

## BF Committee

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**Subject:** STRH PROPOSED NEW TAX CLASSIFICATION

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Dear Councilmembers

We are sending this letter to say that we find that increasing our property taxes with the proposed new tax classification called Short Term Rental is unfair.

We have already accepted a 25% higher tax rate as a result of our permit, but that a 60% increase is not reasonable. Our permit restrictions do not allow us to use our property as extensively as someone may without a permit by limiting our occupancy to 2 people per bedroom and not even allowing our guests to have anyone over to the house for dinner. It is not fair to classify our permitted short term rental the same as condo units with the right to rent short term instilled by zoning.

It is not fair to increase our taxes while ignoring those operating without permits.

Sincerely  
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