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I support the immediate implementation of the by-law asking landlords to license their rental units.

I have been living on Algoma Crescent since the early 1980's. The neighborhood has changed drastically. Many houses now have multiple units in them. We have a mix of student and double or triple family dwellings. Many residences are not cared for. Individuals renting are afraid to complain re: conditions in the house (i.e. leaky ceilings with mold due to roof leaks). No repairs and minimal cleaning are done after tenants move out. They are charged extra to park in driveways. This landlord I'm referring to has five or six houses in this neighborhood. The fire marshal's office was involved with another property with no smoke detectors and other fire infractions. This was in a multi person rental on Collier Crescent housing at least eight people or more.

Why should we have regrets instead of being proactive in having licensed units which can legally be checked for safety and basic standards of living for any renter? I highly doubt that the city is even aware of how many houses have already been divided up within Buchanan Park. There are several on my street. Are they done safely? Landlords need to be accountable. It should not be solely about the money.

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