AGENDA REPORT PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEETING July 10, 2025

SUMMARY

A request by Dean Klempke Jr. (agent), on behalf of Dean and Amber Klempke (owners), for approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow 910 Madison Street to be used as a short-term rental for a maximum of 2 transient guests for up to 210 nights annually pursuant to Sec. 29-3.3(vv) and Sec. 29-6.4(m)(2) of the Unified Development Code. The subject property contains approximately 0.11-acres, is located approximately 180 feet south of the intersection of Jackson Street and Madison Street, is zoned R-2 (Two-family Dwelling), and is addressed 910 Madison Street.

DISCUSSION

The applicant seeks approval of a conditional use permit (CUP) to allow their approximately 638 sq. ft. detached single-family home to be used as a short-term rental for a maximum of 2 transient guests up to 210 nights annually. The applicant has stated that the dwelling has one bedroom containing 133 sq. ft. According to the Boone County Assessor's site, the dwelling contains two bedrooms and one full bathroom.

As part of the STR Licensing process, a full inspection of the dwelling will be performed by Housing and Neighborhood Services Department and Building and Site Development Division. It is worth noting that the subject dwelling passed an inspection to be used as a "long-term" rental with the Office of Neighborhood Services in 2021 before the transfer of deed in 2025. The home is located within the R-2 (Two-family Dwelling) district and is the not the applicant's principal residence.

Given the number of desired guests (2), a minimum of 1 UDC-compliant on-site/off-street parking spaces must be provided. A site-specific evaluation of the property found that the home has an existing driveway serving the property. This site feature provides sufficient parking outside the public right-of-way needed to support the required 1 parking space.

Review of available code violation records from the Housing and Neighborhood Services Department and the Columbia Police Department **specifically** associated with this property did not identified a single violation that was unresolved.

Pursuant to Sec. 29-3.3(vv)(2)(i) of the UDC, dwellings used prior to June 1, 2025 were allowed to operate without a CUP, STR Certificate of Compliance or a Business License. Following June 1, 2025, any dwelling operated as an STR must fully comply with the provisions of the STR regulations which includes acquisition of an STR Certificate of Compliance, Business License, and submission of accommodation taxes. Approval of this request is a required prerequisite to proceed forward in obtaining the STR certificate and business license.

While final action on this request is pending, enforcement action on the operation of the dwelling as an STR would be suspended. Continued operation of the subject dwelling as an STR following City Council action on this request without acquiring the STR certificate of compliance and business license would constitute an **illegal** land use and would be subject to revocation of the CUP, if authorized, as well as other enforcement actions identified in the City Code.

APPLICATION EVALUATION

The submitted application is subject to both the general and conditional use permit provisions governing short-term rentals identified within Sec. 29-3.3(vv)(1)(ii)(B) and Sec. 29-3.3(vv)(2) as well as Sec. 29-6.4(m)(2)(i) and (iii) of the UDC, respectively. The following analysis provides an overview of the submitted application and these criteria.

The dwelling is the not the applicant's principal residence and was disclosed as having been previously offered as a short-term rental, but is not currently listed on any short-term rental sites. The applicant is unaware of how many days it was offered or occupied as a short-term rental in previous years as they purchased the property in April of 2025.

If this request is approved, the listing description on any site used for adverting the dwelling for STR use will be required to accurately reflect the approved occupancy and will undergo periodic review to ensure compliance with the issued CUP and corresponding licenses. A review of online rental platforms such as Airbnb, VRBO, Booking.com, and Furnishedfinders.com did not identify additional STRs within a 300-foot radius of the subject site.

Based upon the application stated **bedroom** square footage, it appears the dwelling would be capable of supporting the requested 2 transient guests based on the occupancy criteria in Sec. 404.4.1 of the most current city-adopted edition of the International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC). The owner is seeking approval for 2 transient guests which is within the limitations imposed by Sec. 29-3.3(vv)(2)(v) of the UDC and is supported by the number of available on-site/off-street parking spaces within the gravel driveway.

Maximum occupancy within the dwelling will be determined by the City's Housing and Neighborhood Services Department as part of the required compliance checks for conformance with the provisions of Chapter 22, Art. 5 (Rental Unit Conservation Law) prior to issuance of a STR Certificate of Compliance. The authorized occupancy will appear on the STR Certificate of Compliance and is required to be included on any website or other media advertising the dwelling for STR usage.

Based on a site-specific evaluation, access to the dwelling does not appear to require ascending a step to enter the structure. Compliance with the accessibility provisions of Sec. 29-3.3(vv)((2)(xiv) of the UDC will be determined prior to issuance of the STR Certificate of Compliance.

The dwelling is supported by adequate public infrastructure (i.e. electric, sewer, & water) and there are no known issues with the available capacity to serve the dwelling as an STR. There are no sidewalks along either side of Madison Street. Parking is permitted along both sides of Madison Street. It is of note that Madison Street is part of the "bike boulevard" that runs north/south including stretches on Edgewood Ave, Aldeah Ave, Alexander Ave, and Banks Ave as well.

The subject dwelling has 25 other structures within the 185-foot notification radius. Of these structures, 9 appear to be owner-occupied. The property is also within 1000-feet of 1 registered neighborhood association/homeowners association. The immediately adjoining properties are zoned R-2. R-2 parcels are permitted a maximum of 4-unrelated individuals when the dwellings are used as long-term rental dwellings.

The subject dwelling is owned by Dean and Amber Klempke, husband and wife. Based on this ownership, approval of the requested CUP would be the "one and only" STR license issued to either individual pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 29-3.3(vv)(2)(ii) of the UDC. The application indicates that the owner will be the designated agent to address compliance matters should they arise while the dwelling is offered for STR purposes. Based upon the location information provided within the application, the owner is a resident of Boone County located approximately 2.9 miles (12 minutes) from the dwelling if the need arises to address compliance matters.

Sec. 29-6.4(2)(i) General CUP Review Criteria:

As noted, given this application triggers approval of a conditional use permit (CUP) the following analysis of the provisions found in Sec. 29-6.4(m)(2)(i) and (iii) of the UDC have been performed. The owner has provided their analysis of these criteria (see attached) and the staff's analysis is provided below. The standard criteria are shown in **bold text** followed by staff's response.

(A) The proposed conditional use complies with all standards and provisions in this chapter applicable to the base and overlay zone district where the property is located;

A short-term rental that is not a long-term resident's principal residence is permitted within the R-2 zoning district subject to approval of the requested conditional use permit (CUP). The submitted application (see attached) has illustrated compliance with the minimum regulatory standards established within Sec. 29-3.3(vv).

A site-specific inspection finds that the dwelling is capable of accommodating at least 1 UDC compliant parking spaces within the driveway on the property, which is sufficient to meet code requirements for the requested 2 maximum transient guests.

Additional regulatory review to ensure full compliance with the provision of Sec. 29-3.3(vv) and Chapter 22, Art. 5 (Rental Unit Conservation Law) of the City Code will occur if the CUP is granted prior to issuance of a STR Certificate of Compliance. The subject dwelling is not located within an overlay district that would otherwise prohibit the proposed use of the dwelling as an STR.

(B) The proposed conditional use is consistent with the city's adopted comprehensive plan;

The comprehensive plan does not speak directly to the use of residential dwellings for alternative purposes such as an STR; however, does contain policies, strategies, and actions relating to the topics of livable and sustainable neighborhoods, land use and growth management, and economic development. The adoption of the regulatory provisions governing the use of a residential dwelling for STR purposes is seen as addressing several of these policies, strategies, and actions.

With respect to the goal of creating **livable and sustainable neighborhoods**, approval of the requested CUP would support the mixed-use concepts of Policy # 2, Strategy # 1 (page 144) of the Plan. While this strategy focuses on the concept of creating "nodes" of neighborhood scale commercial and service uses as a high priority, the first "action" within the strategy recommends using planning tools and decision-making to locate small-scale commercial and service businesses adjacent to residential development. STRs have been determined to be a commercial use and offer a "community-wide" service by providing supplemental housing for visitors to Columbia. Staff believes adoption of the STR regulations and their requirement of a CUP are relevant planning and decision-making tools consistent with the intent of this Policy and assist to fulfill the idea of supporting mixed-uses within residential neighborhoods.

With respect to **land use and growth management**, Policy # 3, Strategy # 3 (page 146 of the Plan) would be fulfilled given the regulatory limitations on occupancy and rental nights that are contained within Sec. 29-3.3(vv).

And finally, with respect to **economic development**, Policy # 3, Strategy # 2 (page 149 of the Plan) would be fulfilled by supporting local entrepreneurial ventures. The adopted regulatory provisions governing the use of a residential dwelling for STR purposes were

created with options to allow owners and/or renters the ability to participate in the STR market subject to reasonable regulation. This ability for participation not only supports individual entrepreneurial ventures, but also broader city-wide economic objectives relating to tourism and tourism-related activities.

(C) The proposed conditional use will be in conformance with the character of the adjacent area, within the same zoning district, in which it is located. In making such a determination, consideration may be given to the location, type and height of buildings or structures and the type and extent of landscaping and screening on the site:

The properties surrounding the subject site are mostly improved with smaller, bungalow style, detached single family structures on similar lots. Of the 25 surrounding structures within 185-feet, 9 appear to be owner-occupied and 16 are rental-occupied. The use of the subject dwelling as a short-term rental has not resulted in it being modified structurally to accommodate its current use. The dwelling still appears from the street frontage to be a single-family dwelling. If the requested CUP is approved, the only potentially notable changes in this dwellings character to those surrounding it would be the frequency of occupant turnover within the dwelling. It is worth noting that the transient guest occupancy is half that allowed within the R-2 zoning district.

Based on a search of typical listing platforms such as Airbnb, VRBO, Booking.com, and Furnishedfinders.com the dwelling was not listed as a short-term rental on any of these sites. The applicant has stated as such as well. The applicant notes that the property was previously offered as an STR, but they are unaware of how many days it was offered/occupied as they did not own the property until April of 2025.

The adopted STR regulations include provisions intended to mitigate the negative impacts of STR operations as a commercial use and afford a method of regulatory reporting/ enforcement previously nonexistent within the City's municipal code. Should violations of the regulatory provisions rise to the level requiring action, such action may include, in addition to fines, revocation of the STR Certificate of Compliance following 2 **verified** complaints within a 12-month period.

(D) Adequate access is provided and is designed to prevent traffic hazards and minimize traffic congestion:

The site is accessed from Madison Street via a private driveway. Madison Street is classified as a local residential street in the CATSO Major Roadway Plan. It does not have sidewalks along either side of the street. On street-parking is permitted on both sides of the street.

The site-specific evaluation has found that the existing driveway could support the required minimum 1 on-site/off-street parking spaces necessary accommodate the desired 2 transient guests. The available access is believed sufficient to support future traffic generation of 2 guests without compromising public safety.

(E) Sufficient infrastructure and services exist to support the proposed use, including, but not limited to, adequate utilities, storm drainage, water, sanitary sewer, electricity, and other infrastructure facilities are provided; and

The dwelling is served by sufficient public infrastructure to support its use as an STR. There are no known infrastructure capacity issues associated with the site that would be negatively impacted by approval of the CUP.

(F) The proposed conditional use will not cause significant adverse impacts to surrounding properties.

A CUP allowing the subject dwelling to be used as a 210-night STR with a maximum of 2 transient guests is generally consistent in its intensity of use when compared to adjacent dwellings which are all located within the R-2 district and permit up to 4-unrelated individuals each. The restriction of 2 transient guests may result in less intensity of use when compared to adjacent dwellings. Given the dwelling has operated as an STR previously and there are no code violations that were not resolved, there is no evidence to suggest that such continued usage would create adverse impacts.

If the CUP is approved, potential negative impacts can be mitigated through the adopted regulatory provisions which provides a means by which to report and address those impacts including fines and revocation of the STR Certificate of Compliance.

Sec. 29-6.4(2)(iii) Supplemental STR CUP Review Criteria:

(A) Whether the proposed STR is used for any part of the year by the registrant as a residence. If so, for how long?

The applicant has responded that the dwelling will not be occupied by them as a residence.

(B) Whether or not there are established STRs within three hundred (300) feet of the proposed STR measured in all directions from property lines "as the crow flies."

The owner indicates that they are unaware of other established STRs within 300-feet of the subject dwelling. Staff reviewed the websites of AirBnB, VRBO, Booking.com, and Furnishedfinders.com and could not confirm any additional STR properties within 300-feet.

(C) Whether the proposed registrant has previously operated an STR and if such operation has resulted in a history of complaints, a denied STR certificate of compliance, or revocation of an issued STR certificate of compliance.

The dwelling had previously operated as an STR, but not by the applicant. There have been no complaints or city code violations that were not resolved. Staff's review of city complaint records has not revealed complaints associated with the property in recent years. There were code violations in 2021 that were resolved.

(D) Whether the proposed STR will increase the intensity of the use of the property and cause increased traffic or noise coming from the property.

The owner stated the property was used as an STR previously, and was usually fully booked, so there will be no increased traffic from this request. The applicant is requesting a maximum guest capacity that is less than what is allowed in R-2 zoning district generally.

As a general staff observation, using the subject dwelling for transient accommodations for 210-nights annually with 2 guests could result in increases in activity due to higher occupant turnover; how significant is unknown. The impact is subject to many factors such as dwelling unit desirability, pricing, rental occupancy, etc. The current regulatory structure provides standards allowing for monitoring and mitigation of possible negative outcomes. Since the unit has been used as an STR in previous years with greater stated occupancy than that presently sought, there will likely be a decrease in intensity of use. If it were rented to a family or up to 4 unrelated individuals, as is permissible in the R-2 district, guests could be invited over resulting in similar or equal levels of occupancy at times.

(E) Whether there is support for the establishment of the proposed STR from neighboring property owners.

As of preparing this report, there have not been any written comments submitted with respect to this case.

CONCLUSION

Given the submitted application and the analysis of the criteria stated above, staff supports granting a conditional use permit to allow 910 Madison Street to be operated as a short-term rental for a maximum of 210-nights annually with 2 transient guests. The property is a single-family, detached dwelling that has previously been used as an STR. The use of the dwelling as an STR is not believed to be significantly more intense than what is otherwise be permissible for adjacent dwellings used as long-term rentals within the R-2 district.

Approval of the CUP would grant "legal status" to this use and afford neighbors as well as the City additional regulatory tools to ensure compliance with the adopted standards governing STRs. Authorization of the CUP is not seen as being detrimental to adjacent properties and would fulfill several policies, strategies, and actions of the Columbia Imagined Comprehensive Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve of the CUP to allow 910 Madison Street to be operated as a STR subject to:

- Maximum occupancy permitted within the dwelling shall not exceed 2 transient guests regardless of potential occupancy allowed by the most recently adopted edition of the International Property Maintenance Code (IMPC); and
- 2. A maximum of 210-nights of annual usage

ATTACHMENTS

- Locator maps
- STR Application
- Supplemental "Conditional Accessory/Conditional Use Questions"

HISTORY

Annexation date	1905
Zoning District	R-2 (Two-family Dwelling)
Land Use Plan designation	Neighborhood District
Previous Subdivision/Legal Lot Status	ATKINS SD LOT 23 (legal)

SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Area (acres)	0.11 acres
Topography	Flat
Vegetation/Landscaping	Limited vegetation, some trees
Watershed/Drainage	Flat Branch
Existing structures	Detached SF Home

UTILITIES & SERVICES

All utilities and services provided by the City of Columbia

ACCESS

Madison Street		
Location	Along western edge of property	
Major Roadway Plan	Local Residential	
CIP projects	N/A	
Sidewalk	None	

PARKS & RECREATION

Neighborhood Parks	Worley Street Park, Downtown Optimist Park	
Trails Plan	None	
Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan	None	

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

49 unique "public hearing" letters were distributed with respect this matter. 47 letters were mailed to property owners, occupants and tenants within 185-feet of the subject property, 1 letter was provided to a City-recognized neighborhood association within 1000-feet of the subject property, and 1 letter was provided to the Council Ward representative. All "public hearing" letters were distributed on June 23, 2025. The public hearing ad for this matter was placed in the Tribune on June 24, 2025.

Public Notification Responses	No responses or inquiries
Notified neighborhood association(s)	Ridgeway, Douglass Park
Correspondence received	None

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