



City of Austin

Short-Term Rental Definitions and Acronyms

ORDINANCE #20120802-122

approved on August 2, 2012 amended City Code Chapters 25-2 and 25-12 which provide for the regulation, monitoring and licensing of Short-term Rentals (STR's).

SHORT-TERM/ VACATION RENTALS

are the rental of a residential dwelling unit or accessory building on a temporary basis for periods of less than 30 consecutive days.

The Austin City Council passed an ordinance effective October 1, 2012, requiring licensing of short-term rental properties.

CCD – The City of Austin Code Compliance Department located at 1520 Rutherford Lane Building 1.

CO or C of O – Certificate of Occupancy obtained from The Development Assistance Center, 505 Barton Springs Road 3rd floor.

Cost of Notification – The cost incurred by the city to meet the requirement of section 25-2-791 Notification Requirements. It states in part “The director shall mail notice of the contact information for the local responsible contact to all properties within 100 feet of the short term rental use, at the owner or operator’s expense”.

PDR(D) – The City of Austin Planning and Development Review Department located at 505 Barton Springs Road.

STR – Short-Term Rental Property – a property rented for periods of less than 30 consecutive days and is not part of a multi-family use.

Type 1 – An STR that is owner-occupied or is an accessory dwelling associated with an owner-occupied principal residential unit (ex. a garage apartment). There are no limits on the number of this type of STR.

Type 2 - An STR that is not owner-occupied and is not associated with an owner-occupied principal residential unit. Beginning January 1, 2013 no more than 3% of STR's within each census tract can be type 2's.



Short-term Rental Licenses are monitored and issued by the City of Austin Code Compliance Department