

## [MPC Comment] Short Term Rentals

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Please be advised that we are opposed to allowing Short Term Rentals in Residential Zoning Districts R-1 and R-2 in the City of Knoxville as proposed in an ordinance to be considered by MPC on May 11, 2017, and, thereafter, by City Council. In our opinion Short Term Rentals will serve to commercialize and, therefore, devalue property long zoned exclusively as residential. Recent appraisals have increased previous residential property values and assessments by an average of 11%. In our case, the current appraisal and assessment increases previous amounts by 43%. We purchased our Forest Brook home in West Knoxville in 1970 secure in the knowledge that no commercial enterprise could intrude in the neighborhood. To now allow short term rentals provides the potential to destroy the character of this and similarly situated residential subdivisions. Simply stated, we ask you to protect and preserve the integrity of our residential neighborhoods.

Thank you.
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