NO. 24-060

A BYLAW OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA

The purposes of this Bylaw are to amend the Zoning Regulation Bylaw and the Zoning Bylaw 2018 to better regulate short-term rentals and similar uses.

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The Council of The Corporation of the City of Victoria in an open meeting assembled enacts the following provisions:

Title

1 This Bylaw may be cited as the "SHORT-TERM RENTAL ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW".

Zoning Regulation Bylaw Amendments

- 2 Bylaw No. 80-159, the Zoning Regulation Bylaw, is amended as follows:
 - (a) Introduction and General Regulations is amended by adding the following new subsections (5) and (6) to section 17:
 - "(5) Without limiting the generality of subsection (1), <u>strata hotels</u>, whether as a principal or accessory use, are prohibited in all zones except where expressly permitted under this bylaw.
 - (6) In addition to the uses expressly permitted in their zones, <u>strata hotels</u> are permitted within properties listed in Schedule U.",
 - (b) Schedule A Definitions is amended by adding the following definitions in the appropriate locations according to the alphabetical order of definitions:
 - "<u>"Bed and Breakfast"</u> means a commercial use that provides transient lodging for the general public in a space that is shared with the operator and includes a breakfast served on the premises by the operator;"
 - " "Bedroom" means a room within a dwelling unit which is used, designed, or intended for sleeping;"
 - "<u>"Hotel"</u> means a commercial use that provides transient lodging to the general public accessed by a contiguous common space, all, including the contiguous common space, under single ownership, which includes
 - a) an entrance lobby that is open to the public,

- b) a service desk or office with a guest register,
- c) an attendant on duty at all times, and
- d) daily housekeeping services,

and may provide accessory amenities such as <u>restaurant</u>, meeting rooms and recreational facilities, and includes <u>motels</u> and hostels but does not include <u>strata hotels</u>;"

- "<u>Kitchen</u>" means a space used, designed, or intended for cooking or preparing of food, which contains a:
 - a) sink;
 - b) fridge; and
 - c) stove, hotplate, microwave, air fryer, toaster oven, or other heating or cooking appliance;"
- "<u>"Motel"</u> means a commercial use that provides transient lodging for the general public where each room or suite has independent access from the outside;"
- "<u>"Strata hotel"</u> is a commercial use that provides transient lodging to the general public on premises in respect of which
 - a) a strata plan is filed under the Strata Property Act, and
 - b) different owners own different strata lots;"
- "<u>"Time-Share"</u> means a residential use where individual <u>dwelling units</u> are owned, directly or indirectly, by multiple owners each of whom is entitled to annual use of it in proportion to their ownership share;",
- (c) Schedule A Definitions is further amended by deleting the definition of "Short-Term Rental" and replacing it with the following:
 - ""

 "Short-Term Rental"

 "means the renting of a dwelling unit, or any portion of it, for a period of less than 30 nights and includes strata hotel and vacation rental but does not include a time-share when occupied by a time-share owner;",
- (d) Schedule D Home Occupations is amended by deleting section 12(2) and replacing it with the following:
 - "(2) the entire <u>principal residence</u> may be used for a <u>short-term rental</u> while the operator is temporarily away provided it is so used no more than four times in a calendar year;", and
- (e) by adding Schedule 1 attached to this Bylaw as the new Schedule U.

Zoning Bylaw 2018 Amendments

Bylaw No. 18-072, the Zoning Bylaw 2018, is amended as follows:

- (a) by adding the following new definitions to Part 2.1 Administrative Definitions in the appropriate locations according to the alphabetical order of definitions:
 - "Bedroom means a room within a **Dwelling Unit** which is used, designed, or intended for sleeping.", and
 - **"Kitchen** means a space used, designed, or intended for cooking or preparing of food, which contains a:
 - a) sink;
 - b) fridge; and
 - c) stove, hotplate, microwave, air fryer, toaster oven, or other heating or cooking appliance."
- (b) by adding the following new definition to Part 2.2 Use Definitions in the appropriate locations according to the alphabetical order of definitions:
 - "Bed and Breakfast means a commercial use that provides transient lodging for the general public in a space that is shared with the operator and includes a breakfast served on the premises by the operator.",
 - "Motel means a commercial use that provides transient lodging for the general public where each room or suite has independent access from the outside.",
 - "Strata Hotel is a commercial use that provides transient lodging to the general public on premises in respect of which
 - c) a strata plan is filed under the Strata Property Act, and
 - d) different owners own different strata lots.", and
 - "Time-Share means a residential property where individual **Dwelling Units** are owned, directly or indirectly, by multiple owners each of whom is entitled to annual use of it in proportion to their ownership share.",
- (c) by deleting the definition of "Hotel" in Part 2.2 Use Definitions and replacing it with the following:
 - "Hotel means a commercial use that provides transient lodging to the general public accessed by contiguous common space, all, including the contiguous common space, under single ownership, which includes
 - a) an entrance lobby that is open to the public,
 - b) a service desk or office with a guest register,
 - c) an attendant on duty at all times, and
 - d) daily housekeeping services,

and may provide accessory amenities such as **Restaurant**, meeting rooms and recreational facilities, and includes **Motels** and hostels but does not include **Strata Hotels**."

(d) by deleting the definition of "Short-Term Rental" in Part 2.2 Use Definitions and replacing it with the following:

"Short-Term Rental means the renting of a **Dwelling Unit**, or any portion of it, for a period of less than 30 nights and includes **Strata Hotel** and vacation rental but does not include a **Time-Share** when occupied by a time-share owner.",

- (e) by deleting section 3.1.9.i(ii) and replacing it with the following:
 - "(ii) the entire **Principal Residence** may be used for a **Short-Term Rental** while the operator is temporarily away provided that it is so used no more than four times in a calendar year.", and
- (f) by inserting in row 13 in section 8 of Part 4.4 Old Town District-1 Zone (OTD-1) the following in Column B:
 - "d. Strata Hotel is a permitted use".

Effective Date

4 This Bylaw comes into force on adoption.

| READ A FIRST TIME the | day of | 2024 |
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| READ A SECOND TIME the | day of | 2024 |
| READ A THIRD TIME the | day of | 2024 |
| ADOPTED on the | day of | 2024 |

CITY CLERK MAYOR

Schedule 1

SCHEDULE U – STRATA HOTEL PROPERTIES

| <u>Civic Address</u> | Strata Plan |
|----------------------|-------------|
| 100 Harbour Road | VIS2360 |
| 500 Oswego Street | VIS6280 |
| 810 Humboldt Street | VIS6830 |
| 1234 Wharf Street | VIS962 |