

Fw: STR ordinance consideration - I oppose deregulation of STR's

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Greetings Jason,

Living in South Sandpoint we have first hand exposure to the swell of population during summer and winter. Partially due to the current limitation on Short Term Rentals (STR's) the balance of community is maintained and tourists feel embraced.

Thankfully there are controls over STR's as one of those approved for such use is quite close to our residence. Despite being a few doors away, along with our neighbors we have to make regular complaints to the police over late night parties, noise and parking. There is a general lack of concern for adjacent neighbors with many renters.

Unchecked this would adversely affect our neighborhoods and the sense of close community enjoyed by Sandpoint residents.

Other parts of the country are working to constrain STR's so why we would consider changing the balance of something that seems to work? It also strikes me that housing costs for local renters would be negatively impacted. We just approved Farmin Flats to address housing costs only to follow up with something that would surely be a negative impact. Parking is also proven to be a challenge with rentals and will exacerbate already congested periods. The imperative to change is lost on me.

Thanks for your attention and consideration.

John Hansen