Greenfield Common Council

**City of Greenfield**

**Memo**

**To:**

**From:**

Joanie Fitzwater & Elizabeth Williams

**cc:**

Mayor Guy Titus

**Date:**

Aug 21, 2024

**Re:**

Recommendation of Approval of **Ordinance 2024/18 LANDLORD REGISTRATION**

**Feb 12, 2024** Plan Commission recommends approval of The Short Term Rental Ordinance

**April 10, 2024** Common Council remands the Short Term Rental Ordinance Rental Registration ordinance back to the Commission to allow for a roundtable discussion with community stakeholders.

**May 1, 2024** Roundtable Discussion with public and city officials

**May 13, 2024** Plan Commission approved revisions of the Short Term Rental Ordinance for rentals of less than 30 days and also recommend approval of A Landlord Registration Program for rentals of 30 days or more.

**May 22, 2024** Common Council remands both ordinances back to the Plan Commission after public input and discussion to allow Planning Staff to research other community’s experiences and provide any amendments that may improve the proposed ordinance.

**July 8,2024** Roundtable Discussion with public, including MIBOR representative and city officials.

**Aug 13, 2024** The Short Term Rental Ordinance was withdrawn from the Plan Commission Agenda.

The Landlord Registration Ordinance, as amended, was heard by the Plan Commission who recommended approval to council. The entire amended proposed ordinance is attached for your review.

The implementation of a registry system is in the best interest of the health, welfare, and safety of the citizens. The attached ordinance prescribes the method in which all rentals shall be registered with the City.

**Changes of note** since the May review by the Council are as follows: 1) Removal of the term “Enforcement Officer”; 2) removal of affirmation of no delinquent property tax 3) Removal of Inspection requirements 4) Removal of $5 renewal fee 5) Adding yearly reporting to the Council.

Please let us know if you have any questions or would like to discuss in more detail. Thank you

**History of the Code update proposal: 155.056 entitled LANDLORD REGISTRATION PROGRAM**

The attached is a proposed update to the Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). The UDO shall be amended by the addition of § 155.056 entitled LANDLORD REGISTRATION PROGRAM, to address the need to identify rental properties and landlords, to help ensure safe housing conditions by creating a registry of the owners of such facilities.