Board of Supervisors Meeting

April 12, 2016

Chief Administrative Officer Lew Bauman reads Supervisor Dave Potter's short-term rental referral to the Board of Supervisors:

I did receive a referral from Supervisor Dave Potter's office and I have received an amended referral from his office in response to the letters that your Board has received so I'll go ahead and read that into the record and that is the referral titled as the "Short-Term Rental Ordinance" and the purpose of the referral is to request that the Resource Management Agency prioritize completion of the short-term rental ordinance by scheduling a final meeting of the short-term rental working group within 30 days and further request that the RMA staff present a complete short-term rental ordinance to the Planning Commission in the near future. The referral goes on to request that County Counsel also provide a response to your Board of Supervisors as to the question raised in recent correspondence requesting that the County not engage in code violation citations while the short-term rental ordinance is being developed. By way of description it notes that the County is currently working on a new short-term rental ordinance. Currently the Monterey County Code only allows short-term rentals, and that constitutes between seven and not more than 30 days, in residential neighborhoods in the non-coastal zone pursuant to a permit issued by the County. The Resource Management Agency staff has engaged in a number of working group meetings on development of the ordinance while working on multiple County-wide issues including preparation for El Nino impacts and the urgent need for cannabis related ordinance forced by State legislation. In this referral, it is requested that a final meeting of the working group be scheduled within 30 days and that a final draft ordinance be presented to the Planning Commission in the near future. As I noted it also requests the County Counsel provide a response to the Board of Supervisors as to the question raised in recent correspondence requesting that the County not engage in Code violation citations while the short-term rental ordinance is being developed and with

your Board's approval we will direct this to the Resource Management Agency with support from the County Counsel's office.

Following Supervisor Potter Statement:

I know this issue is important to you. To my colleagues, in the last basically 72 hours we've received 634 letters as of 9:30 this morning in regards to this issue. I think that's indicative of the magnitude of the issue that's before us. I think that's helpful actually. Of those 634, 450 of those letters came from out of the County. That's 71%. So it means that there is a lot of activity in this industry and I think the working group has been where most of those issues were flushed out. I hope that as we come forward with the ordinance in its ultimate form that those people that have expressed their interest in the operations will then take a look at that ordinance and abide by those rules. I know there was a lot of work to get those letters together but to get that kind of response in such a short period of time is very helpful so I appreciate your attendance today.

After Board of Supervisors Meeting:

In an interview with KION TV, Dave Potter clarified "near future" by saying 60-90 days would be reasonable. This suggests a draft ordinance should be presented to the Planning Commission no later than August.