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We have a housing crisis.
Do not legalize absentee-owner short term rentals (STRs) in residential Neighbors.
They Belong in Commercial zones.
"Sunset" (Phase out) existing absentee-owner STR's within two years.
Limit occupancy to 10.

Allow one STR in owner's primary residence or accessory unit; owner must live on site during rental.

Prohibit the transfer of permits upon sale of the house.
Limit permits to one owner to reduce the STR density to 5% of all housing.

Did you know that in just the past five years the number of STR's has increased from 59 to 868 in the Leavenworth area zip code 98826. This negatively affects safety and affordability.

What short term rentals do is:
Reduce availability of affordable housing

Increases noise, all hours in a 24 hour block time with parties, people arriving at late night arrivals etc, increases traffic and fire danger.

Raises real estate taxes.

Decreases our quality of life.

Please as a tax payer I request a stop to STR’s in our area.

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