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NOTICE OF CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING ON AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF NEWPORT'S SHORT-TERM RENTAL REGULATIONS

On Monday, December 10, 2018, at 7:00 pm or soon thereafter, the Newport Planning Commission will reopen the continued public hearing on Ordinance No. 2144, amending the City of Newport's regulations for short-term rentals. An initial hearing on the ordinance was held on November 13, 2018. Roughly 50-60 people were in attendance, and 22 individuals testified. The Commission also received 47 letters and/or emails from concerned citizens, many of which were submitted the day of the hearing.

Ordinance No. 2144 includes a number of policy options recommended by the citizen committee that the Planning Commission pulled together to review the City's existing short-term rental regulations. The initial hearing provided the public an opportunity to testify about the options they support or oppose. After everyone testified, the Commission continued the hearing to December 10, 2018 and announced that it would consider the feedback and hold a work session on November 26th to narrow the options down to a set of preferred alternatives.

On November 26th the Commission discussed the policy alternatives and identified options that a majority of the members are inclined to support. An updated version of the ordinance, highlighting these preferred alternatives, has been prepared and this public hearing is an opportunity for interested persons to comment on the Commission's preferences or any other aspects of the draft ordinance. A staff recommendation was presented at the November 26th work session, and that document is also available for review and comment. After the Commission takes testimony, it will make a recommendation to the City Council. This may happen at the close of the December 10th hearing.

Public comments on draft Ordinance No. 2144, the staff recommendation, and the Planning Commission's set of preferred alternatives, are posted on the City website and can be accessed using the following link:

http://newportoregon.gov/dept/cdd/VacationRentalDwelling.asp