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S1 – Discuss Moratorium for Processing New Short Term Vacation Rental Applications



Background

- November 2019 STVR Ad Hoc Committee formed tasked to review STVR Program, regulations, permitting process, compliance and enforcement, outreach and marketing; advisory recommendations to Council.
- February 2020 Council appointed 15 members to serve on Ad Hoc Committee
- August 2020 Executive Order No. 10 moratorium on processing STVR applications to best protect public health and welfare following orders and directives from State and County related to Covid-19 pandemic; Moratorim until April 6, 2021, unless extended.
- December 2020 Ad Hoc Committee final recommendations presented to Council

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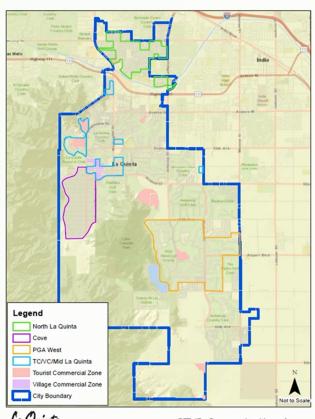
- January/February 2021 Council reviewed Ad Hoc Committee recommendations, other recommendations, data/statistics on STVR, Code actions, public testimony
- January 15, 2021 (effective date) Code Update
 - Hosting platforms required to verify property listings have active STVR permit prior to booking
 - o Renewal applications submitted as early as 60 days before permit expiration
 - Local contact person 24/7; respond within 30minutes
 - o Bedroom additions/conversions verified and approved by City
 - Inaccurate advertisement (# of bedrooms) subject to fine
 - HOA letter to verify STVR allowed
 - o Ownership change notification; STVR permit non-transferable
 - o City Manager final decision on any appeals
 - Increase STVR violation fines

Background

- March 2021 Noise Monitoring Devices Pilot Program, currently underway
- April 15, 2021 (effective date) Code Update
 - Four permit types: 1) Homeshare, 2) Primary Residence, 3) General STVR Second Home/Investment, and 4) Estate Home
 - Clarification on adequate on-site parking based on overnight occupants allowed
 - o Contract between owner and renter acknowledging regulations
 - Two-strikes policy
- Consideration of a permanent moratorium on processing new applications for STVRs due to the proliferation of STVRs in residential areas of the City.

Four distinct residential areas in the City where STVRs are concentrated:

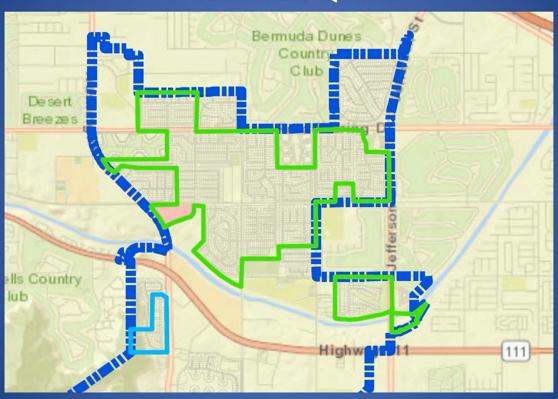
- 1) North La Quinta (north of Hwy 111)
- 2) The Cove
- 3) PGA West
- 4) TC and VC zones; mid La Quinta



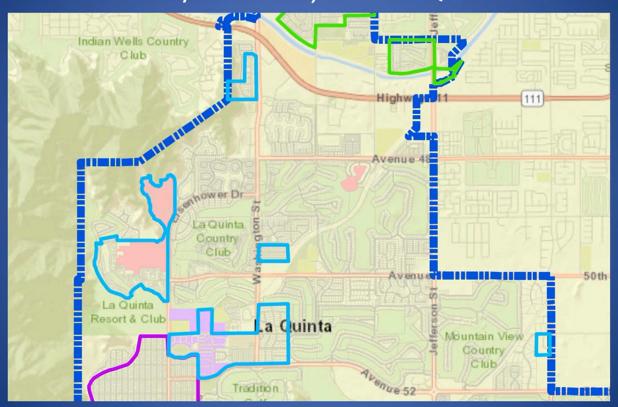


STVR Concentration Areas

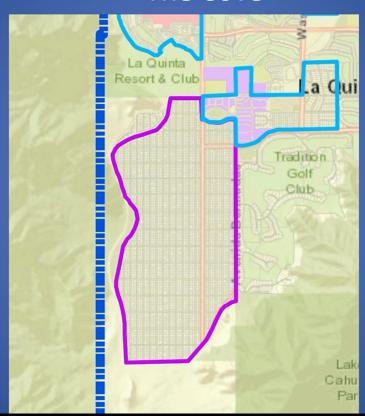
North La Quinta



TC/VC zones; Mid La Quinta



The Cove



Number and Density of STVR Areas

Areas	# of Units	# of Permitted STVR	Density Permitted STVR	STVR Second/ Investment Properties	Density STVR Second/ Investment Properties
1) North La Quinta	2,578	136	5.3%	97	3.8%
2) The Cove	4,994	282	5.6%	212	4.2%
3) PGA West	3,332	422	12.7%	382	11.5%
4) TC and VC zones	442	215	48.6%	212	48%
Citywide	25,665	1,284*	5.0%	1,109	4.3%

*As of February 19, 2021

Number of Code Actions and Citations by Areas

Areas	Code Actions (Notices/Citations/Suspen sions)	Code Citations
1) North La Quinta	161 (30%)	84 (32%)
2) The Cove	132 (24%)	73 (28%)
3) PGA West	183 (34%)	82 (31%)
4) All other areas of LQ	64 (12%)	22 (9%)
Citywide	540	261

Some considerations on establishing a moratorium on processing new STVR permits:

- Suspend <u>all</u> types of STVR permits: homeshare, primary residence, and general STVR second home/investment?
- Only suspend general STVR second home/investment type, but allow homeshare and primary residence type permits to be processed?
- Exempt TC/VC zones?
- Exempt new developments in TC/VC zones and other new residential developments with development agreements that include tourist/resort and STVR uses?

