

Item L-2 Public Comment Swartout, Ryan and Kate

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Good evening Mayor Hamon and Council Members-

I would like to request an addendum to the short term rental policy for local, Paso Robles, Airbnb owners to be given priority for permits. I believe this would benefit our economy by keeping local dollars local while also being able to keep locals local by allowing them to supplement their incomes.

In addition, I would like to see another addendum to the policy for those who have their Airbnb listed only part time, less than or equal to 15 days per calendar month. Having an Airbnb listed only part time creates less of a strain on the neighborhood, and therefore can potentially cause less issues.

My husband and I used to Airbnb our home successfully a couple of weekends a month for years to supplement our income. We had taken a break from doing that when the permitting process began, and did have the funds available to purchase a permit when we were grandfathered in to do so. Now we are on the wait list for a permit but during the time we have been on that list, it has not moved at all. We fear it will take years before we are eligible to get a permit again.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kate and Ryan Swarhout
Paso Roblans for over 20 years