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**BURNSVILLE CITY COUNCIL TO CLARIFY POSITION PROHIBITING SHORT-TERM
'VACATION' RENTAL OF RESIDENCES**

The Burnsville City Council will consider adopting an update to "Title 3: Business Regulations" in the Burnsville City Code during their Jan. 19 meeting. The update would add a new chapter (Chapter 31) to clarify the City's position that short-term 'vacation' rentals of residences are prohibited.

Short-term rentals are defined as the lease of a residential dwelling for 30 days or less. The City has always interpreted this type of rental as prohibited under City Code, but the increased popularity of short-term rental websites (such as Airbnb.com) spurred the Council to seek a more clearly defined, modern ordinance and place it within a more obvious location in the City Code.

According to the proposed ordinance, "rental of private homes for temporary occupancy threatens the essential character and stability of residential neighborhoods because short-term tenants have little interest in the welfare of the local community." It also states that this type of rental "is often undertaken without adequate on-site management, compliance with state and local codes for commercial lodging establishments, and other safeguards for those renting the home."

The ordinance would not impact State licensed hotels, motels and lodging establishments located outside residential or planned residential development districts.

The Council is expected to act on this ordinance during their Tuesday, Jan. 19 City Council Meeting. Visit www.burnsville.org/meetings to view Council agendas. With questions on the proposed ordinance please contact Community Development Director Jenni Faulkner at 952-895-4467 or jenni.faulkner@burnsvillemn.gov.

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