

Short-term Rental Work Group Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2023

11:30 am

Meeting called to order.

Minutes approved.

Review of revised code

- Penalty aligns with Municipal Code Sec 1-8 General Penalty
- Legal opinion
 - It would be easier for police to contact the responsible party quickly.
 - Code issues would need to contact the landowner.

Public Comment

- Bryce Matherson
 - Speaking to arbitrage
 - The arbitrager should be responsible for fines, not the landowner.
- Holly Hook
 - Seeking clarity on Sec. 18-511(b)
 - Would a duplex be acceptable?
- Octavio Sanchez
 - Thanks group for efforts.

Workgroup Discussion

- Modifications to proposed code
 - 1st paragraph: remove "5" from Commerce
 - Sec. 18-506(b)(5): remove "where designee has a physical address within the City of Bentonville"
 - Sec. 18-5119(c): specify existing code or remove language

Motion: To send no recommendation, no action to city council at this time. 2nd.

Yes - 5 Beckie Seba, Adrianna Burnett, Jeremy Mincke, Cindy , Michele Stamps Pritchett

No - 5 Dana Davis, Robert Nelson, Josh Kyles, Connie Anderson, Molly Darragh

Motion to recommend ordinance with 3 modifications identified.

Yes - 5

No - 5

Workgroup Discussion

- Breaking the tie
 - Is there any change that could be made to get anyone to change their vote?
 - Can modify to include long-term lessee.
- Proposed Change - Change document language from "owner" to "owner/ long-term lessee".

Motion: Recommend to city council ordinance with 5 changes including owner/lessee information. 2nd

Yes - 6 Dana Davis, Robert Nelson, Josh Kyles, Connie Anderson, Molly Darragh, Michele Stamps Pritchett

No - 4 Beckie Seba, Adrianna Burnett, Jeremy Mincke, Cindy Acree