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I live in South Kansas City and I see NO benefit of short-term rentals for neighborhoods. It is running a commercial business in a residential neighborhood. The city needs to enforce the 2018 ordinance that prohibits STRs in certain zonings. All of the illegal STRs should be shut down permanently. It would have a negative effect on property values. I know that I would not purchase property if I knew one was allowed in the neighborhood.

Kansas City has a registry for vacant and rental properties with a fine for those that don't register. The department that is to oversee this doesn't seem to enforce the rules and have never heard of owners being fined.

A STR (non-compliant) in our area had a drunk renter show up at a wrong address banging on the door of an elderly lady in the middle of the night and demanded to enter claiming he had rented the property.

We already deal with longer termed rentals that aren't ideal for neighborhoods. Renters are transient individuals that don't have the same interest and commitment in neighborhoods.

Other issues include:

How would complaints would be handled

The city has shortage of police officers and calls can take 6hours or more

Degrading social fabric of the neighborhood

Parking on grass which is against city codes

Coming and going all hours of the night disrupting sleep of neighbors that have to get up to go to work and children to school

Sex offenders renting a STR

Trash

Disrespect for neighboring properties

Kids throwing toys and balls across neighboring properties

Parties and noise, large groups of people

Pets unleashed by those unaware of city leash laws

Renters walking across yards from cars parked on streets

Cars parking on both sides of the street blocking traffic

Concerns of how the city would monitor and enforce rules and funding

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