

TO: Mayor and City Council  
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator  
RE: Proposed Ordinance 2023-06 STR Well Testing  
DATE: December 4, 2023

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**Background**

Staff brought the issue of short term rental (STR) well testing requirements before the City Council for discussion during the November 6 City Council meeting. Staff had a concern that the current language may be open the City up for litigation should a guest of a STR get sick from well water as it is worded in a way that the City is essentially approving well water tests.

After discussion, the City Council directed staff to bring an amendment that rephrases the language to read that well testing is required but documentation of such well testing will not be part of the application process. Proposed Ordinance 2023-06 makes this change.

**Council Action**

Consideration of Proposed Ordinance 2023-06 should proceed as follows:

1. Public hearing
2. Council deliberation
3. Action on proposed ordinance

Staff recommends approval of Proposed Ordinance 2023-06.