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Subject: Request to delay hearing

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Dear Mr. Morland,

We have received a notice of public hearing to revoke our Hosted Rental Permit #231398. Needless to say we are deeply disappointed. Our space has provided visitors a comfortable place to stay, outside of the impacted, densely populated areas within Santa Cruz. We have always had courteous guests who come for a peaceful stay. Parking is on-site and does not require any street parking. None of our neighbors have ever been adversely affected by the guests staying on our property. In fact, they have offered to support us in writing or in person if needed.

Our studio is not physically attached to our main house but it is indeed part of our primary residence. We use it as an office and guest space for out-of-town relatives; it is our only spare room. We would never be in the position to rent out the space full-time, nor would it be suitable as a long-term rental, which is presumably the intention of this stipulation.

We would like to request a delay to our hearing as it is very soon and we have young children out of school on March 15th, and a medical procedure this week. Is there an opportunity for us to request that our permit is not revoked if we are present at the hearing? Is there any precedent for a reconsideration?

Please note, we immediately removed our listing from AirBnB when we received the initial citation in February and paid the fine. We wish to be in full compliance with any orders as we determine if there is the possibility of an exception to this “one size fits all” policy. Can you give us any guidance about this?

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Lindsay Patel and Tim Clayman