## **Board of Zoning Adjustment**

## Staff Report

June 3, 2019



Case No: 19CUP1014

Project Name: Martin/Beauregard Short Term Rental

**Location:** 1227 South 6<sup>th</sup> Street

Owner(s): Will Martin and Emily Beauregard Applicant: Will Martin and Emily Beauregard

Jurisdiction: Louisville Metro Council District: 6 – David James

Case Manager: Jon Crumbie, Planning & Design Coordinator

#### REQUEST(S)

Conditional Use Permit to allow short term rental of a duplex with the upstairs unit serving as the primary residence of the owners/host in the TNZD zoning district and Traditional Neighborhood Form District.

#### **CASE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND**

The applicant requests approval to conduct short term rentals at the subject property. The subject property is developed with one structure that serves as a duplex. The second unit is currently the primary residence of the owner/host. The applicant states that the first floor dwelling unit has two bedrooms which will allow a maximum number of six guests. The site has credit for one on-street parking space and a parking pad is located at the rear of the property that will accommodate up to four automobiles.

#### STAFF FINDING / RECOMMENDATION

Based upon the information in the staff report and the testimony and evidence provided at the public hearing, the Board of Zoning Adjustment must determine if the proposal meets the standards established in the LDC for a Conditional Use Permit.

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#### **RELATED CASES**

As of the date of this report, there is not an open zoning enforcement case on this property. An enforcement case regarding short term rental use was opened on August 9, 2017; however, it was closed on August 16, 2017, after the property owner/host agreed to cease short term rentals on the property (Case #17PM20047). A citation related to the short term rental complaint was not issued. [Note: According to Jefferson County PVA records, the property was sold to the current property owners in 2018 after Case #17PM20047 was opened and subsequently closed.]

#### **TECHNICAL REVIEW**

There are no outstanding technical review items.

#### **INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS**

A neighborhood meeting was held on March 9, 2019 and three people attended.

#### STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

- 1. <u>Is the proposal consistent with applicable policies of the Comprehensive Plan?</u>
  - STAFF: The proposal does not conflict with Comprehensive Plan policies.
- 2. <u>Is the proposal compatible with surrounding land uses and the general character of the area including factors such as height, bulk, scale, intensity, traffic, noise, odor, drainage, dust, lighting and appearance?</u>
  - STAFF: When appropriately managed, the proposed use is compatible with surrounding development and land uses.
- 3. <u>Are necessary on-site and off-site public facilities such as transportation, sanitation, water, sewer, drainage, emergency services, education and recreation adequate to serve the proposed use?</u>
  - STAFF: The subject property is served by existing public utilities and facilities. The proposal will not create substantial additional requirements for the site.
- 4. <u>Does the proposal comply with the specific standards required to obtain the requested conditional use permit?</u>
- **4.2.63** Short Term Rental of a dwelling unit that is not the primary residence of the host or the Short Term Rental of a condominium unit that is the primary residence of the host in a R-R, R-E, R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5, U-N, R-5A, R-5B, R-6, R-7 or R-8A district and Short Term Rental of any dwelling unit in a TNZD district may be allowed upon the granting of a Conditional Use Permit. In addition to any conditions of approval, a short term rental and its host shall meet the following requirements:
- A. The maximum stay for a guest shall be 29 consecutive days. A dwelling unit rented to the same occupant 30 consecutive days or more is not considered a short term rental. *The applicant has been informed of this requirement.*

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- B. The dwelling unit shall be limited to a single short term rental contract at a time. *The applicant has been informed of this requirement.*
- C. At no time shall more persons reside in the short term rental than two times the number of bedrooms plus two individuals, except where the licensed property is in excess of two acres in which case the occupancy limit shall be two times the number of bedrooms plus six individuals. The subject property is less than two acres. The applicant states that the first floor dwelling unit has two bedrooms which will allow a maximum number of six guests.
- D. The property on which the short term rental(s) is situated shall not be located closer than 600 feet (measured in a straight line from nearest property line to the nearest property line) to any property on which another approved short term rental that required a conditional use permit is situated. The provision shall not apply to a property in the TNZD district which required a conditional use permit even though it is the primary residence of the host. As of the date of this report, within 600' of the subject property, there are 5 properties with approved conditional use permits allowing short term rentals. The applicant is requesting relief for the first floor dwelling unit to the provision in accordance with LDC Section 4.2.2.B. If provided, the applicant's justification for this relief is attached to this report. If the Board does not grant relief, the application does not meet all of the listed requirements and the conditional use permit cannot be approved.
- E. The building in which the dwelling unit is located shall be a single-family residence, duplex, or condominium. If the short term rental is a condominium unit, the condominium unit must be the primary residence of the host. All conditional use permit applications for the short term rental of a condominium unit shall include evidence showing the applicable condominium association has taken action to approve the short term rental of the subject condominium. The evidence shall be provided in the form of minutes from an officially called meeting of the applicable condominium association board where in all condominium would be discussed and a majority of the board members voted in favor of permitting/allowing the short term rental of the subject condominium. In addition to notification required by Chapter 11 Part 5A, an applicant for a short term rental within a condominium shall provide notice of the Conditional Use Permit public hearing to all condominium owners within the association. Proof of notification shall be by way of affidavit. This provision shall not be waived or adjusted. *The applicant has been informed of this requirement.*
- F. Food and alcoholic beverages shall not be served by the host to any guest. *The applicant has been informed of this requirement.*
- G Outdoor signage which identifies the short term rental is prohibited in residential zoning districts. *The applicant has been informed of this requirement.*
- H. There shall be a sufficient amount of parking available for guests, as determined by the Board of Zoning Adjustment. The amount and location of parking shall be based on the land uses and density of the immediate vicinity. The site has credit for one on-street parking space and a parking pad is located at the rear of the property that will accommodate up to four automobiles.
- I. The short term rental and host shall meet all additional requirements set forth in the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances. *The applicant has been informed of this requirement.*

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- J. If the property is subject to two (2) or more substantiated civil and/or criminal complaints within a twelve (12) month period, the Planning Director may revoke the approval. When the Planning Director revokes an approval under this section, the owner and host shall be notified of the revocation and shall have thirty (30) days in which to request an appeal before the Board of Zoning Adjustment. If no appeal is requested, the revocation shall become final on the thirty-first (31) day after the initial action by the Director. Civil complaints include, but are not limited to, reported violations of building, safety, property maintenance, nuisance, health and sanitation, fire, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical codes. Criminal complaints include, but are not limited to, reported drug activity, theft and criminal mischief. *The applicant has been informed of this requirement.*
- K. Prior to commencement of any short term rental on the subject property, the host shall resister the short term rental pursuant to the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances. If the short term rental is not registered within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the conditional use permit, the permit shall become null and void. *The applicant has been informed of this requirement.*
- L. An active registration for the short term rental, as required by the Louisville Metro Code of Ordinances, shall be maintained. No short term rentals may take place unless the registration is active and in the name of the current host and property owner. If the registration is not renewed and lapses for six months, or in the event of a change of ownership and/or host, a new registration is not issued within six months from the date of the change, the conditional use permit shall become null and void. In order to recommence short term rentals, a new conditional use permit must be granted if required by this Land Development Code. The applicant has been informed of this requirement.

#### **NOTIFICATION**

Date	Purpose of Notice	Recipients
5/17/2019		1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> tier adjoining property owners
		Registered Neighborhood Groups in Council District 6
5/23/2019	Hearing before BOZA	Sign Posting

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

- 1. Zoning Map
- 2. Aerial Photograph
- 3. Relief Statement for Item D.
- 4. Map showing approved short term rentals within 600 feet

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## 1. Zoning Map



### 2. <u>Aerial Photograph</u>



#### Crumbie, Jon

From: William Martin <willmartin24@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, May 20, 2019 3:55 PM

To: Crumbie, Jon

**Subject:** Request for relief - 600 ft provision - airbnb regulation

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Louisville Metro Planning & Design Services:

Thank-you for considering our application for a Conditional Use Permit to allow short-term rentals at our home in Old Louisville. We understand that the Metro Council adopted new regulations that would affect our application because our property is within 600 ft of other, previously-approved short-term rentals. We would like to request relief from item D, the 600 ft rule.

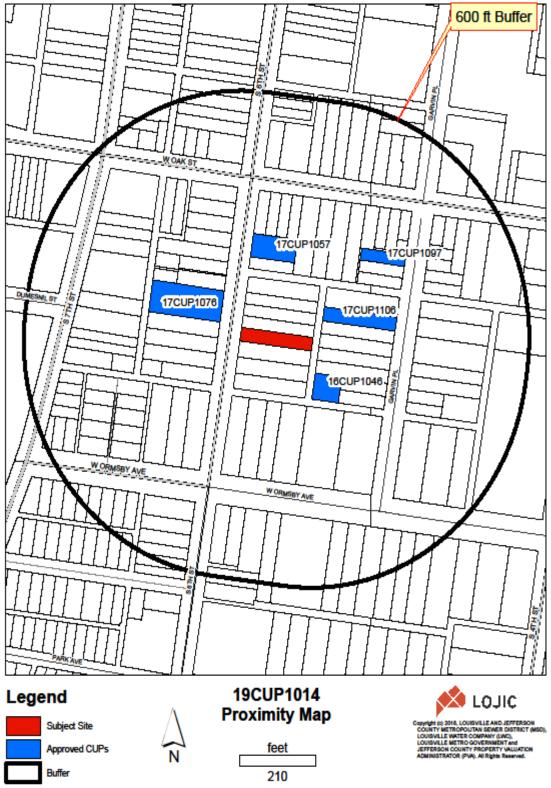
We understand that this rule applies to dwellings that are not the primary residence of the host. While our application may technically meet that description, we believe that our situation is somewhat different than what the council had in mind when the ordinance was passed. We own the duplex, and live directly above the apartment that will be rented out. We understand that many council members have concerns about absentee STR owners. Our situation couldn't be further from this as we will be on the same property. We will have a vested interest in making sure that the renters respect the neighborhood and property. We will also be on hand to address any issues that may arise. When the unit is not being rented out, it will often be used as a guest suite for our friends and family. We mention this just to say that we think of the apartment below as an extension of our home.

Additionally, we think it's worth noting that we have some experience in property management. We own a triplex in the neighborhood that we operate as a traditional rental. We mention this just to note that we are experienced with handling the issues that can arise in any rental situation.

Thank-you again for your consideration,

Will Martin & Emily Beauregard

# Map Created: 05/21/2019



This map is subject to change upon the Board of Zoning Adjustment granting approvals to other Short Term Rental Conditional Use Permits.