

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
MARCH 5, 2024 AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
<p>An ordinance approving a Planned Zoning Development titled Brandon Realty, LLC, 2 STR-2 PD-C, located at 1865-A South Cross Street (Z-9901-A).</p> <p>Submitted By:</p> <p>Planning & Development Department</p>	<p>√ Ordinance Resolution</p>	<p>Emily Cox Acting City Manager</p>
SYNOPSIS	<p>The applicant is requesting that the 0.17-acre property, located at 1865-A South Cross Street, be rezoned from R-4, Two-Family District, to PD-C, Planned Development – Commercial, to allow for an accessory structure to be used as a Short-Term Rental-2.</p>	
FISCAL IMPACT	<p>None.</p>	
RECOMMENDATION	<p>Staff recommends approval of the PD-C rezoning request. The Planning Commission voted to recommend approval by a vote of 11 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.</p>	
BACKGROUND	<p>The applicant proposes to rezone the 0.17-acre property, located at 1865 South Cross Street, from R-4, Two-Family District, to PD-C, Planned Development – Commercial, to allow for the use of an accessory structure as a Short-Term Rental-2, with a maximum stay of twenty-nine (29) days. The owner will not reside in the residence, and the accessory structure will be rented as one (1)-unit. There are two (2) parking spaces located in the rear of the unit.</p>	

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The structure is currently an uninhabitable accessory dwelling, and the owner of this property has plans to renovate the structure into a one (1)-bedroom, one (1)-bath unit. The property is located within the Dunbar and Downtown Neighborhood Associations, as well as the Dunbar Historic District. The Future Land Use Plan shows Residential Low Density (RL) for the requested area. The landowner is responsible for all permits for the renovations and receiving clearance from the Historic District Commission.

On June 20, 2023, the Board of Directors passed Ordinance No. 22,274, which regulates Short-Term Rentals within the City of Little Rock. The new ordinance establishes “development standards” for Short-Term Rentals. If approved, the applicant must comply with the newly established development standards as follows, in addition to all other requirements of the new ordinance.

All trash pick-up shall comply with requirements for residential one (1)–and two (2)-family residential zones.

Currently the City of Little Rock Department of Planning and Development has sixty-eight (68) Short-Term Rentals (STR-1 and STR-2) listed within the database for approved Short-Term Rentals in the City of Little Rock. The City’s new Short-Term Rental Ordinance allows a maximum 500 Short-Term Rentals within the corporate boundary of the City of Little Rock.

The applicant provided responses and additional information to all issues raised during staff’s review of the application. The applicant is requesting no variances with the PD-C zoning request.

The Planning Commission reviewed this request at their January 11, 2024, meeting, and there were no objectors present. All owners of property located within 300 feet of the site, as well all Neighborhood Associations registered within the City of Little Rock, were notified. Please see the attached Planning Commission minutes for Staff’s Analysis and the Commission’s action.