

Dear Supervisors,  
Public comment item 6b 11-16-2021

File # 21-1284

Discussion and Possible Action Including Formation of an Ad Hoc Committee that Would Explore Creation of a Balanced Short-Term Rental Policy for Business Licensees and Others, Consisting of Supervisor Williams and another Supervisor (Sponsor: Supervisor Williams)

I encourage the board members to vote in favor of this proposal and hope that another Supervisor will volunteer to be on this Ad Hoc Committee with Supervisor Williams.

Even though the situation inland after many fires made it hard for people to find a rental they can afford, the situation on the coast is much worse as many of the rentals have turned into Air BnB's.

Recently, with the help of many community members and a lawyer, we believe we were able to make it clear to all members of the County's Planning Commission that a proposal for a short term rental that was going to have a detrimental effect on a neighborhood in Albion had to be denied.

Our local list serve, the MCN announce list, had many comments for a long time as it has become almost impossible even for doctors, lawyers, dentists, teachers, etc. to find an affordable rental.

Also the Grand Jury Report from 2020-2021 focused on Need for Housing and Homelessness

Please vote in favor of this proposal and nominate another Supervisor that would be on this Ad-Hoc Committee with Supervisor Williams.

Thanks, Annemarie Weibel