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Ad Hoc Committee on Home Sharing and Party House Ordinances Meeting Thursday, December 10, 2020 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Ellen Evans, Committee Co-Chair, called meeting to order at 12:02 pm.

10 Present: Ellen Evans, Stephanie Savage, Co-Chairs; Robin Greenberg, Nickie Miner, Nic Abramson, Samantha Cannon, Bobby Kwan, Maureen Levinson, Darby Manning, James “Jim” Murray; **3 Absent:** Robert Schlesinger, Marlena Doktorczyk-Donahue, Stella Grey. Robert Schlesinger arrived at 12:08 pm.

2. **Motion:** Approve December 10, 2020 Ad Hoc Committee on Home Sharing and Party House Ordinances meeting Agenda.

Moved by Robin Greenberg; **seconded** by Samantha Cannon; **10/0/0; passed.**

3. **Motion:** Approve November 12, 2020 Ad Hoc Committee on Home Sharing and Party House Ordinances meeting Minutes.

Moved by Darby Manning; **seconded** by Nic Abramson; **10/0/0; passed.**

4. **General Public Comments**

Darby Manning suggested that we contact our state and federal representatives to seek remedies to the party house problem. She also suggested contacting Mothers Against Short-Term Rentals.

Maureen Levinson suggested contacting the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety to learn more about enforcement of proper zoning uses. She cited the example of wish.com as a commercial party entity operating at a residential address in Bel Air.

Nic Abramson expressed concern about the City not having platform agreements with VRBO and other home sharing sites and wonders what the mechanism is on those sites for collection of the occupancy tax.

Robert Schlesinger has not yet found a contact at the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms who can answer our questions about permits for special events at residential locations.

5. **Co-Chair Report** – Update by Co-Chairs, Ellen Evans and Stephanie Savage
Ellen Evans expressed concern about the Airbnb IPO and what it means for their capacity to advocate for home sharing. She also expressed concern about the lack of platform agreements with other sites. Many listings appear to have moved off of Airbnb as it has complied with regulations. Also it may be worthwhile for the NC to put a permit spreadsheet on the web so that neighbors can check on permit status.

6. **Discussion and Possible Motion:** Review notable neighborhood and party house events since last meeting. Problems at 2376 Kimridge and possible solutions for those problems were discussed.
7. **Discussion and Possible Motion:** Vacation Rental Ordinance, Council File 18-1246. Note that BABNC already filed a CIS due to possible expedited Council action. No further action was deemed necessary by the committee.

8. **Discussion and Possible Motion:** Review committee member research related to legislative gaps and develop plans for supplemental legislation. Decide on form and timing of recommendations. Our proposed legislative modifications were discussed and put in near-final form and the following motion was made:

Motion: To submit a Community Impact Statement to the Council File for the current home sharing ordinance suggesting our modifications to the ordinance. **Moved** by Nickie Miner; **seconded** by Nic Abramson; **11/0/0; passed.**

9. **Discussion and Possible Motion:** Discuss event permitting process. Formulate plans for how to address issues. The Committee decided that more information was necessary.

Motion: To invite a representative from the LAPD Special Events Permit Unit to our next meeting to answer our questions about special event permits. **Moved** by Ellen Evans; **seconded** by Nic Abramson; **11/0/0; passed.**

10. **Discussion:** Previously-approved letter regarding enforcement. It was noted that the CPRA that will provide specifics for the letter is still pending.

11. **Discussion and Possible Motion:** Party House Handbook Update. It was noted that this has been widely distributed.

12. **Good of the Order:** None.

13. **Adjournment** Moved by Nickie Miner, seconded Maureen Levinson and the meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Next Meeting Date: January 14, 2021, 12:00 pm