



Town of Milton

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Resolution 2025-006

**To Request an Advisory Report from the Planning and Zoning Commission
related to the Regulation of Short-Term Rentals**

WHEREAS, the Charter of the Town of Milton vests power in the Mayor and Town Council to provide for and preserve the health, peace, safety, cleanliness, ornament, good order and public welfare of the Town and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council recently enacted an ordinance regulating the licensure of short-term rentals that did not place zoning regulations or restrictions on the use of property as a short-term rental; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council have the power to zone or district the Town and make particular provisions for particular zones or districts with regard to structures, buildings, or building material, and generally to exercise all powers and authorities vested in the legislative body of incorporated towns under and by virtue of Chapter 3, Title 22 of the Delaware Code; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council have received a large amount of public comment regarding short-term rentals; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council desire to be further consider the potential impact of short-term rentals on residentially zoned properties and residents' quality of life and how one or more zoning approaches to regulating short-term rentals may be appropriate for the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council request to have the Planning and Zoning Commission provide an advisory report and recommendation on one or more zoning regulatory concepts that may be taken to prioritize the needs of Town residents while acknowledging the growth of short-term rental needs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Milton that:

The Planning and Zoning Commission complete the following:

1. Develop and submit an advisory report that addresses the potential regulation of short-term rentals via zoning to be reviewed by the Mayor and Town Council at the next scheduled regular meeting after the due date of this request. Said advisory report shall not be accompanied by a draft ordinance; after receipt of the advisory report, if the Mayor and Town Council elect to pursue zoning regulation of short-term rentals, a proposed ordinance will then be prepared.
2. Requested due date: September 8, 2025.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, Robert Gray, the undersigned and Secretary of Milton Town Council hereby certifies that the foregoing resolution is a true and correct copy of the request for an Advisory Report from the Planning and Zoning Commission related to the regulation of Short-Term Rentals duly adopted by a majority of the Mayor and Town Council of The Town of Milton, Sussex County, Delaware, at its meeting held on July 7, 2025.


Robert Gray
Secretary of Town Council