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Comments in writing: I am mainly concerned about the grandfather clause that allows for the rental of one primary residence and three non primary residences for any operators owning properties before February 2023. Short-term rentals have already removed far too many properties from housing availability in Winnipeg resulting in the current housing shortage. Reducing the number of non primary residences will greatly help to alleviate the current shortage. I believe that a fair grandfather clause would be to allow one primary residence and one non primary residence, for properties owned before February 2023 and keeping the stipulation that all new operators could only rent their primary residence at the terms already in the proposed regulations.

Further, I would suggest that enforcement of regulations be considered in the City's budget. Montreal, for example, has staffed a task force of inspectors to help ensure the legality and safety of STRs in their city. I also suggest that fines be set much higher than proposed with no cap on the amount an owner can be fined for multiple infractions. Similarly, the license fees proposed are too low and should be at least double those proposed.
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