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Subject: FW: TUP Referral (Project No. I2022.019-TUP)

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Subject: RE: TUP Referral (Project No. I2022.019-TUP)

Good morning Fiona,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this application. It is our understanding that the above referenced application seeks approval to renew a Temporary Use Permit (TUP) to allow for the operation of a short-term vacation rental. This referral has been reviewed from a Healthy Community Development perspective. The following comments are for your consideration:

Housing is a key determinant of health. It has a significant influence on our physical and mental health, social well-being, and indirectly influences many other determinants of health such as income, early childhood development, educational opportunities, and access to health services. Healthy housing is attainable, stable, high quality, and in a location and community that meets our needs and supports health and well-being.

While this vacation rental can contribute to the property owner's income and support tourism through accommodation for the travelling public, it also reduces the availability of long-term housing units available in the community. It is important to balance long term housing needs with support for visitors and economic opportunity. As noted in the RDOS 2020 Housing Needs Assessment, there is an acute shortage of long-term rental availability.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email us back or call 1-855-744-6328 (Ext. 4).

Regards,

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