

**From:** opengov@ashevillenc.gov <opengov@ashevillenc.gov>  
**Sent:** 8/26/2015 8:39:13 AM  
**To:** DHitch@ashevillenc.gov, opengov@ashevillenc.gov, ashevilleblade@gmail.com, PMcDaniel@ashevillenc.gov  
**Cc:**  
**Subject:** RE: Airbnb homestay/STR proposals records requests  
**Attachments:** [image001.jpg](#), [image002.jpg](#), [image003.jpg](#), [AIR BNB EMAILS.pdf](#)

---

Good Morning Mr. Forbes,

Please find the attached pdf document of emails responsive to your Air BnB request. Thank you.

**Alex Carmichael, MPA**  
Executive Assistant  
Assistant City Manager's Office  
City of Asheville

P.O. Box 7148  
Asheville, NC 28802  
(o) 828.232.4538  
(c) 828.450.1609  
[acarmichael@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:acarmichael@ashevillenc.gov)

---

**From:** Dawa Hitch  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 26, 2015 9:29 AM  
**To:** Records Request Mailbox; Asheville Blade; Polly McDaniel  
**Subject:** RE: Airbnb homestay/STR proposals records requests

Alex,

Thank you for providing the City's general procedures for records requests.

David,

We now have a total number for the emails that are responsive to your request. Because producing these records will not require extensive clerical resources there will be no charge. Alex will copy and scan the documents and forward to you at the above email address.

Best,

**Dawa Hitch**  
City of Asheville  
Director of Communication &  
Public Engagement  
828.259.5981  
[www.ashevillenc.gov](http://www.ashevillenc.gov)



---

**From:** Records Request Mailbox  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 26, 2015 8:23 AM  
**To:** Asheville Blade; Records Request Mailbox; Dawa Hitch; Polly McDaniel  
**Subject:** RE: Airbnb homestay/STR proposals records requests

Good Morning Mr. Forbes,

Thank you for your 8/25/15 records request. I have contacted the appropriate departments concerning your request for Airbnb proposals submitted to staff and will reach out to you when those are available.

As you are aware, the email portion of your request was provided in the Microsoft .pst format through a dropbox link on 8/17/15. In order for staff to produce those emails in the pdf format as you request, additional staff resources would be required. This would be considered a special service and would be charged per the public records request policy linked and excerpted below. Please confirm that you agree to those terms in order for us to begin that process.

[http://www.ashevillenc.gov/Portals/0/city-documents/communityrelations/Public\\_Records\\_Requests\\_081215.pdf](http://www.ashevillenc.gov/Portals/0/city-documents/communityrelations/Public_Records_Requests_081215.pdf)

Copies of public records that are not otherwise collected or available in pre-printed form and that require an extensive use of clerical or information technology resources may be considered a special service and subject to an additional labor charge. The special service charge, if applicable, shall be \$18.00/hour. This rate approximates the hourly rate of pay plus fringe benefits for the position of Administrative Secretary in the city's pay schedule (effective July 1, 1997). Charges under this provision shall be imposed for every 6 minute increment or fraction thereof, but shall not relate back to the first 10 minutes (i.e.: \$2.15/6 minutes).

Cordially,  
Alex Carmichael

**Alex Carmichael, MPA**  
Executive Assistant  
Assistant City Manager's Office  
City of Asheville

P.O. Box 7148  
Asheville, NC 28802  
(o) 828.232.4538  
(c) 828.450.1609  
[acarmichael@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:acarmichael@ashevillenc.gov)

**From:** Asheville Blade [<mailto:ashevilleblade@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 25, 2015 1:52 PM  
**To:** Records Request Mailbox; Dawa Hitch; Polly McDaniel  
**Subject:** Airbnb homestay/STR proposals records requests

Hello, during an interview today with a Council member they mentioned that Airbnb officials had submitted some proposals for alternate STR/homestay legislation to city staff. Please send over any proposals submitted, along with any emails by city staff or Council members discussing those proposals (in pdf format, please).

Best,

David Forbes  
Editor, Asheville Blade  
828-335-2529

[ashevilleblade.com](http://ashevilleblade.com)

Support us and subscribe at: [patreon.com/avlblade](https://patreon.com/avlblade)