

Meeting Notes – March 13, 2019

Vacation Rental Advisory Committee

Present: Meyer, Eck, Craigen, Katzman, Rusher, Jones, Sloop, Trosch-Most, Ptach, Hartley, Spiro, Bessey, Sue Davies (Finance)

Absent: None.

Three members of the public, all property owners on Ridge Road, attended the meeting.

Brief review of February 27 meeting notes. No revisions requested.

Summary of discussion regarding sales and lodging tax collection:

- The city is seeing an increase in non-hotel lodging tax collections, and the Finance Department has confidence that we don't have a problem with vacation rentals remitting sales and lodging taxes.
- There is potential for under reporting by sales tax licensees.
- All vacation rentals require a sales tax license, even if listed through AirBnB.
- Consider adding a disclaimer regarding the potential for audit on sales tax license application.
- Discussion on registration and permitting fees to cover enforcement and administration costs.
- Evaluate in-house versus third party options for compliance and enforcement.