



Notes from Zoom Meeting 2/26/21

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Michele, here are some comments from our meeting: Paula and Dominic agree that their notes from our previous meetings reveal a consensus among the Task Force that hosted, Class III STRs should be allowed with a SP in both the H and the HB Districts, that we did not mean to x them out there. Paula also mentions that the wording on p 2 of the AOP draft regarding the serving of 'breakfast' alone should be reconsidered, or explained, along with consideration of using words regarding moving solid waste containers 'off the street', and, on p.4 a description of 'all uses on the property' seems too demanding. Otherwise I cannot find for your consideration any notes specifically related to the drafts. Thanks again to the TF members who participated, and especially Denis, but actually the one and a half hour meeting was kind of unproductive, I think. The EDC participants had their say (and spoke freely during the meeting) but in sum they wanted us to know that it was 'drastic' to not allow unhosted everywhere, by restricting STRs we exclude our neighbors, we need to find 'common ground', and that unhosted rentals were good for the town. TF members noted we need to consider the aspect of affordable housing in the town, maintaining the rural character of Red Hook, not commercializing residential neighborhoods, and observing that the TF proposals were only a beginning, not an end to a process in which it may be better to be more restrictive at first and relax regulations later. Note, Michele, the EDC draft which you have seen (allow all types of STR everywhere) was based on a Marblertown STR Law, according to what we heard. As for neighborhood surveys, there was no agreement. The EDC already is doing a survey for local businesses re STRs (?). Some TF members voiced reservations regarding the reliability of any town wide survey, and the chaos invited as a result of any conclusions from data collected. Thanks, Michele, for considering these comments (and if I mis-spoke the members receiving this can correct me, or contact you separately) Bill