

June 24, 2020

Legislative and Regulatory Services Department Tatlow, Jessica 7-290 Superior St Victoria BC V8V 1T3

Bylaw and Licensing Services Division

1 Centennial Square Victoria BC V8W 1P6 Re: Short-Term Rental Business Licence Appeal – 7-290 Superior St

Your 2020 application was rejected due to non-compliance with City bylaws, including Schedule D of the Zoning Regulation Bylaw, which provides that a short-term rental cannot occupy an entire self-contained dwelling unit, except occasionally while the operator is away.

Per Schedule A of the Zoning Bylaw:

"Self-contained Dwelling Unit" means a suite of rooms in a building designed for occupancy of one family which has a separate entrance, kitchen and bathroom facilities.

You advertise the unit as "Self-contained, private guest suite", as shown in the attached copy of the description of your AirBnb listing.

You also advertise an area with mini fridge, microwave and coffee maker. We consider a kitchen to be a place to prepare food. The removal of kitchen items does not qualify you to offer a self-contained dwelling unit. Also attached is a photo of the front door to the suite, which is not consistent with an interior door.

An inspection, conducted February 9, confirmed these findings. For these reasons, your 2020 application for a short-term rental business licence was rejected.

Regards.

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