

Date Application Received: _____

Total Paid: 405.00 PAID

Application for Special Use Permit City of Harrisonburg, Virginia

Fee: \$375.00 plus \$30.00 per acre

NOTE: If applying for a Wireless Telecommunications Facility allowed only by SUP, then also submit a wireless telecommunications facility application.

Property Owner's Name: Harold and Thelma Williams Life Estate

Street Address: 98 Pleasant Hill Road Email: _____

City: Harrisonburg State: VA Zip: 22801

Telephone: Work _____ Fax _____ Mobile _____

Owner's Representative: Tara Koontz

Street Address: 627 S Mason Street Email: grantsgurl@comcast.net

City: Harrisonburg State: VA Zip: 22801

Telephone: Work 540-578-3499 Fax _____ Mobile _____

Description of Property and Request

Location (Street Address): 98 Pleasant Hill Road

Tax Map Number Sheet: 9 Block: D Lot: 1 Lot Area: .55 acres

Existing Zoning Classification: R-2, Residential Zoning District

Special Use being requested: 10-3-40 (6) Major Family Day Home

Please provide a detailed description of the proposed (use additional pages may be attached): _____

Names and Addresses of Adjacent Property Owners (Use separate sheet for additional names)

North: _____

South: _____

East: _____

West: _____

Certification: *I certify that the information contained herein is true and accurate.*

Signature: *Jeya Kubra*
Property Owner

ITEMS REQUIRED FOR SUBMISSION

- Completed Application
- Site Plan
- Description of Proposed Use
- Adjacent Property Owners

- Fees Paid
- Property Located on Tax Map
- _____
- _____

To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to be considered for a new special use permit. I currently run a licensed daycare in my home on Mason St. I have a special use permit for this house. We are in the process of buying a new house on Pleasant Hill Rd. I have been running my daycare for six years and absolutely love it. My hours of business are 7:00am to 5:30pm. I currently care for nine children with the help of an assistant. I would be very appreciative if I am approved for this permit so I can continue to care for children.

Thank You,

Tara Koontz

Commonwealth of Virginia

DEPARTMENT OF



SOCIAL SERVICES

LICENSE FAMILY DAY HOME

Issued to KOONTZ FAMILY DAY HOME T/A Tara's Tots (Operated by Tara Koontz)

Address 627 S. Mason Street, Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801

This license is issued in accordance with provisions of Chapters 1, 17 and 18, Title 63.2, Code of Virginia as amended, the established rules and regulations of the State Board of Social Services and the specific limitations prescribed by the Commissioner of Social Services as follows:

Capacity		
Twelve (12)		
Sex	Age	
M/F	6 Weeks Through 5 Years	

This license is not transferable and will be in effect from April 2, 2013 through April 1, 2016 unless revoked for violations of the provisions of law or failure to comply with the limitations stated above.

ISSUING OFFICE:

Virginia Department of Social Services
Division of Licensing Programs - Valley Licensing Office
57 Beam Lane, Suite 102
Fishersville, VA 22939
Telephone: (540) 332-9166
VLO-13-075

LICENSE NUMBER 1107882 - L704

MARGARET ROSS SCHULTZE
ACTING COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES

By Christopher H. Fracher
Title LICENSING ADMINISTRATOR
Date March 27, 2013

Mr Mayor, city council members and Harrisonburg City staff,

I'm writing in regards to Tara Koontz and her request for a special use permit to relocate her business (Tara's Tots) to a new location at 98 Pleasant Hill Rd. Harrisonburg VA 2801.

Tara has been our childcare provider for 2 years now. We couldn't be happier with our son Aiden's time with Tara and her mother Mellie that also works for the business. Tara's unconditional love for each of the kids under her care shows through each and every day. For me personally it often happens in small ways. Like once when I sneezed Aiden, barely two at the time, without hesitation calmly said "bless you daddy". Not even looking up. After which I looked at my wife Laura to see if that was something she had been working with him on and she was looking back at me with as much surprise. Instantly we both knew it was Tara's Tots.

I also know for a fact she takes the concerns of the city and neighbors seriously as I was once gently reminded that I shouldn't park on the street blocking neighbors spots but rather use the driveway. Some of the neighbors had expressed concerns over not having their usual parking space at the end of the day when coming home. Tara took that seriously and asked each of us to respect her neighbors wishes.

The new location is on a less busy street and also has a longer driveway with additional space for parents to pull off the street when picking up their kids. The yard will provide outdoor play space that Tara's Tots can not currently provide. Plus the opportunity to own the home and place of business would allow for Tara and her husband Grant to make improvements and modification to the home to better the business as they sees fit.

In truth I'd miss having Tara's Tot's at it's Mason St location because I live just a few blocks away at 487 Ott St and currently can walk my son to daycare. While that would no longer be an option for us should Tara's Tots move, I feel the benefits outway the loss.

In short Tara's genuine love for the children in her care is without questions the single most important reason we have our son at Tara's Tots. Tara has shown quality business planning skills giving us her vacation schedule a whole year in advance and being one of the only VA State licensed childcare providers in the area. She continues to look for ways to better her business and this is the next step.

I hope you will find Mrs Koontz application agreeable and grant the special use permit she is requesting.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Derik Trissel", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Derik Trissel
487 Ott St

98 Berkeley Avenue
Grottoes, VA 24441

December 7, 2015

Mr. Adam Fletcher
City Planner
Department of Planning and Community Development
409 South Main Street
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Dear Mr. Fletcher,

My name is Aimee Roberts, and my son, Logan, started attending Tara's Tots in the fall of 2014.

I commute to Harrisonburg every morning from Grottoes, VA, and when Tara first told me about the possible location change, I was thrilled. The new Tara's Tots location will be great for children and parents, alike. The kids will benefit from the huge fenced-in backyard, and the parents will have better off-street parking.

My husband and I are incredibly happy with the care that Logan receives at Tara's Tots. Now, at 15 months old, Logan is visibly excited when we arrive at daycare. He greets Miss Tara every morning with a huge smile and an even bigger hug. Tara; her mother, Mellie; and father, Tom, are nurturing and dedicated childcare providers, and Logan has developed into a happy, inquisitive young boy because of the care he receives at Tara's Tots.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Aimee Roberts". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and legible.

Aimee Roberts