



## Legislation Text

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**TO:** Mayor and City Commission

**FROM:** Cale Curtis, City Manager

**DATE:** June 7, 2023

ORDINANCE - AMENDING CHAPTER 9, ARTICLE V, RESIDENTIAL RENTAL UNIT INSPECTION PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR VACATION RENTALS; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**BACKGROUND:** This proposed ordinance is in response to the City Commission's concerns and recognition of the impact from the increased vacation rentals of residential units throughout the City. This ordinance would ensure that the City has current contact information to notify the appropriate parties of emergencies and/or code violations at these properties. This proposed ordinance also provides for property inspections to address substandard maintenance of vacation rental properties, promote greater compliance with the City's Property Maintenance Standards, protect property values, and preserve the quality of neighborhoods and available housing.

This program would utilize the same fee schedule as the existing residential unit program. The existing fee schedule was not established based upon a specific type of rental, and would therefore be applicable to all residential rentals provided for by Article V of City Code. City staff will handle all aspects of this program including property identification, registration, and payment services.

This Ordinance was approved on first reading at the May 17, 2023 Commission Meeting with a 5-0 vote.

**RECOMMENDATION:** For approval.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Fiscal impact to be determined based upon the number of units registered and program implementation costs. This program is not designed to be revenue generating and is being established in order to maintain the integrity of the residential neighborhoods in the City of Margate and to enforce minimum life safety standards.

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