



## CITY OF OAKLAND

## SHORT-TERM RESIDENTIAL RENTAL **WORKSHOP**

January 12, 2017



#### Housekeeping Items

- Meeting scheduled to go until 8 pm.
- Meeting will be recorded so people who couldn't attend tonight can watch anytime online at <a href="www.oaklandnet.com/strr">www.oaklandnet.com/strr</a> (this is also the webpage for future updates on STRR).
- Please add your name to the sign-up sheet if you would like to stay-up-to date on the STRR ordinance development process.
- The goal of this meeting is to solicit input from the community and the information you share tonight will not be used for code-enforcement or tax collection purposes.



#### Agenda

- Introduction
- Background/City Council Direction
- Existing regulations for STRRs in Oakland
- Oakland Specific STRR Market Context
- Public Comment
- Next Steps



#### **Introductions**



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#### **Short-Term Residential Rentals 101**

#### Q: What are Short-Term Residential Rentals?

A: Rentals of residential dwelling units for periods of less than a month.

# Q: What do Airbnb, VRBO and other Short-Term Residential Rental platforms do?

A: Airbnb, VRBO and FlipKey etc. act as online marketplaces connecting travelers with local hosts, the platforms enable:

- 1. Hosts to list their available space and collect rent.
- 2. Travelers to easily book stays in private homes.



#### **Background / City Council Direction**

- Currently, Short-Term Residential Rentals (STRRs) are not specifically addressed in Oakland's Municipal Code.
- There has been an expansion of STRRs Hosting Platforms such as Airbnb, FlipKey, and VRBO that rent homes on a short-term basis.
- In July 2016, Oakland City Council directed Staff to:
  - Obtain stakeholder input.
  - Bring policy options to the City Council to regulate STRRs and Hosting Platforms.



#### **Background / City Council Direction**

#### City Council directed that any future STRR regulation must:

- Distinguish STRRs as separate from commercial hotels, hostels, and other transient habitation activities.
- Ensure the collection of Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) of STRRs.
- Contain a monitoring and enforcement system.
- Limit STRRs to <u>primary residences</u> in order to prevent the loss of long-term rental housing.
- Address issues that may be caused by STRRs (such as: such as noise, parking, traffic, and security concerns) which deteriorate resident quality of life.



#### **Existing Regulations for STTRs in Oakland**

#### Current planning regulations:

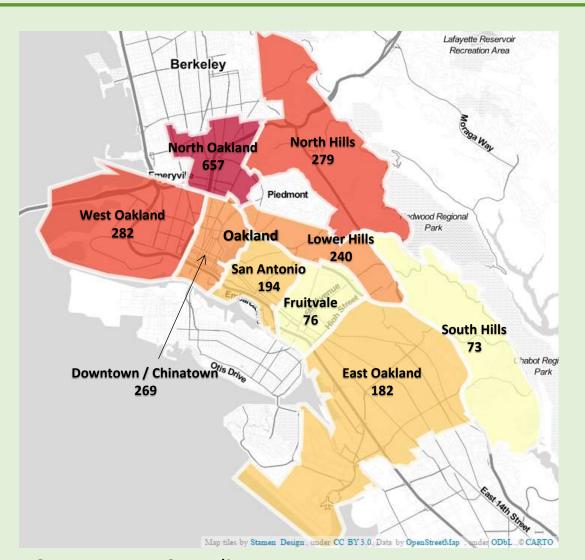
- <u>Permanent Residential Activities</u> occupancy or rental of a single-family home, apartment/condo, Secondary Unit, or room on a weekly or longer basis.
- <u>Bed & Breakfast Residential Activities</u> only allowed in single-family home/duplex, must be historic building, owner occupied, provide breakfast, and requires a conditional use permit (CUP).
- <u>Transient Habitation Commercial Activities</u> the provision of lodging services to transient guests <u>on a less-than-weekly basis</u>, is generally a hotel facility, and allowed in very limited areas with a CUP (downtown, near airport, and specific plan areas).



#### STRR Statistics in Oakland

The following slides contain statistical information from the company Host Compliance and from the U.S. Census Bureau about the number of short-term rentals in Oakland in comparison to the number of rental units in Oakland. This information is provided by neighborhood when possible.

# There are 2,252 active STRR listings in Oakland 54% are located in North & West Oakland & Downtown/Chinatown



	Active STRR
Neighborhood	Listings
North Oakland	657
West Oakland	282
North Hills	279
Downtown / Chinatown	269
Lower Hills	240
San Antonio	194
East Oakland	182
Fruitvale	76
South Hills	73
Total	2,252

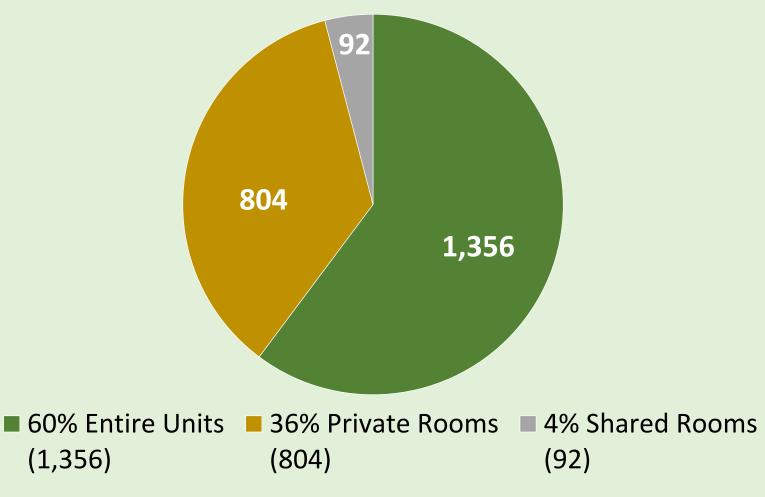
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#### 60% of Oakland's Active STRRs are Entire Unit Rentals

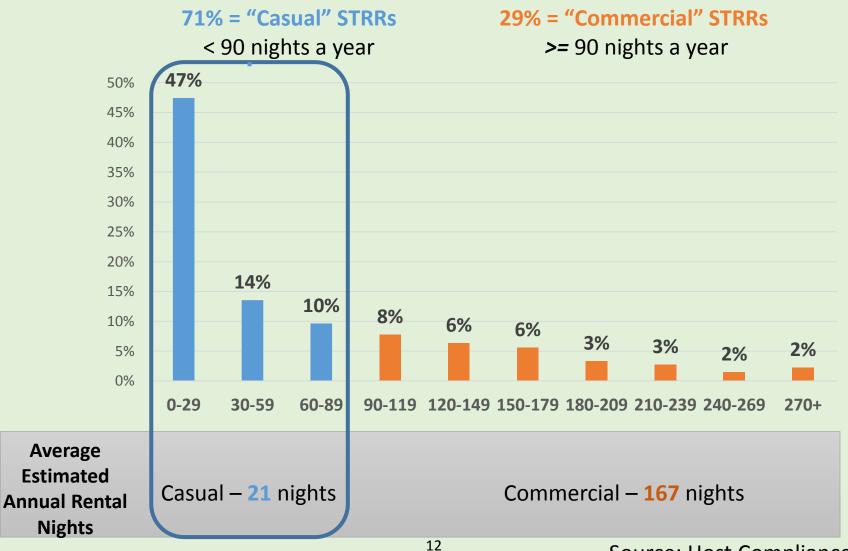




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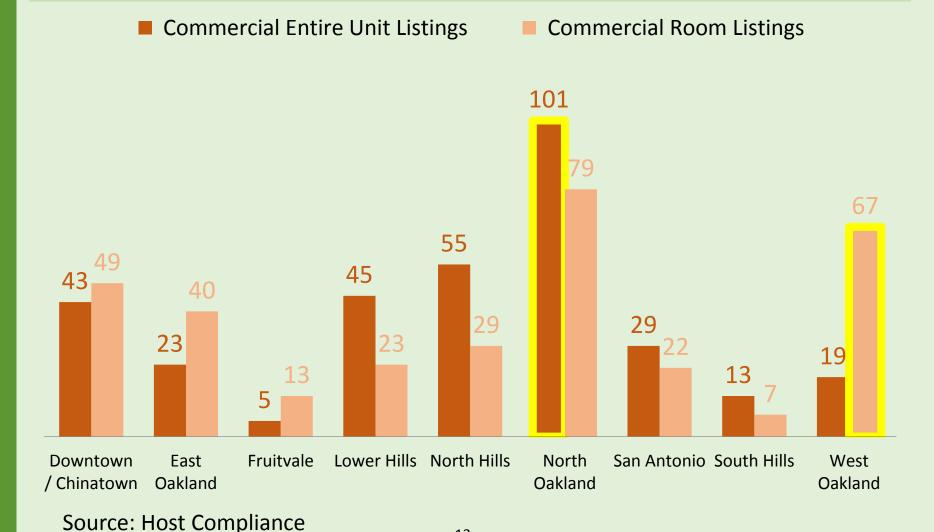
#### 71% of Oakland's STRRs rent for less than 90 days per year while the remaining 29% are more "commercial" in nature



Source: Host Compliance

Some neighborhoods have more Commercial Room Listings, (e.g., West Oakland), while others have more Commercial Entire Unit Listings, (e.g., North Oakland)

Commercial STRRs defined as units estimated to be rented for at least 90 days per year



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	Total Rental Housing Units <sup>1</sup>	Total Active STRR Commercial Entire Units <sup>2</sup>
City of Oakland	101,322	333
	Total Vacant Units for Rent <sup>1</sup>	Total Active STRR Commercial Entire Units <sup>2</sup>
City of Oakland	2,081	333

- City of Oakland Rental Vacancy Rate<sup>1</sup> = 2.1%
- National Rental Vacancy Rate<sup>1</sup> = 5.9%

Source: <sup>1</sup>American Community Survey (ACS) 1 Year 2015 Data (Table B25004, DP04), <sup>2</sup>Host Compliance



### **Next Steps**

Phase	Description of Phase	<b>Approximate Dates</b>	
Initial Public Input	Staff to solicit input from the public.	Jan. 12 – Feb. 1, 2017	
CED, City Council, & Public Comment	Staff to present policy options & questions to CED & City Council for feedback.	Mar. 2017	
City Staff to Prepare Draft Regulations for STRRs	Staff to incorporate feedback from Stakeholder Groups, Public Workshop, Survey, CED Meeting & public comments to write initial draft Ordinance.		
Planning Commission & Public Comment	Staff to present initial draft Ordinance to Planning Commission for recommendation to City Council.	Tentative	
CED Committee of City Council & Public Comment	Staff to present draft Ordinance to CED Committee for recommendation to City Council.	Mar. – Sept. 2017	
City Council & Public Comment	Staff to present final draft Ordinance to City Council for consideration and final adoption.		
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#### Survey – Available Until Feb. 1, 2017

A survey is available for further public input on the future STRRs ordinance.

The survey can be accessed at the City's website.

Online: www.oaklandnet.com/strr

Or a paper version at:

**Planning & Zoning Counter:** 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Second Floor, Suite 2114

Today's meeting: Paper copies available when you exit

**Deadline:** Submit to the City day end on <u>Feb. 1, 2017</u> (either electronically or by mail (address on survey)).



#### Contact info

Please feel free to contact us through are project manager if you have any questions or ideas about how to best regulate short-term residential rentals in the City of Oakland.

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# TELL US WHAT YOUTHINK...



#### **Public Comment**

**Goal:** Gain an understanding of the **specific issues** 

that a future STRRs ordinance should address.

**Speaker Time:** Try to limit time in order to give everyone a

chance to speak (2-3 minutes per person).

**Question:** What should a future STRRs ordinance seek to accomplish as it relates to...:

- 1. Housing?
- 2. Quality of Life?
- 3. Neighborhood Character?
- 4. Safety?
- 5. Other STRRs Related Issues?