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SPI provides database of registered short-term rental properties

South Padre Island, TX, June 3, 2022: In an effort to ensure compliance with all local ordinances, the City of South Padre Island provides a database of registered short-term rental properties. This database is available to the public on the City website.

Short-term vacation rentals can bring a positive economic impact to the City in several ways. For example, they contribute to Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) revenues. At the same time, short-term rental guests benefit the local economy by spending money at other visitor-related amenities, such as restaurants and retail stores.

The database is publicly available to view the agent/owner and a 24-hour phone number for registered short-term rental properties in the City of South Padre Island. To search the database, [click here](#), or visit www.myspi.org and click the HOT Tax tab at the bottom of the page.

Short Term Rental Permit NOTICE:

As per [Chapter 11, Article VII](#) of the City's [Code of Ordinances](#), the agent/owner who offers for rent or advertises for rent (in any manner) a short-term rental of a dwelling unit shall obtain a short-term rental registration permit from [Avenu Insight](#).

To register a property for short-term rental (STR), complete each step in the order listed below.

1. Apply for an [Avenu Insight](#) taxpayer account to pay City and county HOT (11%).
2. Apply for a [Texas Taxpayer ID](#) to pay state HOT (6%).
3. Apply for an [STR permit](#) with Avenu Insight.
(Please note, the City has merged its STR registration database with Avenu Insight as of March 2022.)
4. List the permit number in **all advertisements** for the property.
5. File HOT monthly with [Avenu Insight](#) and the [Texas State Comptroller](#).

Community members who suspect short-term rentals of conducting business without a city permit are encouraged to contact the City's Accounting and Purchasing Analyst, Angie Barrera, at (956) 761-8382 or via email at hottax@myspi.org with their concerns.

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