

Big Bear Lake has seen explosive growth in the number of vacation rentals. We now have investors buying property, not as second homes, but as commercial operations in our residential neighborhoods. The oversaturation of vacation rentals has eroded our quality of life. If we don't stop the proliferation, more of our friends and neighbors could lose their homes.

This initiative **BALANCES** the needs of our tourism economy with the needs of our full-time residents. It places reasonable limits on vacation rentals, restores vacation rentals to their original intent as second homes, and makes vacation rental owners, not their neighbors, responsible for monitoring guest behavior.

- Limits the total number of vacation rental licenses to 1500, about what we had five years ago
- Grandfathers existing vacation rental licenses; in fairness to everyone the lower limit will be achieved through attrition
- Limits owners to ONE license
- Limits each vacation rental to 30 short term guest stays per year. This should reduce traffic in our residential neighborhoods; discourage investors looking purely for profit while allowing second homeowners to offset expenses
- Increases transparency through better city reporting
- Improves enforcement with clear guidelines and a three strikes policy

Recently, we've seen a drop in tourist demand. If we don't reduce the number of vacation rentals it may drive down rates and make it difficult for our local hotels and lodges to compete. We need long term economic stability.

We are lucky to live in one of the most beautiful places on earth and love sharing it. We welcome tourists but want to limit their impact on our residential neighborhoods. Neighborhoods need more than just vacation rentals; they need families, children, seniors and housing for our workforce. We need a safe, peaceful place to live. We want our neighborhoods back.

VOTE YES on Measure__! Neighborhoods Need Neighbors!

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The undersigned **proponents and author** of the **primary** argument **in favor** of ballot proposition: **Initiative Measure Amending the City's Municipal Code to Limit the Number of Vacation Rental Licenses and Rental Contracts in the City and to Enact Additional Limitations and Regulations on Vacation Rentals**, at the general election for **The City of Big Bear Lake** to be held on **Nov, 8, 2022**, hereby state that the argument is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief.

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