

On Jan 28, 2020, at 5:51 PM, Nicholas Bartell <[njbartell@gmail.com](mailto:njbartell@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hi Plan Commission Member Ledell Zellers,

I am a Madison resident, voter, taxpayer, and Airbnb host.

I am a full-time professional musician and aspire to have a small AirBnB business on the side, probably 3-5 properties, to support me and allow me to continue to afford to be a performing musician. These proposed regs don't just inhibit mega-property management companies. They target people like me, just trying to piece together a living, in a non-traditional way.

I welcome guests from around the world and share my space in Madison with them. I ask that the Plan Commission and the Common Council respect my privacy and the privacy of my guests when it comes to sharing personal information or inspecting my home.

In addition, I ask that the Plan Commission and the Common Council rethink the proposed registration fee. Madison hosts already pay the applicable City and State administered sales and rooms taxes for our listings. A registration fee is an unnecessary addition. Similarly, the paperwork that would be required under the proposed ordinance is unnecessary and burdensome.

I support light-touch regulations that don't unnecessarily compromise privacy, curtail property rights, or unduly burden small businesses, entrepreneurs, and everyday Madisonians. Because the city already has effective noise and nuisance regulations to keep our neighborhoods safe and livable, Ordinance 58895 is not needed. Please reconsider the proposal. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Nicholas Bartell