

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Special Use Permit Application

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PROPERTY INFORMATION				
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140 Ott St, Harrisonburg, VA 22801			26 G 2	0.39 acres or sq.ft.
Property Address			Tax Map	Total Land Area (circle)
Existing Zoning Classification: R1				17,144 sf.
Special Use being requested: Short term rental				
PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION				
Margaret P Morris			540-433-0509	
Property Owner Name			Telephone	
140 Ott St			meg.morris@gmail.com	
Street Address			E-Mail	
Harrisonburg	VA	22801		4
City	State	Zip		
OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE INFORMATION				
Owner's Representative			Telephone	
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Street Address			E-Mail	
City	State	Zip	IFICATION	
I certify that the information supplied on this application and on the attachments provided (maps and other information) is accurate and true				
to the best of my knowledge. In addition, I hereby grant permission to the agents and employees of the City of Harrisonburg to enter the above				
property for the purposes of processing and reviewing this application. I also understand that, when required, public notice signs will be				
posted by the City on any property.				
Mayant P Main			9-7-22	
PROPERTY-OWNER			DATE	
REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS				
☐ Site or Property Map ☐ Letter explaining proposed use & reasons for seeking a Special Use Permit.				
Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) Determination Form OR Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) Acceptance Letter signed by Public Works				
Department. Applicant is responsible for coordinating with Public Works prior to submitting this application. For more information, visit				
www.harrisonburgva.gov/traffic-impact-analysis. This requirement is waived for the following SUPs: major family day homes, reducing required parking areas, reduction in required side yard setback, wireless telecommunication facilities, wall and fences, and short-term				
rentals. To prevent delays in reviewing your application, please consult with Planning staff to confirm your application does not require				
a TIA Determination Form or TIA Acceptance Letter. Note: If applying for a Wireless Telecommunications Facility allowed only by SUP, then also submit a wireless telecommunications facility				
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application. TO BE COMPLETED BY PLANNING & ZONING DIVISION				
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9-8-22			Total Fees Due: \$ 455 Paid Application Fee: \$425.00 + \$30.00 per acre	
Date Application and Fee Received			Application Fee: \$425	.00 + \$30.00 per acre
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To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for considering my special use permit request for 140 Ott Street. 140 Ott Street is a 2586 sq ft single family house close to the downtown center, and it has been my personal residence since 2009. I am requesting a special use permit to use my home as a short term rental periodically for up to eight guests. The house has four accommodation spaces.

I currently rent out 140 Ott Street as a STR under the by-right rules, max four guests for up to 90 days a year. Several groups have rented the house and they've left positive reviews. Additionally, my neighbors know that I'm renting out the house sometimes, and they have my contact information and can easily get in touch with me if there are any issues.

My home is close walking distance to downtown shops and restaurants, and expanding my home's short term rental use will benefit Harrisonburg's economy by bringing more tourists to downtown and increasing tax revenue. On a personal note, it benefits me by letting me earn money on a house that would otherwise sit empty. I share custody of my children with their father and travel when my boys are with their dad, which is a perfect opportunity for renting out my home.

The house has been a popular short term rental on Airbnb. Past guests include JMU parents, JMU alumni, and visitors from DC/Northern Virginia coming down for mountain biking, hiking, and wine touring. The house has a location central to JMU, EMU, and downtown businesses. It's sizable enough to host larger groups and it has a long driveway that can easily accommodate several cars. Hosting short term stays at my home has gone well so I'd like to be able to expand the use, rent out to larger groups for more days in the year.

Please feel free to reach out with questions.

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