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**From:** Pamela Kipp <pamkipp@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 11, 2023 8:46 AM  
**To:** Mark Wright; Afroz Khan; Ed Cameron; Heather Shand; byron@byronlanenbpt.com; Connie Preston; Sharif Zeid; Jennie Donahue; Bruce Vogel; Christine Wallace; NBPT Mayor; Stephanie Niketic; Dianne Boisvert; Jim McCauley  
**Subject:** Fwd: STRU's - Please Require Special Permit & No Investor-Owned STRU's

Dear Members of the City Council, Mayor Reardon and Members of the Planning Board,

Further to my message below concerning STRU's, I urge you to vote NO on the ordinance as currently written.

Priority must be given to residents who pay close to 90% of property taxes in Newburyport. We (residents) should have the reasonable expectation that our city government will protect us from commercial interests. Please take a cautious approach to STRU's - identify what we have now and put in place sensible regulation. Do not allow outside investors to buy up property and take away from our housing stock to add transient visitors to our neighborhoods. Our neighborhoods were not meant to be hotels. As a former city councilor put it "you can't just open a coffee shop on the first floor of your residence".

Thank you.

Pam Kipp

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**From:** Pamela Kipp <pamkipp@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Mon, Apr 17, 2023 at 4:34 PM  
**Subject:** STRU's - Please Require Special Permit & No Investor-Owned STRU's  
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Dear Mayor Reardon, City Councillors, and Members of the Planning Board,

I support allowing owner-occupied short-term rental units (STRU's) by special permit, including parking requirements like those for similar uses. STRU's can adversely affect the quality of life in neighborhoods due to late-night noise, inadequate parking, and loss of rental units.

I oppose investor-owned STRU's. We want actual neighbors in our neighborhoods who care about quality of life in the neighborhood, schools and city issues. Some businesses and property owners have argued that investor STRU's would make up for a lack of hotel rooms. Yet, if you approve investor STRU's, no sensible hotel developer will try to compete. Newburyport should not prioritize tourism over diverse housing opportunities and welcoming people from all economic backgrounds.

Sincerely,

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