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Dear Councilmembers Stephens, Minney and Wolf:

Thank you for enacting the emergency vacation rental moratorium. I am writing to ask that you extend the moratorium so that our community may have a measured and thoughtful conversation about next steps.

Like other members of the Vacation Rental Work Group, I believe that vacation rentals, hotels, B&Bs and campgrounds have a long and mostly positive history of providing places for visitors to stay. Many of those visitors subsequently become our neighbors.

The thing that I am concerned about is the cumulative impact. Having this time to pause, catch up on enforcement from the changes enacted in 2018, and take stock of the impacts from the growth in the number of vacation rentals that has occurred in recent years will enable us to be better stewards of this precious place.

Thank you.

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