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Public Information Meeting on Short-Term Residential Rentals Scheduled for February 22

Loudoun County will hold a virtual public information meeting Tuesday, February 22, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. to present a proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment (ZOAM) related to short-term residential rentals.

A short-term residential rental is the provision of a room or space that is suitable or intended for occupancy for dwelling, sleeping or lodging purposes, for a period of fewer than 30 consecutive days, in exchange for a charge for the occupancy.

In 2018, Loudoun County established a [short-term residential rental registration ordinance](#) intended to help the county monitor and evaluate the growing industry of short-term residential rentals. The registry established by the ordinance created a channel for the county to provide operators of short-term residential rentals with important business-related information and resources.

Following the adoption of the registration ordinance, the county began evaluating public safety and land use/zoning issues associated with short-term residential rentals, with an eye toward amending the county's [Zoning Ordinance](#) to adopt standards for such rentals. This process resulted in a proposed ZOAM that includes separate standards for the short-term rental of an owner-occupied residence, which would be an "accessory use," and for the rental of a non-owner-occupied dwelling, which would constitute a principal "whole-house commercial use."

The public is invited to learn more about these standards and provide input on the draft amendment, which can be previewed at loudoun.gov/shorttermrentals.

County staff will be revising the draft text based upon the comments they receive. The ZOAM regarding short-term residential rentals is scheduled to come before the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors for public hearings beginning in mid-2022.

To learn more about the proposed changes to the Zoning Ordinance, sign up for project updates and submit written comments, visit loudoun.gov/shorttermrentals.

Login and signup information for the February 22 meeting is online at loudoun.gov/remoteparticipation. Anyone who would like to provide public comment at the meeting may do so by signing up in advance by [sending an email](#) or calling 703-777-0246, option 5, by 12:00 p.m., February 22, 2022.

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