

From: [Diggitt McLaughlin](#)
To: [*CI-StPaul>Contact-Council](#)
Subject: CC Ordinance 23-43
Date: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 4:28:40 PM

Toxicity Council:

\with all respect to the work done so far, we urge you not to have a final vote on this legislation. While all the legal requirements for public comments have been filled, it's undeniable that a huge proportion of city residents still do not know about this. There will be years of recriminations if this legislation passes with so many questions not dealt with.

For instance:

- There is no protection against private equity continuing to buy residential property, taking it forever out of the hands of local individuals. Faraway holders of private equity, whose view of our city's housing is as only another random investment vehicle, are not one bit concerned with the well being of our city or its residents.
- Far too much of the potential housing can be short-term rentals. While this may be a good investment (especially for those private equity folks, who are not local) it completely fails to serve the needs of our actual residents. Seriously---especially since every new development proposed contains a hotel or two, where are all these visitors to St Paul going to come from? Our actual residents will be damaged by this.
- Not enough genuinely affordable housing is likely to result from the legislation. Too little is asked for, and what is asked for is for people above the 60% level, which leaves a lot of residents still unhoused.

St Paul, and you City Council members, can do better.

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From: [*CI-StPaul_CC-Ward6](#)
To: [Greg Weiner](#)
Subject: FW: Short-term rentals hurt housing availability - 1-4 unit phase 2 amendments
Date: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 11:39:35 AM
Attachments: [Short-term rental hurts housing availability.pdf](#)

My apologies again, this is a second one that I think still needs to be added to the public record. That should be all from me on this item!

Jenna

From: Gaius Nelson <gaius@ntp.cc>
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 11:46 AM
To: *CI-StPaul_CC-Ward6 <CC-Ward6@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Subject: Short-term rentals hurt housing availability - 1-4 unit phase 2 amendments

Council Member Yang,

Attached is an excerpt from a collection of studies that conclude that Short-term rentals exacerbate shortages of long-term housing availability. It also seems to be associated with rent increases.

Why would the City of Saint Paul encourage short-term rentals within zoning amendments that have the stated purpose of increasing housing availability?

If this type of inconsistency exists within a single portion of the proposed zoning amendments – it is difficult to image that there are not similar negative impacts hidden within other changes to these far-reaching zoning code amendments.

Please take more time to evaluate all aspects of the changes and to reconsider approval of the 1-4 Unit Housing Study – Phase 2 Zoning Amendments in its current form.

Thank you.

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From: [*CI-StPaul_CC-Ward6](#)
To: [Greg Weiner](#)
Subject: FW: Ordinance 23-43
Date: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 11:37:16 AM

My apologies for this delay, I don't think I ever sent this over. Could you add this to the public record?

Jenna

-----Original Message-----

From: Victoria Stewart <stew0042@umn.edu>
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2023 3:28 PM
To: #CI-StPaul_Ward6 <Ward6@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Subject: Ordinance 23-43

Think Before You Click: This email originated outside our organization.

I am a St. Paul resident of more than 30 years writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed ordinance 23-43. It will create many problems and solve none. I urge you and other city council members to vote against it. Thank you,

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Sent from my iPad

From: [Polly Heintz](#)
To: [Greg Weiner](#)
Subject: FW: Zoning for Housing in Saint Paul
Date: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 11:11:55 AM

From: Colleen Ashton <colleenmashton@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2023 3:17 PM
To: #CI-StPaul_Ward7 <Ward7@ci.stpaul.mn.us>
Subject: Zoning for Housing in Saint Paul

Think Before You Click: This email originated **outside** our organization.

Dear Jane Prince, Ward 7 City Council Representative,

Since the decision/vote is still on the table for changing the zoning ordinance for Housing, please don't agree with the new zoning for housing. Affordable housing is a good idea but Developers have no moral backbone. There was a massive condo proposal years ago for the space at Mounds Boulevard. Neighbors didn't want it and still don't. So, please don't.

What happened to the large Affordable Housing plan to be built at the existing Innovation site in Oakdale?

Thank you

Colleen M Ashton

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