

Council Regular Meeting - October 26, 2023 Item No. 1 Regulating Short-Term Rental Accommodations

STRAs are heavily regulated or banned in most, if not all, major cities across the country. STRA owners/hosts (who may or may not reside in Winnipeg) **want you to believe that they provide a net-benefit to the city but if that were true then why are STRAs being banned in cities all over the globe?**

City councils all across Canada have had discussions over STRAs and are increasingly choosing to either ban them altogether or limit them to primary residences. Even **Chrystia Freeland and other government officials encouraged provinces to follow BC's lead of limiting STRAs to primary residences.**

The fact is that STRAs are detrimental to communities and do not benefit the citizens of Winnipeg. You have heard of many citizens who are being **continually victimized by STRAs and their experience should be given much more weight than the opposition because they are fighting for their basic human rights.**

I strongly encourage you to reconsider allowing STRAs to operate in non-primary residence. Limiting STRAs to primary residences will alleviate virtually all concerns that have been raised including safety, livability and housing. Please vote for the well-being of our city - vote in favour of strict regulations.

Thank you,

Jasmin D.