



## City of Tybee Island

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### UPDATE ON SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTAL PROCESS

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The City Council directed city staff to complete four specific tasks related to short-term vacation rental (STVR) ordinance enforcement. Below are the tasks and a brief status update.

Some final details will depend on the language of any ordinance changes the City Council makes. Staff members are able to administer the permitting process in whatever final form the City Council approves.

The council also tasked staff with gathering input via a workgroup. Notes from that meeting are publicly available on the city's website at [www.cityoftybee.org](http://www.cityoftybee.org).

#### STATUS UPDATE

1. **TASK: Develop a method for determining permits with no activity, and their possible removal from the rolls.**

**STATUS:** Completed. We have a method for determining rental activity based on hotel-motel tax collections.

2. **TASK: Develop a method for issuing new permits should we go below the limit, such as The City of Savannah's use of a waiting list. Determine a fair and just way to issue new permits.**

**STATUS:** Completed. We will have a waiting list of permit applicants. The city will issue available permits on a first come first serve basis.

3. **TASK: Establish a standardization of methodology for determining the current number of residences and rental permits by zone. Make this a city-determined number.**

**STATUS:** Completed. Each property owner is required to list the property's zoning category in the permit application. Staff will verify the zoning and determine the total number within each zone.

4. **TASK: Establish a method to prevent permit renewals, if taxes are not paid, or if someone is operating outside of the rules.**

**STATUS:** Completed. If the property is not in compliance and in good standing, then staff will not issue a permit.