November 12, 2021

Dear City of East Point Property Owner(s),

The City of East Point’s Mayor and Council adopted three (3) Short-Term Rental Ordinances after listening to residents, reviewing practices/ordinances enacted in other cities and review of our existing ordinances, policies, and practices.

1. **Ordinance No. 159-020** was adopted October 27, 2020 to Amend Division II, Part 11, To Add Chapter 9: Rental Dwellings to Provide for the Licensure of Short-Term Lodging Businesses Known as “**Whole House Lodging**” and “**Homestay Lodging**” with Prescribed Conditions and To Add Definitions.


3. **Ordinance No. 149-020** was adopted December 29, 2020 to Amend Part 10 Zoning Code and Development Regulations, Chapter 2 – Zoning Regulations, Article A. – Definitions and Article C. – Zoning Text, District Classifications and Boundaries to establish provisions for **Whole House Lodging in the following Zoning Districts: R-1A, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-T and CR.**

These Ordinances provide for Definitions, Permitted Zoning Districts, Permitting and Licensing procedures, Required Fees, Enforcement, and other guidelines. **Short Term Lodging** is defined as an accommodation for transient guests where, in exchange for compensation, a dwelling unit is provided for lodging for a short period of time, not to exceed twenty-nine (29) consecutive days. **Whole-house Lodging is defined** as a business engaged in the rental of an entire dwelling unit that provides lodging for pay, for a maximum continuous period of twenty-nine (29) days, that does not include serving food. Whole house lodging uses are exempt from the definition of family. **Homestay Lodging is defined** as a business engaged in the rental of individual bedrooms within a dwelling unit that serves as a host’s principal residence, including any single-family or accessory apartment, that provides lodging for pay, for a maximum continuous period not to exceed twenty-nine (29) consecutive days, that does not include serving food, and to which the definition of family does not apply. **Annual fees** are 1) Homestay Lodging License - $75.00 and 2) Whole-house Lodging License - $150.00. The City will be working with a 3rd Party vendor on the intergovernmental coordination, enforcement, and a taxation component to be implemented soon. We will keep you informed every step of the way.

Sincerely,

City of East Point