

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT STAFF REPORT

March 28, 2022

ZBA-24-22

GENERAL INFORMATION

Property Owner () Petitioner (X)

Brock Rogerson

Requested Action and Purpose

Petition for a special exception to allow the short-term rental of a property in a historic district

Location and Existing Zoning

39 The Downs. Zoned R-1H. (Council District 2)

Size and Existing Land Use

Approximately 0.26 acres, Single-family residential

Surrounding Land Use and Zoning

North: Single-family residence, R-1H

East: Single-family residence, R-1H

South: Single-family residence, R-1H

West: Single-family residence, R-1H

Applicable Regulations

[Sec. 24-91](#). – Special exceptions.

(35.6) *Short-term rental of dwelling, historic district*

PRIMARY

- a. Property must be part of a locally designated historic district as defined in Section 24-221 and Chapter 30, Article II, Division 1.
- b. A dwelling must be located on the site, able to be occupied.
- c. All building and fire codes must be met.
- d. No commercial events, such as concerts, weddings, or other large events are permitted.
- e. No on-site signage shall be permitted promoting or identifying the short-term rental.
- f. A short-term rental property shall not be occupied for a period of less than twenty-four (24) hours.

DISCRETIONARY

- a. At least one off-street parking space should be provided for every two (2) adults counting towards the occupancy limit. Parking spaces may be provided on driveways or within a parking area on the property.
- b. The board should determine to its satisfaction that the short-term rental of the dwelling will not be detrimental to the neighborhood or surrounding properties, taking into account the physical relationship of the proposed use to the surrounding structures.
- c. The board may consider whether or not the property is permanently occupied and leased in its entirety to one party for periods of not less than thirty (30) consecutive nights.
- d. The board may consider the physical characteristics of the neighborhood and/or surrounding properties (topography, access, etc.).
- e. The board may, in its discretion, establish a cap on the number of nights per calendar year under or exceeding forty-five (45) nights that a dwelling may be used as a short-term rental.

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- f. In cases of renewal, the board may consider the number of complaints, violations, and other departures from code that a property has experienced.

SUMMARY

The petitioner is requesting a special exception to allow the short-term rental of a dwelling. The dwelling has five bedrooms and three bathrooms. The petitioner is requesting the following:

- 8 adults
- 4 vehicles
- 30 nights

The property was previously approved in September 2021 for 4 adults, 2 vehicles and 30 nights for 1 year. However, the previous petitioner is no longer involved. Therefore, the prior approval is nullified.

Office of Urban Development, Planning Division: No comment

Office of Urban Development, Code Enforcement: Property was found advertising without a license on January 31st.

Office of Urban Development, Building and Inspections Division: No comment

Infrastructure and Public Services, Engineering Division: No comment

Fire and Rescue Department, Fire Administration: No comment



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PETITION APPLICATION

Last Updated, July 2021

Please complete all of the following required fields:

Location of Petitioned Property

Address: 39 The Downs, Tuscaloosa, AL

Property Owner

Name: R2CP (US) Inc. Phone: 1-310-977-5125 Email: brock@r2capital.ca
Address: Unit 4, 231 N. Broadway, Redondo Beach CA ZIP Code: 90277

Petitioner (if different from owner)

Name: Brock Rogerson Phone: 1-310-977-5125 Email: brock@r2capital.ca
Address: Unit 4, 231 N. Broadway, Redondo Beach CA ZIP Code: 90277

The Petitioner requests the following item(s) from the Zoning Board of Adjustment:

A special exception is a conditional use which the zoning ordinance expressly permits under conditions specified in the zoning ordinance. A variance is a deviation from the regulations in the zoning ordinance which requires proof of an unnecessary hardship. An appeal is a formal challenge of the zoning officer's ruling.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Special Exception | <input type="checkbox"/> Use Variance | <input type="checkbox"/> Variance |
| Commercial \$ 200.00 per lot | Commercial \$ 200.00 per lot | Commercial \$ 200.00 per lot |
| Residential \$ 50.00 per lot | Residential \$ 50.00 per lot | Residential \$ 50.00 per lot |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Short-Term Rental \$ 400.00 per lot | <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Zoning Officer's ruling \$ 10.00 per lot | |

Briefly describe the variance, special exception, and/or appeal being requested. Include any related information, such as number of parking spaces, hours of operation, etc., related to your request.

Short-term Rental, 4 parking spaces

**PLEASE SUBMIT AN ELECTRONIC COPY OF THIS APPLICATION AND ANY
NECESSARY SUPPORTING MATERIALS TO:**

Office of Urban Development:
Planning Division

2201 University Boulevard, Annex III
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Email: zba@tuscaloosa.com

Answer the following for VARIANCE requests ONLY:

The petitioner must specifically state a hardship for the variance. Explain the ways in which the zoning regulation creates a hardship on the property. When a variance is at issue, the primary consideration is whether a literal enforcement of a zoning ordinance will result in unnecessary hardship. Explain any special circumstances or conditions that are peculiar to the land or buildings because of which a strict application of the ordinance would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of such land or building.

Explain how the variance request is in harmony with the general purpose and intent of the regulations imposed by this ordinance on the district in which it is located and shall not be injurious to the neighborhood or otherwise detrimental to the public welfare.

Answer the following for SHORT-TERM RENTAL requests ONLY:

Provide the number of bedrooms and bathrooms the property has. Provide how many adults you are requesting to rent to and how many vehicles you are able to park in your driveway or parking areas (parking on the street is not allowed). Typically, two adults are allowed per vehicle. Include the width and length of your driveway. A typical parking space is 9' wide by 20' deep. Tandem parking (one vehicle behind the other) of not more than two vehicles is allowed, and a garage can be used. Photos can be provided with this application showing the proposed parking.

5 bed / 3 bath, driveway from road to carport is 110ft x 8ft

Carport is 14ft x 20ft, area off the carport is about 20ft x 30ft , parks 4

8 adults

- For all requests for any variance from or special exception to a zoning requirement pertaining to a dimensional requirement or the site, a scaled site plan and/or building elevation produced by a registered land surveyor, professional engineer, or architect shall be required.
- Requests for an exception from fence requirements must depict proposed location and design of fence.
- Any request which will not be represented by the property owner at the public hearing must be accompanied by a designation of agent form.

Certification of Applicant

I certify that the foregoing facts, to the best of my knowledge, are true and correct and that except for the exception, variance, or appeal requested in this petition, the proposed construction and use complies with all requirements for the zoning district in which the property is located. I recognize the City will send public notification and place a sign on the property with information for the public. This Petition will not be accepted until all required information is provided.

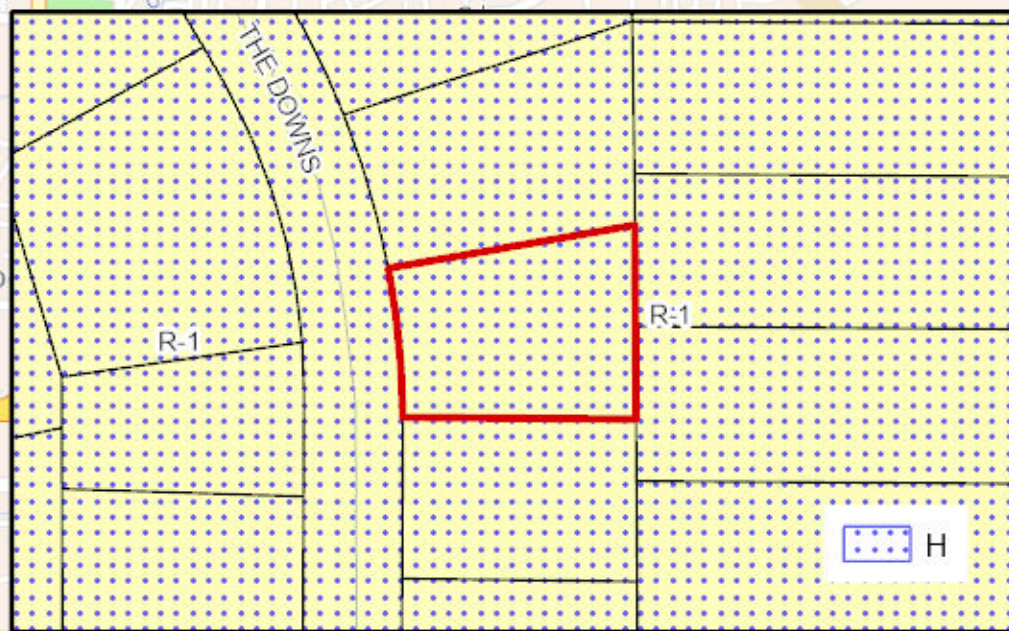
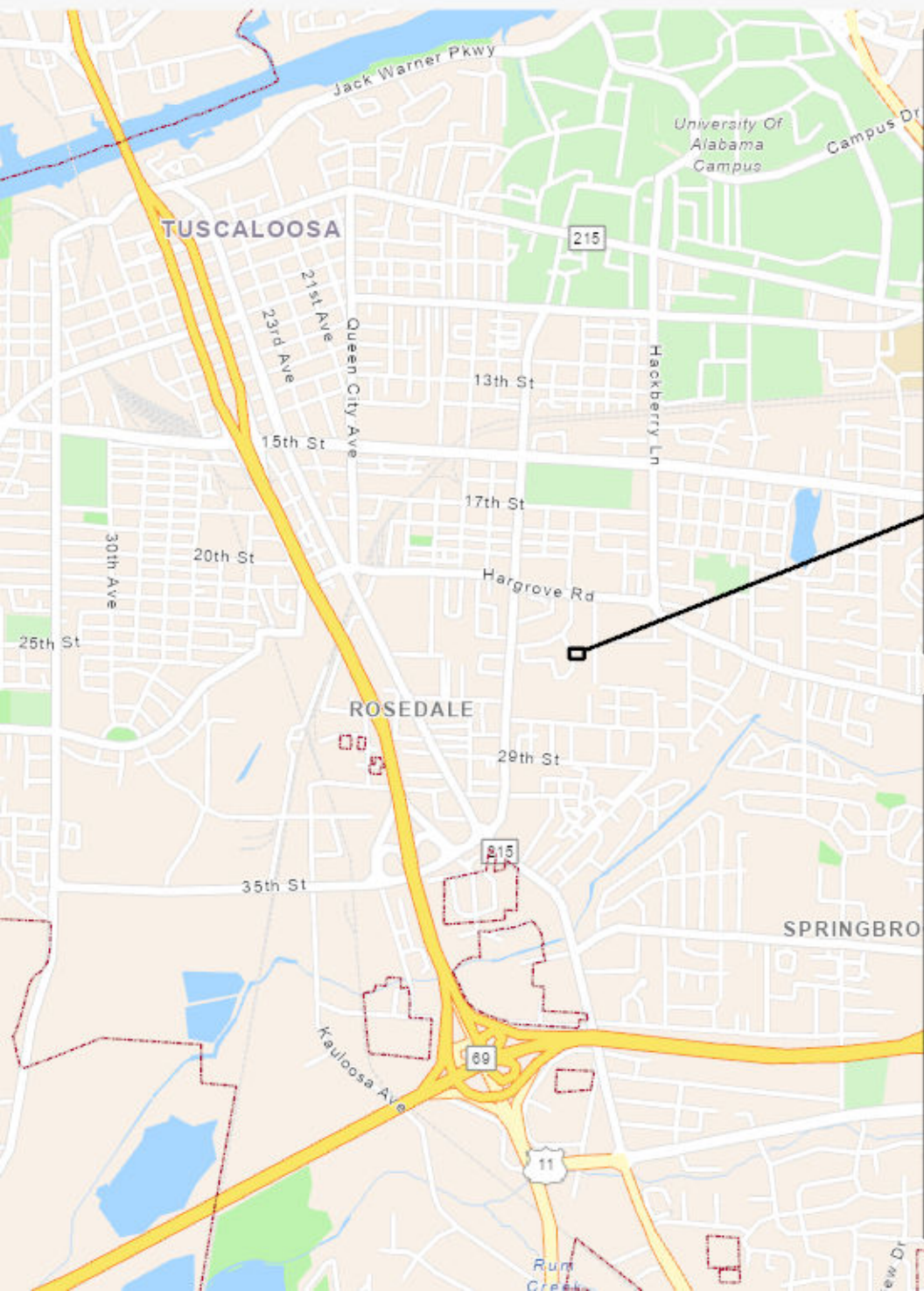
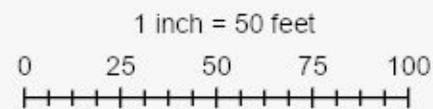
Print Name: Brock Rogerson

Signature: 

Date: 02/21/22



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1 inch = 50 feet
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NOTICE
THIS PROPERTY IS BEING
CONSIDERED FOR
VARIANCE/SPECIAL EXCEPTION
FROM ZONING REQUIREMENTS
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL: (205) 248-5100
OR
TAKE AN INFORMATION SHEET FROM THE BOX BELOW
THIS SIGN IS THE PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF TUSCALOOSA
AND MAY NOT BE REMOVED WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION

INF. BOX



