

City of Anna Maria

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

DATE:

December 1, 2016

TO:

All Property Owners in the City of Anna Maria

RE:

Deadlines for Filing Bert J. Harris, Jr. Private Property Rights Claims

Ordinance 15-791 - Revised on September 2, 2015 Ordinance 15-807 - Revised on November 19, 2015

Dear Property Owner:

The City of Anna Maria provided notice to you by letter dated September 30, 2015 that Ordinance 15-791 (the "Vacation Rental Ordinance" a/k/a "VRO") was amended on September 2, 2015 and that the amendments may impact your existing property rights. A copy of the September 30, 2015 letter is attached for your reference. The letter also advised you that you had one (1) year from the receipt of the September 30, 2016 Notice to pursue any rights established under Florida Statutes, Chapter 70, the Bert J. Harris, Jr. Private Property Rights Protection Act ("Bert Harris Act"). Due to some confusion, as to the deadline to file a Bert Harris claim regarding the VRO, at a public meeting on November 30, 2016, the Anna Maria City Commission voted to approve an extension of the deadline to file Bert Harris Act claims related to the VRO to January 15, 2017.

At the same City Commission meeting on November 30, 2016, the Anna Maria City Commission also directed me to provide you with notice that the Vacation Rental Ordinance was further revised on November 19, 2015. That revised ordinance changed occupancy restrictions as to occupancy of bedrooms less than 100 square feet in size. If your property is used as a vacation rental and has bedrooms less than 100 square feet in size and wish to allow two persons, rather than one person to be counted towards total occupancy relating to that small bedroom, you have one (1) year from the receipt of this letter to file a claim under the Bert Harris Act related to the changes made to the Vacation Rental Ordinance on November 19, 2015 related to bedroom size.

The Vacation Rental Ordinance can be viewed on the home page of the City's website at www.cityofannamaria.com or you can request a copy of Ordinance 15-791 as amended on September 2, 2015 and/or Ordinance 15-807 as amended on November 19, 2015 from the Anna Maria City Clerk at City Hall, 10005 Gulf Drive, Anna Maria, FL 34216 or by email at amclerk@cityofannamaria.com.

Sincerely,

Dan Murphy

Mayor



City of Anna Maria

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September 30, 2015

TO: All Property Owners of the City of Anna Maria

RE: Revised Vacation Rental Ordinance Adopted on September 2, 2015

The City of Anna Maria Commission adopted a revised Vacation Rental Ordinance on September 2, 2015. Prior to adoption, the City Commission held several work sessions concerning revisions to the existing Vacation Rental Ordinance, the ordinance was reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Board, the ordinance was advertised before each public hearing, and two public hearings were held before the City Commission with final adoption taking place on September 2, 2015.

You are hereby noticed that this ordinance may impact your existing property rights and you may have only 1 year from receipt of this notice to pursue any rights established under Florida Statutes, Chapter 70, the Bert J. Harris, Jr., Private Property Rights Protection Act.

This ordinance can be viewed on the City website home www.cityofannamaria.com.

If you would like a hardcopy, copies are available to be picked up at Anna Maria City Hall: 10005 Gulf Drive, Anna Maria, FL 34216.

Sincerely,

Dan Murphy

Mayor

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