

Date:

March 29, 2018

To:

Mr. John Crumbie, Case Manager

About:

17CUP1113 Short Term Rental Conditional Use Permit Application for 1267 Willow Avenue

From:

Mary Holden

1260 Willow Ave.

Louisville, KY 40204

Dear Mr. Crumbie:

I have lived at 1260 Willow Avenue since October, 1977. In 40 years, I have watched our neighborhood transform from mostly rentals to mostly single-family homes. The operative word here is homes.

We are a neighborhood that has had a progressive dinner once a year for more than 30 years, a block party, a block party wedding. We sit out on our porches in the nice weather, raised our kids here, and some of us are now watching our grandkids a few days a week. We share names of contractors and ways to live in these cool old wooden homes that are over 100 years old.

At one point, the owner of the 1267 Willow, Bob Woerhle, was part of this neighborhood. His daughter played at our house growing up and we all even went on a vacation together.

But Bob Woerhle moved away to San Francisco. He doesn't live here and rarely visits here and, yet, is expecting us to live with a very greedy version of his home turned into an Air BnB business venture.

We cannot sleep with our windows open on nice evenings because of the partying there. I have watched his guests vomiting off of the front porch late at night. The street is clogged with too many cars parked in front of his house and tour buses block the traffic to pick up, sometimes, 15 or more of his roomers. Always these people are total strangers to us.

This is out of the character of our neighborhood.

I have tried on many occasions to communicate with him the misery of the situation and there is no change. I have sent emails to Metro Call.

Please deny him a permit to continue this business venture in a residential neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Mary Holden