Town of Olive

Resolution #22 of 2021

INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR THE SHARING OF INFORMATION RELATING TO SHORT TERM RENTAL PROPERTIES BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ULSTER AND THE TOWN OF OLIVE

WHEREAS, a growing industry of online service providers have turned short term rentals into a rapidly growing sector of the vacation rental market putting these largely unregulated rooms in competition with local traditional lodging providers, such as hotels and Bed and Breakfast facilities; and

WHEREAS, the addition of short-term rentals, that primarily market though online hosting platforms, create a situation where all lodging providers are not compliant with local zoning, health and safety rules, and state and local tax requirements; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure collection and enforcement of the County's hotel and motel tax from individuals renting residential properties on a short-term basis, the County has entered into a software services agreement with a private vendor to monitor marketplace operators for advertisements of short-term rentals of properties in the County and provide to the County a list of the short-term rental properties, parcel information on those properties, physical property information, the addresses and contact information for the properties' owners, and information on the nightly rates (the "Master Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the growth of the short-term rental marketplace has left local municipalities scrambling to understand the scope and size of this marketplace within their jurisdiction, while attempting to address health and safety concerns and quality of life issues determined through local zoning and code enforcement; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to assist local municipalities, the County has offered to provide, at local option, an inventory of all properties within the respective municipal jurisdiction that have been identified by the County's vendor as advertising short term rentals;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board of the Town of Olive authorizes the Supervisor to sign an agreement with Ulster County to provide the Town of Olive, in an electronic format, information on the short-term rentals being advertised in the Municipality's jurisdiction that the County has obtained by virtue of the Master Agreement.

AND MOVES ITS ADOPTION

Motion made by:			
Seconded by:			
	Aye	Nay	Absent
Jim Sofranko, Supervisor			
Drew Boggess, Board Member			
Scott Kelder, Board Member			
David Edinger, Board Member			
Victoria Read, Board Member			
Dated this 14th day of September, 2021			
Dawn Giuditta, Town Clerk			