ORDINANCE NO. 05-273

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ALTOS AMENDING CHAPTER 3.36 OF TITLE 3 OF THE LOS ALTOS MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO THE TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX REGULATIONS

The City Council of the City of Los Altos does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF CODE: Section 3.36.030 of Chapter 3.36 of Title 3 of the Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

3.36.030 Operator's duties.

Each operator shall collect the tax imposed by this chapter to the same extent and at the same time as the rent is collected from every transient. The amount of the tax shall be separately stated from the amount of rent charged, and each transient shall receive a receipt for payment from the operator. No operator of a hotel shall advertise or state in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, that the tax, or any part thereof, will be assumed or absorbed by the operator, or that it will not be added to the rent, or that, if added, any part will be refunded, except in the manner provided in this chapter.

SECTION 2. CONSTITUTIONALITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase. of this code is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this code.

SECTION 3. PUBLICATION. This ordinance shall be published as provided in Government Code section 36933.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be effective upon the commencement of the thirty-first day following the adoption date.

The foregoing ordinance was duly and regularly introduced at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Los Altos on January 25, 2005 and was thereafter, at a regular meeting held on February 8, 2005 passed and adopted by the following vote:

Ayes:

COLE, MOSS, PACKARD, LEAR, CASAS

Noes:

NONE

Absent:

NONE

Attest:

David Casas, MAYOR

Susan Kitchens, CITY CLERK