



April 17, 2020

Parkside Ratepayers' Association Attn:
Maplewood Ratepayers' Association Attn:
Aware Oro-Medonte Attn:
Eight Mile Point Cottagers' Association Attn:
West Oro Ratepayers' Association Attn:
Shanty Bay Residents' Association Attn:
Oro-Station Ratepayers' Association Attn:
Moon Point Ratepayers' Association Attn:
Hawkestone Ratepayers' Association Attn:
Bass Lake Oro-Medonte Ratepayers' Association Attn:

Dear Residents Associations:

RE: Short-term Rentals in the Township of Oro-Medonte

The Township acknowledges receipt of your April 9, 2020 letter outlining your continued concerns related to disruptive short term rentals, and your request to the Township regarding enforcement of these disruptive rentals.

The Township provides the following in response:

Members of Council have individually indicated during Council meetings that they have heard the residents concerns on impacts from disruptive Short Term Rentals (STR) in the form of "Party Houses", and that these should not be permitted to operate in residential areas in Oro-Medonte.

Since the enactment of the Interim Control By-law, the Township's legal counsel has been actively engaged, and has provided legal opinions and advice to Council and staff. Legal opinions are subject to solicitor-client privilege. Council and staff continue to follow the recommendations by legal counsel, related to the drafting of a Zoning By-law Amendment, the scheduling of a Public Meeting, and various enforcement matters.

The Township shares the resident's interest in reaching a conclusion on this matter in the mostly timely manner possible, given the current COVID-19 situation.

We look forward to continued meaningful input from residents throughout this process in an effort to reach a decision that is in the best broader public interest in Oro-Medonte, and is the most defensible by the Township's legal counsel.

Sincerely,

Mayor Harry Hughes

c.c. Township of Oro-Medonte Municipal Council
CAO Robin Dunn, Township of Oro Medonte