

## Miguel Guerrero

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**From:** Raeleen Gannon  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 4, 2024 2:08 PM  
**To:** Miguel Guerrero; Lisa Savage  
**Cc:** Caitlin Castellano; Cristin Kenyon  
**Subject:** FW: Request for Public Hearing, Vacation Rental Minor Use Permit VRM-23-6

Reasons for requesting public hearing.

I will add this to the comment folder in the digital folder

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**From:** Matt Kurth <mattskurth@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 4, 2024 2:05 PM  
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**Subject:** Re: Request for Public Hearing, Vacation Rental Minor Use Permit VRM-23-6

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Raeleen,

Thank you for the clarification on the rules for requesting a hearing and double thank you for checking back with me on reasons for my request. Here are the reasons I am requesting a hearing.

- Eureka has enough short term rentals, we need housing more than vacation rentals. The city is doing a good job creating affordable housing but we are sorely lacking mid level single family rental housing. It

is important that the city preserves this housing. Furthermore we have plenty of hotel beds in Eureka 80% of the time including a new one opening on Broadway soon. This vacation rental will sit empty most of the year while middle/lower income families struggle to find housing they can afford.

- I believe the public (my neighbors) should have more time and opportunity to weigh in with their opinion on their neighborhood.
- I am concerned about parking in the neighborhood.
- I am concerned about noise from parties and gatherings.
- I am concerned for my family's safety. That there will be strangers constantly cycling through my neighborhood including sex offenders and other various criminals.
- I am worried that having a short term rental so close to my home will bring down my property value.
- I am worried that strangers will bring dangerous or loud dogs into our neighborhood and then not clean up after their messes.

Please let me know if you need any information from me. Thank you for your time.

On Wed, Dec 4, 2024 at 9:09 AM Raeleen Gannon <[rgannon@eureka.gov](mailto:rgannon@eureka.gov)> wrote:

Good Morning Matt,

At our staff meeting yesterday I found out that a request for hearing requires a reason for the request. The following is the language from the code and hearing notice. "The request must indicate the reason or reasons the public hearing is requested. If no request for public hearing is filed, the Director's action is final."

I have accepted the request but will need a response to this email as soon as possible so the planner can start working on project.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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**From:** Matt Kurth <[mattskurth@gmail.com](mailto:mattskurth@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 1, 2024 4:56 PM  
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Hello,

My name is Matt Kurth. I am making this specific and written request to hold a public hearing before the Planning Commission of the City of Eureka concerning Vacation Rental Minor Use Permit VRM-23-6 filed by Michael Brown APN 008-123-003, 1105 McDonald Street.

Let me know if there is anything else that I need to do to request a hearing. Please confirm your receipt of this request for a public hearing, Thank you.

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