

Commissioner Mark Samuelian

RE: 1320 Flamingo way, B&B

Will you consider adding bed & breakfast to the prohibitions for the West Ave overlay, just as you did for suite-hotel?

I had not thought in my wildest dreams that these tiny homes would try to skirt the law by building a McMansion to convert into a B&B which actually looks and acts like a hotel!

This is a 3 bedroom/2bath single family home which doubled in size and now has 7 bedrooms and 7 full baths. After the owner found out I am making inquiries with the city, she is now knocking on doors telling neighbors that there will be no overnight guests, just a daytime wellness center. Of course a main use and accessory use wellness center is prohibited in zone RM-1. And there is a huge rooftop patio.

The renovation has an approved building permit as a single family home. No permits for a B&B or wellness center have been submitted yet.

This owner is an investor and works full time as a marketing executive. An outsider swooping in to destroy our neighborhood in order to make a bag of cash. If one gets away with it then there will be many others. I am hoping we can close the this loophole and prohibit "bed & breakfast".