

	Name	Email	Address	Comments
1	Katherine George			
2	louise seguela			
3	Jenny Stroyeck			
4	Lori Zitzmann			
8	John Brown			
9	Jacob Chrisman			
10	Prairie Sievers			
11	Darren Fitzpatrick			
12	Erica Fitzpatrick			"I support limits on STRs in Homer. I'm concerned my children— and other young people—won't be able to afford to buy a house here in the future. I think the city should prioritize the quality of life for residents and would-be-residents, over investors who don't live here. We now have a vacation home on our street, and it does detract from the neighborhood feel— it makes it impossible to know all of the people on our street, as we did when the previous owners lived in that house. That said, I also support "grandfather rights" for existing STRs— especially in cases where the owners live on the Southern Kenai Peninsula area."
13	Kim Smith			
14	Lindsay Martin			
15	Frederick A Foster			
16	Kirsten Marie Dixon			Our community is not an investment scheme for outsiders to earn money from. Housing is precious.
17	Kollette Connors			
18	Charles Wood			
19	Carolyn Westbrook			
20	Kristina Henry			
21	Annie Garay			
22	Wilson Wilson			
23	Deborah Butter			Totally agree!
24	Sarah Concia			Thank you! The housing crisis here needs to be adressed ASAP!
25	Justin Bodnar			
26	Wyatt Landefeld			Please help steward liveability in Homer for the locals that make the town what it is.
27	judith kramer			short term rentals with out of state owners are ruining our neighborhoods
28	Todd Steiner			
29	Lindsay LeBrun			Keep Homer affordable for residents!
30	Michael Scanlon			"Absolutely, it is crazy it hasn't already been said. Air B and B is a scourge upon normal people."
31	Riley Cardwell			
32	Kristine			
33	Fred Pfeil			
34	Bridgette Mott			"Homer's neighborhoods are overrun: rental cars gridlocking our narrow streets, 300+ Airbnbs vacuuming up homes locals need for families and workers, leaving us with skyrocketing rents and 'For Rent' signs that never last. No more turning quiet blocks into tourist parking lots emnforce zoning caps on short-term rentals in residential areas to save our town for those who stay year-round"
35	Carol Harding			
36	Billie Love			
37	Tamara Branson			I am a lifelong Alaskan and resident of Homer these last 22 years and was a seasonal worker on the Spit for 16 of those years. Over the years I have seen seasonal businesses suffer from lack of qualified staff due to lack of housing and personally experienced being unable to find a year round rental after I left my marriage even having rented in town before with great references and steady employment. I was about to give up and move out of state. Found a year round rental at an affordable rate from a landlord that intentionally keeps his properties reasonable so that the working people of Homer can afford to live here and support the community. Too many VRBO's are making it extremely difficult for people who either don't want to or can't afford to buy a home here.
38	Carrie			"There's over 160 rentals on airbnb that are 3 bedrooms or more. In the past 10 months, I've only seen 2 apartments available to rent long term that has our 3 bedroom needs. I hope we can shift the housing market to provide more access to housing for families. The homes listed on airbnb are mostly houses, not apartments giving vacationers access to homes while I pay for an apartment."
39	Tyroan rediske			"Lived here my whole life, 26 years and am a commercial fisherman and contractor. STR's are not the future of homer that I want for my family. Invest in other revenue streams."
40	Elizabeth Prescott			"Do not let down Homer's working class, our town was built by hard working people and should remain a community that allows working class individuals and families to thrive."
41	David Duke			
42	Sean Dickson			
43	Zane Johnson			
44	Marni Levanger			
45	Seth Miller			"It's concerning that it's becoming increasingly difficult for young and low income residents to find affordable housing. A large factor in this is the growing number of Airbnb rentals, which so far have had no regulations to prevent property owners from having unlimited numbers of Airbnb rentals. This petition is an important step in regulating how many airbnbs properties owners can have. While it is true that airbnbs make an owner more money, it has created a housing crisis fueled by greed and something needs to be done to either regulate the rampant growth of short term rentals or incentivize property owners to provide more long term housing."
46	Elizabeth Kanter			Affordable housing is one of the biggest issues Homer faces with far reaching repercussions. Reasonable and fair short term rental guidelines will benefit everyone and the Homer community at large!
47	Sophie Morin			
48	Bette Seaman			"I volunteer at the food pantry. Our numbers keep going up. Lately we serve 180 families in a week. These are often working people, whose cost of housing is prohibitively high. I feel badly for young people who have few affordable options. These are not chronically homeless people."
49	Fran Durner			
50	Hal Shepherd			
51	Melisa J Miller			
52	Helen (Nell) Gustafson			
53	Linda Gorman			Thank you!
54	Dolly Peach			Don't let Homer turn into a short term rental wasteland.

55	Ed Berg			Short-term reentals withou a resident owners destroy neighborhodds. Keep them out!
56	Andrea Dixon			
57	Yngvil Vatn Guttu			"I am myself an AirBnB host in a different town - I strongly support this reasonable rule, which would serve all the best purposes - ensure that home owners are allowed to make ends meet through additional income from their own home (important with increased propert taxes), keep neighborhoods intact, and allow AirBnB, VRBO and other such systems to serve ordinary travelers and hosts, not property investors with little or no care for our living environment. █
58	Rayna and Scott Havelock			We support healthy Homer neighborhoods. Keep Homer real!!!
59	Alyssa Golden			"I frequent Homer and care deeply about its future. I have seen this same scenario play out in Seward, AK where we had been looking to buy a home and everything kept being snapped up for short term rentals. This took away housing stock and made it very unaffordable. I would hate to see the same thing happen to Homer."
60	Jim. & Ruth Lavrakas			
61	Ursula Reed			
62	Jamie O'Connor			The housing market in Homer is untenable for young people. I was very fortunate to purchase my home through owner finance from a gentleman who truly cares about Homer and it's future. I rent my cabin out short term while I commercially fish in the summers to help with the mortgage. I support restrictions on investment properties for folks who do not live in Homer. We do not want to be a community of 2nd homes.
63	Jeannette Morton			I don't think all should be grandfather in. Should be ones been longest or a lottery system. Too many all ready established.
64	Phil Barber			
65	Mariah Maloney			
66	Audrey Wallace			
67	Brittany Huffman			
68	Kimberly L'Orange			
69	Irene Pellegrini			
70	Madeline Pullman			
71	Adrien Knowles			
72	Kathryn Hartill			We do not want Homer to become Girdwood when it comes to short term rentals. Seasonal employment is a big thing in Homer with no housing available. I believe people should have the right to have short term rentals and I also agree with the points in this petition. Let's watch out for the future of Homer as a sweet community that takes care of each other.
73	Susie Inglis			Younger people cannot afford to live in the city of homer yet this is where we work. The housing market prices and rent due to unregulated airbnbs is becoming such an issues that young people are leaving. It is unsustainable to the community if this continues without regulations like these.
74	Sarah Kudla			
75	Elizabeth Kanter			
76	Jerrina Reed-VanWormer			"We must choose to protect housing here in Homer. So many children are leaving due to not being able to find housing already. If we allow this to keep growing no one will live here, people will just come to visit a ghost town. I choose community over profit, I choose community over investors. thank you!"
77	Amy Gilson			
78	Judy dean			
79	Dusty Lombardo			
80	Linda Gorman			
81	kelly jackman			"i never want to see Homer become California. or Sold outna. Thank you!"
82	Caitlin Hunter			
83	Dots Sherwood			
84	Rico A Foster			"This idea functions well within the City of Homer. Many lots outside City limits, such as in Kachemak City and along the bench, are on City water (delivered) and therefore can be controlled by this measure as well. Comply, or lose water."
85	Ty rilleau			
86	Sallie Rediske			O
87	Monica Kopp			
88	Mark Conrad			
89	Kim Smith			"This updated language is essential. The last sentence ensures no penalties for current absentee landlords. Keep our neighborhoods, neighborhoods."
90	Jane Miles			
94	Anna Torzillo			
95	Elizabeth Kandror			█
96	Therese Lewandowski			I'm lucky to live in a neighborhood with great neighbors who have been here for 10 or more years. I do have friends not so lucky and they complain about short term rentals without property owners there. I believe if property owners live on the property the renter is more likely to respect the space and the neighbors. I urge Homer to meet the requirement of having STR only with property owners on the property.
97	Shelley GILL			
98	Adele Person			"These proposals are a healthy beginning to finding a way to balance our tourism industry with our residential neighborhoods. But if we are going to have neighborhoods that look purely residential, they should act that way. I am often for mixed use neighborhoods that combine business and residence. But if we have zones that can't have small mom&pop stores, why do we have rentals that don't even provide neighborhood services and character?"
99	Kathy Smith			
100	Patricia Westbrook			"It is important to consider safety as short term renters come and go in a residential neighborhood where children and elderly live and play year round. Without oversight of a resident owner on site, short term recreational renters may be unaware of or feel free to disrupt safe neighborhood routines and noise levels. Increased number of vehicles used by Temporary Renters unfamiliar with residential neighborhood traffic patterns can negatively affect parking, pedestrian safety and children at play. Knowing who your neighbors are is known to increase personal safety in a neighborhood ; this is not the case with short term renters in a neighborhood."
101	Annie Garay			
102	Taz Tally			"Its easy to loose sight of and loose the essence of what is naturally special about Homer ... I am not advocating for no-more-development but for always keeping our eye on and protecting our most valuable natural assets, which is accomplished by thoughtful development guidelines, such as those advocated for here."

103	Lolita Brache			"It is essential that we protect our neighborhoods. There were some good examples of what other communities have done to manage and restrain STRs in their town centers. The material provided by the mayor before your last meeting was very helpful. I encourage you to focus on clarifying language and adding whatever is needed to HCC Ttitle I that will LIMIT STR s to those properties where the owner is in year-round residence. Having a VRBO or STR next door is not the same as having a neighbor. I think allowing such rentals above businesses in the central commercial district makes sense, as well as in multi use districts. But there is still a need to clarify what such districts can include and the sizes of new constructions."
104	Annette Bellamy			
105	Kirsten Dixon			
106	Michael P Walsh			
107	Katie Dawson			"Hello. I support Short Term Rentals having the same rules as B and B's and other businesses; namely, the rule that STR's should only be allowed on the property that is the owner's primary residence. The rental must be less than 30 days, and it must be the primary residence, a room inside, or another structure on property. People who live outside Homer, especially corporate conglomerates, shouldn't be allowed to buy up properties that will be rented. out and then left dark the rest of the year. This destroys the cultural aspect of having neighbors you know and can relate to, thereby destroying the feeling of inclusion and community a city should provide. This also diminishes the houses and property for permanent rentals in Homer, which has a housing shortage. STR's already extant can be grandfathered in, and be discontinued when the house is sold or changes hands. Of course, These rules only apply for areas zoned UR, RR or RF. I have been interested in starting a STR with my own home, and I support these limitations even if it affects me, because I agree with its precepts. Thank-you."
108	Benson Welles			
109	Brian Harrison			I would favor an amendment to allow the owner to live in an adjacent property. This would still provide appropriate oversight of the property in STR status.
110	Janet Fink			I feel like controlling short term rentals will help free up housing for residents
111	Carol G Harding			
112	James Lavrakas			I believe all of the proposals in this petition are important and necessary.
113	Toby Wheeler			
114	ROBERT E ARCHIBALD			It is past time to address this issue .
115	Kali Serendipity Glosser			
116	Mavis Muller			
117	Natanson Lisa J			
118	Rachael Schmoker			
119	Austin G Hinson			I've been saying this needs to happen for a long time and I'm really happy to see this petition. "Neighbors not Investors" perfectly sums up how feel about this issue.
120	Eston Youngblood			Could be limited to year round residents who also live on the property shared with a vacation rental. As a way of surviving the continued inflation of taxes and costs of living.
121	Josephine Ryan			
122	Joe Ravin			"The issue of STRs in our town has rapidly changed the way our town looks, feels, and operates, and with how quickly it has happened we must act with similar haste to prevent this wave from further changing our way of life. Many other towns have enacted similar legislature and found success. My only concern is with the ""grandfather rights,"" being granted, as I think that enables the people or corporations who have gotten in on it early to keep doing so. I think limiting this grandfather rights to 1-2 domiciles, or preventing non-Alaskans to own them at all would be a better tactic. In my opinion, we are not only trying to stop the problem from getting worse, but also better things. Allowing grandfather rights for all properties currently having STRs stops the problem from worsening, but won't better the expensive housing/rent crisis we currently have. Most of the homes which are currently problematic will continue to be so, unless we stop allowing Non-alaskans to STR, or at least cut those STR grandfather rights to 1-2 per owner. This would do better to make more homes in town available to locals."
123	Joe Ravin			
124	Asia Freeman			
125	Janet Fink			
126	STEVE KAHN			
127	Mike O'Meara			I fully support the recommendations outlined in this petition. We all know what a problem short-term rentals have become for people looking for a place to live in and around Homer. Let's do something constructive about it.
128	Debra Lowney			"Please protect our neighborhoods. Green space, walkability, our landscape including drainage, erosion, trees, access for wildlife, and of course our incredible views for all to enjoy."
129	JASON OKULY			"I appreciate the effort to address housing concerns in Homer and the thoughtful intent behind updating zoning regulations related to short-term rentals. As someone directly affected by these policies, I'd like to offer a perspective grounded in lived experience. I am a Homer resident who rents out my home during the summer season and lives in a camper in order to afford to remain in this community. Like many others, I use short-term rentals as a way to bridge the gap between local wages and the high cost of housing. For me, and for many Homer residents, this is not a large-scale commercial enterprise—it is a small, locally rooted effort to stay afloat. Because of this, I encourage the City to take a more gradual and targeted approach rather than broadly restricting short-term rentals operated by local residents. Specifically, I suggest prioritizing enforcement or limitations in the following order: First, focus on operators who do not reside in Alaska Second, those who do not reside in the southern Kenai Peninsula (e.g., south of Anchor Point) Finally, evaluate impacts from Homer-based operators if necessary This tiered approach would more directly address absentee ownership, which appears to be a primary driver of housing pressure, while preserving opportunities for local residents. Restricting Homer residents from operating small, home-based rental businesses may have unintended consequences. Many locals rely on seasonal rentals as a financial lifeline. These residents are also deeply invested in the community—they live here, spend money locally, and contribute to Homer's economy year-round. I believe Homer should support and celebrate residents who have found ways to remain here through creative, small-scale entrepreneurship. In contrast, limiting or phasing out non-local, absentee-operated short-term rentals would more effectively address housing availability concerns without undermining local livelihoods. Thank you for considering a balanced approach that prioritizes the needs of Homer residents while addressing the broader housing challenges facing our community."
130	Travis Loza			
131	Riley Cardwell			
132	Susan Ruddy			
133	Brittany Briley			

134	Andrew Pollak			
135	Emily O'Connor			
136	Shay Hoffman			
137	Connor M Eller			"As Homer grows and becomes more expensive this proposed legislation will protect essential neighborhoods which make Homer a nice place to live instead of just a nice place to visit. I do not endorse the ""grandfather right"" portion of this petition."
138	Sadie Sam			
139	Lauren Corcoran			
140	Phil Barber			
141	Christina Whiting			
142	Mila Stickrod			
143	Penelope Haas			This is only going to get worse unless we do something.
144	Chelsea Irvin			
145	Alexander Eller's			
146	Laurie Deakins			
147	Sara Clarridge			"Economically speaking, it is in every towns mandate to keep housing affordable. Constant and unrestricted growth is the same pattern as cancer. Look at the bubble pops of history and please, for the love of everything holy, remember that having a strong base is the only way to keep sustainable growth. How much tax revenue is the city losing from absentee home owners who do not live in our community? How many more public goods are we willing to lose because we don't "have the funds" to keep them available. The public pool, our children's schools, our roads, and the beautiful areas surrounding our little town that keep tourists coming back year after year, are all impacted by the continued decline in funding and the increasing number of homes that remain empty for long periods of time. Building more housing, building more rentals, and making sure there is a sharp line between the two is not just a reasonable measure, but the sustainable one. Starting with that sharp line can help ensure that the people who work here can continue to live here."
148	Ray Krakowski			
149	Alexander Fearn			Short term rentals enrich certain individuals while adversely affect the housing market for those looking for a singular place to live. Many wealthy people are able to buy multiple dwellings to rent out.
150	Tory Rockefeller			
151	Sherry Stead			Protect our neighborhoods and allow for people who live and work here to have a place to live.
152	Anna Wolfson			
153	Renee Alward			
154	Sierra Moskios			"As a young person in Homer who was committed to youth and business — I had to find a home 30 mins in AP that I could afford. This is crazy. We need to support people who live year round with stable, affordable and safe housing"
155	Irene Pellegrini			"People who were born and raised here are getting pushed out because its too expensive to live, and we see our woods and land demolished for subdivisions that remain dark and empty and unused. Growth for the sake of growth is not vitality, it is cancer. We are a small and smart community and we need to protect the well being of our town and residents."
156	Cody Stadler			
157	Cynthia Morelli			
158	Meghan Pollak			"Air bnbs have severely negatively impacted our housing market. This combines with inflation has made Homer almost unlivable. Seasonal workers can't find housing which means businesses have been and are forced to close for an entire season or early. This snowballs into a much bigger issue for Homer. And it's not sustainable. I understand that towns change and with that we can't expect to rent a dry cabin for \$250 a month, but somethings gotta give. There should be incentives for people who over long term year round housing for Homer residents and ensure there is also seasonal housing for our seasonal workers. Our residents being housed helps the entire community."
159	Julie McCarron			
160	Carmen Ricciardi			"Keep homer a town of small businesses, we don't need to be wasilla with a view."
161	Bridget Maryott			
162	Metis Riley			Short term rentals are taking over affordable housing for locals.
163	Hillary Arwen			
164	Carley Conemac			"I am a long time resident of Homer and personally have had a very hard time finding somewhere to live. I work 80+ hours a week and can barely afford my one room apartment. It took two years of searching to find a year round place with running water after living in a dry cabin for 4 years. The housing crisis is causing so much harm to our community. Professionally, I work for South Peninsula Haven House and the biggest barrier women and children face in this community is finding housing. We have to encourage people fleeing domestic violence to relocate outside of homer nearly everyday due to the lack of housing. I understand that there are many factors that are at play in our housing crisis and short term rentals is a good place to start. I hope that our community and the city council will not only continue to talk about this issue but take action so we can see real change."
165	Emily Sloth			
166	De Patch			
167	Maxwell doyle			
168	Melisse Reichman			
169	Fred Pfeil			
170	Yizhar Hazi			
171	Gregory Eller			
172	Tom Young			
173	Megan Blakely			
174	Gerald j Shay			I have so many friends here that can hardly afford rent and get kicked out of there houses come summer. Can some one tell me how we can build a community if people have no where to live year round. We need to curb this rampant air bnb growth. There's people that own houses here that bnb them that have never even stepped foot in this state. I belive we should limit bnb to one property per person not one person owns 10 properties making thousands and thousands driving the price of housing way up it's not fair.
175	Carolyn Westbrook			"STRs are businesses, zoning needs to be applied to them ASAP. No more waiting!!!"
176	sharon whytal			"Than k you for taking time to see what an important step this is to protect our communities and to ensure young people/residents can find affordable housing. This is a nantionwide problem and we need to start this and other solutions to maintain our precious community of all ages, incomes and the safety therein."
177	Charles Rohr			
178	Kevin Iahaie			
179	Anne Kahn			

180	Michael Salzmann			
181	Avram Salzmann			
182	kathryn L. carssow			"If an absentee landlord STR is next door, you don't have an individual or family for a neighbor; you have the hospitality industry next door. And, you are now living in a Hospitality Industry/Residential mixed use zone."
183	Jenny Baker			
184	Jason Sodergren			
185	Laurie Daniel			
186	Heike Merkel			"I support the availability of affordable housing in Homer. STRs have a substantial negative effect on the housing market, and community life in general. I would like to see maximum restrictions placed on STRs specifically, and investment properties in general. Putting a priority on individuals and companies being able to make a profit will destroy the very fabric of this community."
187	Kathryn Carssow			Please protect our residential zones for neighbors not for hospitality industry investors.
188	Rika Mouw			