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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Larimer County Board of County Commissioners

**FROM:** Amy White, Code Compliance Supervisor

**RE:** Proposed Amended Larimer County Ordinance for Implementation and

**Enforcement of Short-Term Rental Regulations** 

**DATE:** March 27, 2023

Pursuant to H.B. 20-1093 which provides Counties the authority to grant approval and regulate short-term rentals, attached is the proposed Amended Ordinance for the Implementation and Enforcement of Short-Term Rental Regulations. The original Ordinance was adopted in 2021, and changes are necessary to reflect proposed amendments to the Land Use Code relating to short-term rentals. Proposed amendments to the Land Use Code regulations are scheduled for a March 15, 2023 Planning Commission public hearing and recommendation and on March 27, 2023 for a public hearing and decision by the Board of County Commissioners. See **Attachment A** for the proposed Amended Ordinance.

Of note, the following items have been updated in the Amended Ordinance:

- 1. Clarify purpose and intent to require a short-term rental license which would be given when planning approval had been given and the Certificate of Occupancy for the conversion building permit was obtained.
- 2. Clarify the County's limited liability.
- 3. Clarify and strengthen the language around the "Cease & Desist" letters for illegal short-term rentals.
- 4. Impose a penalty fee for short-term rentals who seek planning approval after receiving a "Cease & Desist" letter.
- 5. Require that long-term rentals clearly state such in the "banner heading" of any advertising.
- 6. Require license numbers to be in the "banner heading" of any advertising.
- 7. Address the use of other vehicles, structures on the short-term rental property.
- 8. Require compliance with other applicable laws and noting that an infraction with another jurisdiction at the short-term rental will be counted as a violation in Section 9.
- 9. Require the Property Manager to provide a report of actions taken to mitigate a complaint.
- 10. Note that egregious and/or severe life-safety violations may be subject to immediate revocation.





11. Require non-conforming vacation homes to come into compliance with the safety standards in the Land Use Code over time.

The proposed calendar of adoption is as follows:

- 1. On March 27, 2023, the Amended Ordinance will be read in its entirety at the 6:00 p.m. Land Use Hearing.
- 2. The Amended Ordinance will be published in the Coloradoan and Estes Park Trail Gazette for 10 days on March 28, 2023, or as soon thereafter as possible.
- 3. On April 10, 2023, the title of the Amended Ordinance and any amendments will be read at the 3:00 p.m. Land Use Hearing.
- 4. The Amended Ordinance is then published in the Coloradoan and Estes Park Trail Gazette for 30 days on April 11, 2023, or as soon thereafter as possible.
- 5. At the end of those 30 days, the Amended Ordinance will then be effective.