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Justine Starke
Manager, Southern Gulf Islands Service Delivery
Capital Regional District
Via email

Dear Justine:

Re: Local Trust Committee Business Licensing Resolutions

I am writing to you concerning a number of resolutions recently adopted by local trust committees encouraging the Capital Regional District to explore business licensing. Trustees and residents in the Trust Area have been grappling with the impacts of short term vacation rentals for years, and most LTCs have policies and regulations in place to attempt to mitigate those impacts. However, it has become apparent to many trustees and residents that zoning and other land use regulations are insufficient to manage the impacts of vacation rentals. Consequently, a number of LTCs have adopted resolutions (please see attached) requesting that the CRD consider the implementation of business license regulations within the Salt Spring and Southern Gulf Islands electoral areas for tourist accommodation, specifically for enforcement and administration of vacation rentals.

Sincerely

Robert Kojima,
Regional Planning Manager
Islands Trust

Attachment: Table of Resolutions

Local Trust Committee	Date	Resolution
Galiano Island Local Trust Committee	July 5, 2021	GL-2021-065 It was Moved and Seconded, that the Galiano Island Local Trust Committee requests that the Capital Regional District explore the implementation of business licensing for tourist accommodation and specifically for short term vacation rentals. <u>CARRIED</u>
Mayne Island Local Trust Committee	June 21, 2021	MA-2021-042 It was Moved and Seconded, that the Mayne Island Local Trust Committee request that the Capital Regional District explore the implementation of business licensing for tourist accommodation and specifically for short term vacation rentals. <u>CARRIED</u>
North Pender Island Local Trust Committee	June 24, 2021	NP-2021-078 It was Moved and Seconded, WHEREAS the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee is implementing additional policies and zoning to regulate and manage short term vacation rentals on North Pender island, the Local Trust Committee lacks the full range of tools for enforcement and administration of vacation rentals; THEREFORE the North Pender Island Local Trust Committee requests that the Capital Regional District explore the implementation of business licensing for tourist accommodation and specifically for short term vacation rentals. <u>CARRIED</u>
Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee	May 25, 2021	2021-108 It was MOVED and SECONDED, Whereas the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee wishes to see appropriate regulation and management of short term vacation rentals on Salt Spring Island but lacks the full range of tools for enforcement and administration of vacation rentals; Therefore the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee requests that the Capital Regional District explore the implementation of business licensing for tourist accommodation and specifically for short term vacation rentals. <u>CARRIED</u>
South Pender Island Local Trust Committee	May 7, 2021	SP-2021-044 It was Moved and Seconded, that whereas the South Pender Island Local Trust Committee is implementing additional policies and zoning regulations to regulate and manage short term vacation rentals on South Pender Island, the Local Trust Committee lacks the full range of tools for enforcement and administration of vacation rentals; therefore, the South Pender Local Trust Committee requests that the Capital Regional District explore the implementation of business licensing for tourist accommodation and specifically for short term vacation rentals. <u>CARRIED</u>