the proposed VHR Code Amendment to "Implement a 500 foot buffer around existing VHRs countywide; and 2) Keep existing cap at 900 in the Tahoe Basin."

The character of our once very peaceful, family-oriented residential neighborhood where we and our neighbors have lived and raised families (many for 20+ years) has changed into a hotel zone.

Under the CC&Rs for our neighborhood, VHRs are illegal. The County has knowingly ignored our CC&Rs and, as a consequence, our neighborhoods now deal with:

- constant traffic (car, pedestrian, snow mobiles)
- loud noises at all hours of the day and night (cars, music, adults partying, children screaming)
- trash along the streets
- dog poop (and bags) on the roads and trails
- safety issues due to unattended outdoor fires and overcrowding on units.

Vacationers come to Tahoe to party, not to live quietly.

Please approve the anti-clustering code amendment proposal so that we have some hope of regaining the peace and quiet of our residential neighborhoods.

Thank you for your consideration.
 Julie Parker



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Re: VHR Anti-Clustering Issue

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Please see the attached letter below.
Thank you very much.

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 **Letter to BOS - VHRs anti-clustering 082021.docx**
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Re: VHR Anti-Clustering Issue

Dear Supervisors:

Regarding VHR anti-clustering and Item #21-1262 on the upcoming supervisors meeting to be held on August 24, 2021, I offer the following:

I would like to urge your support in amending the VHR Code in favor of the 500' buffer between vacation rentals.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Steve Jacobs