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WORK PLAN SCOPE

Attached is a list of questions that I suggest be answered in the proposed Work Plan, if it is passed, to be sure that any decisions made to revise regulation of vacation rental permits consider all the impacts of any decision – positive and negative.

In particular, the Council should examine the economic impacts defined in this attachment, so that County residents can be informed of the economic impacts of the vacation rental industry on the island, and the economic impacts to island citizens and businesses of any alternative regulatory processes under consideration.

MORATORIUM VALIDITY?

One comment on the proposed moratorium. The initial moratorium resolution proposal states that it made a finding that vacation rentals have “significant impacts”. That’s not a finding. It’s a conclusion. Findings are facts that should be used as the basis for a conclusion – especially if the finding is the basis for action affecting the public. What facts were used to make a conclusion that there are significant impacts? What are the significant impacts, and where are they quantified?

Is the moratorium resolution valid if it makes conclusions as a basis for the moratorium, with no findings of facts to support the conclusion. If there are no facts to support it, should that conclusion be stricken from the resolution?

Thanks for your consideration.

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