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To: Chair and Members of the Planning and Development Committee

From: Councillor Stolte, Ward 4

Cc: Suzanne Gillies, Committee Clerk
Tim Commisso, City Manager

Date: September 6, 2019

Re: Airbnb's

Burlington is a very attractive community and has been acknowledged as being a top destination in the country.

This positive reputation, amongst other factors, has led to an upsurge of residents opting to register their residential homes with online Short-Term Rental Accommodation companies.

Many other municipalities in the Province have either implemented Short-Term Accommodation Bylaws or are in the midst of researching and developing ways to manage this aspect of the Sharing Economy.

The City of Burlington began to explore this issue a number of years ago but due to competing priorities and limited staffing resources a system of licensing, or an effective bylaw managing Short Term Accommodation Providers has not yet been implemented.

The vast majority of Short Term Accommodation Providers are successfully managing their properties, but it is critical that the City of Burlington moves forward to implement a clear policy and process to ensure that residential neighbourhoods are not unduly impacted by this escalating commercial trend.

Motion:

Direct the Director of City Building to report back to the Planning and Development Committee meeting of October 8, 2019 with options to regulate operations related to Short-Term Accommodation rentals, including immediate, medium term and long-term options.

Councillor Shawna Stolte