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City of Ft Pierce Planning Department
re: Conditional Use for Short Term Dwelling in R3 Zone

Property Address: 820 Atlantic Av, Ft Pierce FL 34950

This 2 bedroom mid-century home is located in the Sample Oaks Historic District on a quiet residential block. Painstakingly restored in every detail, it offers a fascinating glimpse into a Florida long past. Dade Pine floors and paneling, original tile bath, restored original kitchen, and a lovely recreated open air porch contribute to a unique experience of Old Florida.

Antique and wicker furnishings and original wood burning fireplace help to create a welcome retreat for retirees, artists, writers, and spiritual seekers, as well as a charming alternative for visiting scholars and temporary employees.

This seriously derelict property required great effort and extensive restoration work to restore it to its original beauty. Clearly our concern is to attract renters with a sincere appreciation for the history of Ft Pierce. The house is limited to an occupancy of 4, although in most cases, 2 are the norm. There is ample street parking, but also a large attached garage (that can double as a creative workshop).

The property abuts an alley, which is shared by a commercial enterprise, residential properties on either side (one of which is our private residence, the other our property, separately submitted for permit application). Since we reside immediately next door, we are always available to renters and residents alike.

Our location in the heart of the Peacock Arts District gives special relevance to this rental, as the likely guests would serve to accelerate the establishment of cafes, galleries and performing arts venues.

As professional members of the arts community ourselves, we have a very personal interest in the revitalization of the area west of US1.

The permitting of this property will allow for further enhancement of the community and the arts district, as well as drawing attention to the extraordinary historic fabric of Ft Pierce.

Our thanks in advance for your thoughtful consideration!

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