

# Historic Preservation Commission

## Staff Report

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**Meeting Date:** October 14, 2026

**Case #:** HPC-54-26

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| <b>Site Addresses:</b> | 2401 Glendale Gardens  |
| <b>Parcel ID:</b>      | 31-07-26-4-001-023.000 |
| <b>Applicant:</b>      | Richard Jennings       |
| <b>Owner:</b>          | Richard Jennings       |

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| <b>Proposed Work:</b>  | Petition for a Certificate of Appropriateness for the installation of a pool on the property located at 2401 Glendale Gardens in the Glendale Gardens Historic District (Council District 2) |
| <b>Current Zoning:</b> | SFR-1H                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| <b>Historic District:</b>   | Glendale Gardens Historic District        |
| <b>Architectural Style:</b> | Minimal Traditional                       |
| <b>Year Built:</b>          | N/A                                       |
| <b>Contributing:</b>        | Yes                                       |
| <b>Historic Survey:</b>     | Glendale Gardens Historic District Survey |

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Resource 27. 2401 Glendale Gardens. Ca. One story, wood frame minimal traditional with cross gable roof of asphalt shingles, eyelid louvered ventilator, weatherboard siding, wood door, 8/8 and 6/6 double hung sash windows with wooden surrounds and louvered wooden shutters, stoop with engaged roof and metal open rail balustrade.

### DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT:

The petitioner proposes installing a pool in the rear yard of the primary structure. The existing 15' x 24' concrete patio would extend into the proposed pool area, which would be paved with limestone pavers. Stone pavers are an appropriate material for paving per the Design Guidelines.

The pool area would measure approximately 30' x 20' and be located behind the primary structure, adjacent to an existing shed. The proposed 12' x 25' fiberglass pool would be partially surrounded by a raised, approximately 2'-tall planting bed made of stone veneer.

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## **APPLICABLE DESIGN GUIDELINES:**

### **H. Pools, Hot Tubs, and Saunas**

- Pools and hot tubs must meet the requirements of Section 24-107 of the Zoning Ordinance, in addition to the following guidelines:
  - Locate pools to the rear of the main building, and behind the side yard setback of any structure adjacent to a side street or common alleyway.
  - Pools should not disrupt the building and landscape features that contribute to the overall historic character of the district, including trees, gardens, yards, arbors, groundcovers, fences, accessory buildings, patios, terraces and fountains, fish ponds, and significant vistas or views.
  - Pool decking should complement the historic character of the district.
- Saunas should be located to the rear of the main structure, and set back at least five (5) feet from the side yard property line(s).

### **J. Sidewalks, Drives, Parking, and Paving**

#### **1. Sidewalks and Paving**

- Use only materials that have historic precedent in the district, taking care to preserve historic paving materials by saw cutting when inserting new materials or repairing damaged areas.
- Situate, design, and install paving materials of a color and texture and in a manner to be compatible with the historic character of the property and its neighbors.

#### **Examples of Appropriate Materials:**

- Concrete
- Brick or stone pavers
- Gravel or crushed stone
- Other materials as approved by the Commission

#### **Examples of Inappropriate Materials:**

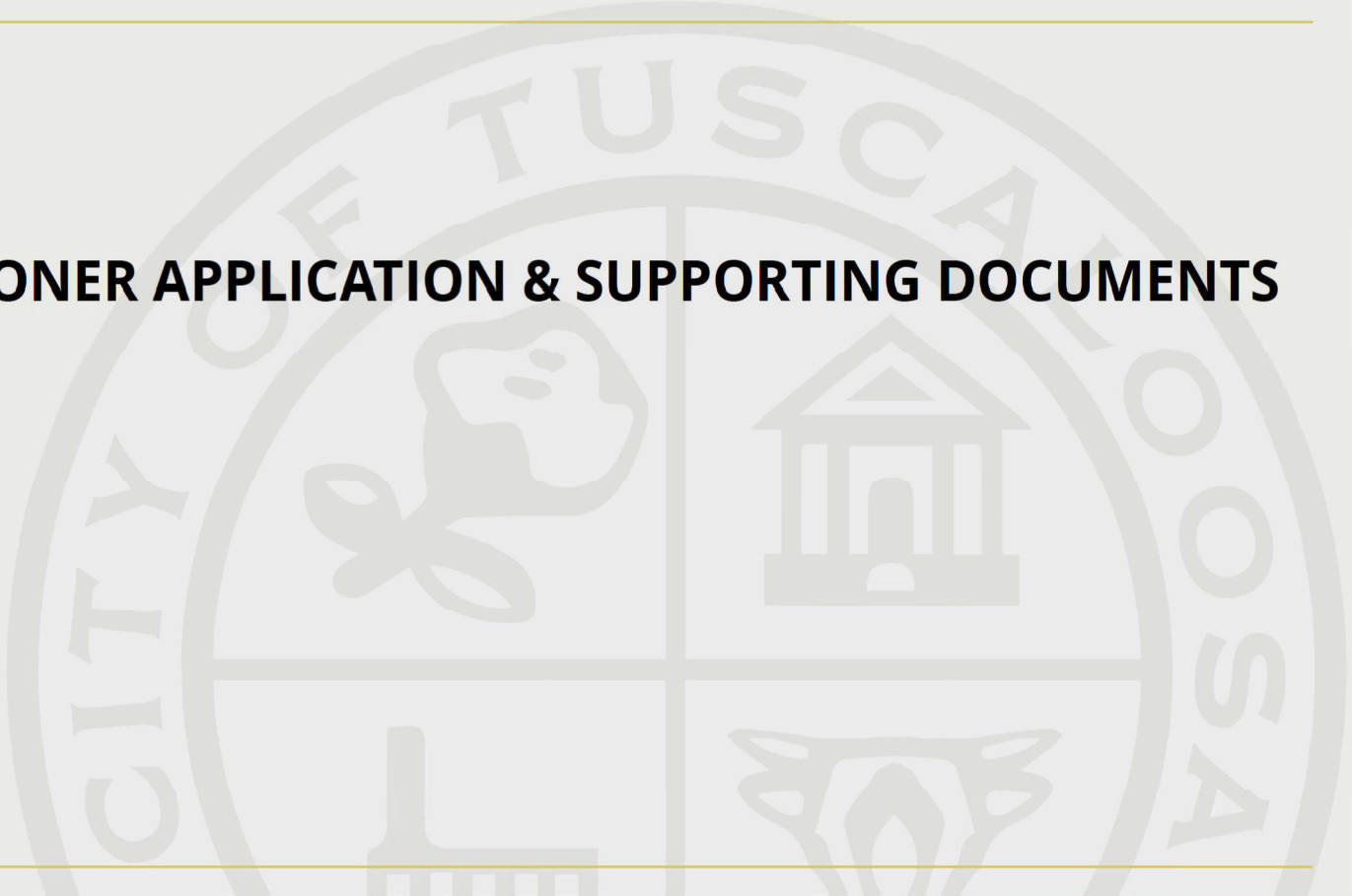
- Asphalt

## **E. Landscaping and Plant Materials**

- Design and install landscape plantings to maintain the overall continuity and aspect of the district. Look at patterns that exist and work with those patterns.
- Maintain and/or enhance the historic plant materials, mindful of the differences in scale and types of landscaping relative to the size, age and use of the buildings, insofar as practicable.
- Specify and locate trees to avoid conflict with or damage to buildings, sidewalks and driveways.
- When appropriate, retain and preserve the building and landscape features that contribute to the overall historic character of the district, including trees, gardens, yards, arbors, groundcovers, fences, accessory buildings, patios, terraces and fountains, fish ponds, and significant vistas or views.
- Retain and preserve the historic relationship between buildings and landscape features on the site. It is not recommended to alter the topography of substantially through grading, filling or excavation.
- Replace seriously diseased or severely damaged trees (as defined by Sec. 24-252 of the Zoning Ordinance) or hedges with new trees or hedges of equal or similar species.
- Large canopy trees (12" dbh) should not be removed unless seriously diseased or severely damaged or if it poses immediate threat to persons or property.

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# **PETITIONER APPLICATION & SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**



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# Certificate of Appropriateness Application

## Property Information:

**Site Address:**

2401 Glendale Gardens, TUSCALOOSA, Alabama 35401

**Historic District:**

Glendale Gardens

**Estimated Cost of Construction:**

80000

**Detailed Description of the Proposed Work:**

Install a pool in the rear yard of the primary structure. The existing 15' x 24' concrete patio would extend into the proposed pool area, which would be paved with limestone pavers. The pool area would measure approximately 30' x 20' and be located behind the primary structure, adjacent to an existing shed. The pool decking will not infringe upon the required setbacks.

**Detailed Description of the Proposed Materials:**

Pool - freeform fiberglass shell with decorative waterline ceramic tile.

Raised planter bed/waterfalls - stacked stone veneer

Pool decking - limestone pavers

## Applicant Information:

**Applicant Name:**

Richard Jennings

**Is the applicant also the property owner?**

Yes

## Supporting Documents:

**Site Plan:**

New Pool Site Plan View.pdf

**Elevation Drawings:****Proposed Materials Documents:**

Jamaica 12 Pool Example.jpg

Limestone Paver Example.jpg

Latham Fiberglass Pool Brochure.pdf

**Additional Documents:**

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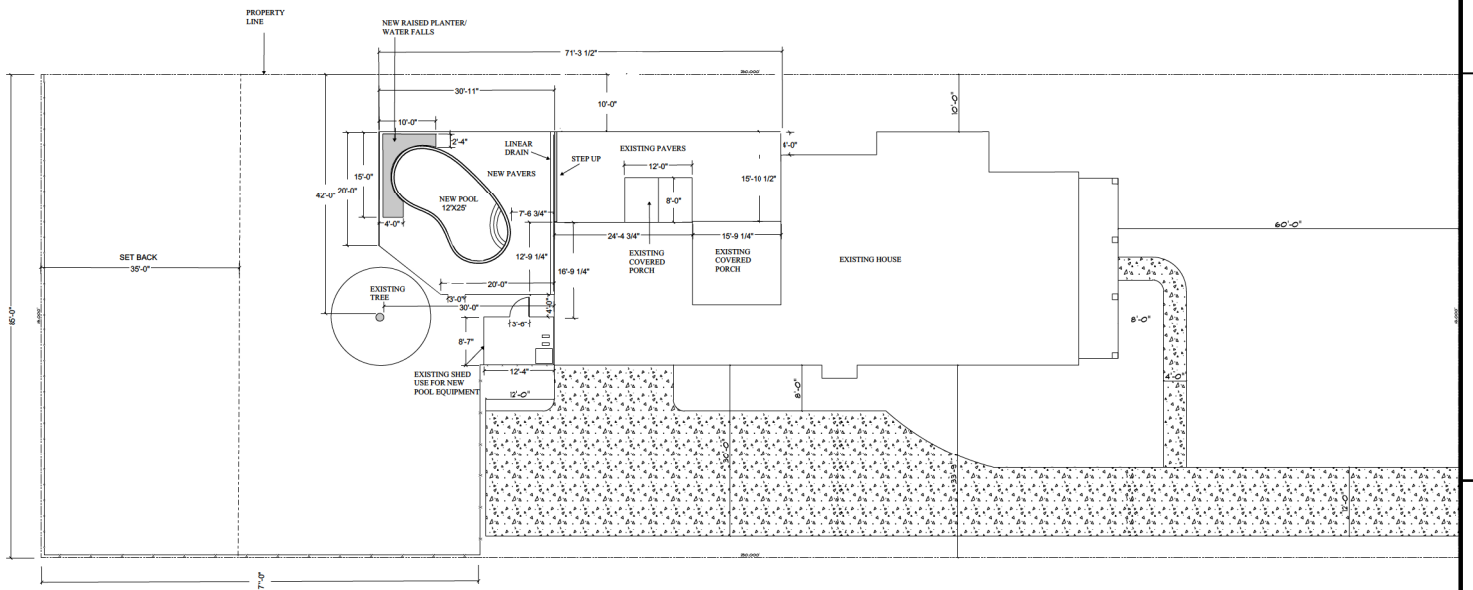
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**Once submitted, a staff member will contact the applicant using the email provided on this form. If more documents are required, the staff member will clarify what is required in that email. By submitting this application, you recognize the city will send public notification and place a sign on the property with information for the public.**

# NEW POOL - PLAN VIEW



DRAWN BY: TOMMY WOODS  
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2842 LAKE CREST DR.  
TUSCALOOSA, AL 35406

JENNINGS - NEW POOL

DATE: 9-4-2026

PROPOSED  
NEW POOL

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KIDNEY SHAPED FIBERGLASS POOL

# Jamaica 12

Formerly: St. Lucia

The Jamaica 12 is simplicity in form, the perfect design for a relaxing float on a hot summer day and fun in the sun with the kids.

[Find a Builder](#)

[Request More Information](#)

## Specs & Features

Below you will discover a number of details relating to this pool shape. Information included ranges from this shape's exact measurements to features that are included and available options to consider. If it's not exactly what you were looking for please make sure to check out our other Similar Models lower in the page.

### Sizes & Specs

**Size:** 12' 3" x 23' 11"

**Depth:** 3' 6" to 5' 6"

**Callons Approx:** 6,000

### Features

#### Swim Up Seating

Swim up seating is the perfect way to enjoy your swimming pool. Submerge yourself partially under the water to effortlessly enjoy your pool. Benches and seats bring a great conversation area into the pool. Most folks just want to relax when they hit the water; these offer a great way to do that. In fact, some of our customers have referred to them as their beverage bench. They enjoy winding down at the end of a long day with their favorite beverage in hand.

#### Slip Resistant Steps

These offer secure entry points into the swimming pool. Both young and old will be using the swimming pool, so it is essential to have a convenient option for entering the pool. All entry steps are easy on the feet and help ensure safety.

#### Lifetime Warranty

Latham products are known for their innovative technical features, many exclusive and patented, that improve product performance and extend product life. We also pay rigorous attention to detail throughout the manufacturing and Quality Assurance process. Because we design and build our products better, we are able to back them better – with the longest, strongest warranties in the business. please visit [YourPoolWarranty.com](#).

#### Crystite Color Technology

Crystite Colors and Crystite Technology were introduced to the swimming pool industry in 1995. Over the past 24 years they have become the fiberglass swimming pool industry's premier color family. This is why Latham offers exclusive color options utilizing this leading edge technology.

#### Fiberglass Laminate Construction

Latham's Fiberglass Pools are the strongest in the industry. With the use of Reinforced Ribbing, Carbon Fiber and Biaxial reinforcements as well as Ceramic Infused Polyester combined with Pure VE Fiberglass, Latham is able to achieve increases the strength/flexural stiffness of our shells by 32%.

#### Tile

Waterline tile and mosaics are a fun and creative way to give your pool a personal touch. We are happy to offer a variety of tile options for your pool. Tile is available on steps, floors and around the perimeter. Be sure to ask your Latham Independent Builder to show you the various options and layouts that are available.

#### Bubblers

Bubblers are the icing on the cake when it comes to having a Water Feature You Can Swin In! These simple built-in features require very little water and are economical to run around the clock. An easy way to create outdoor elegance. Bubblers are available on all Fiberglass swimming pool models, tanning ledges, and fountain pans.

#### Automatic Vacuums

This is the perfect option to make cleaning your Latham Fiberglass Pool effortless. Different options are available so be sure to check with your Latham Independent Builder for the model that is right for you.

#### Cascades

Listen to the intoxicating sounds of waterfalls that originate in the coping of your own Latham Pool. Latham Cascades are available in a variety of sizes and quantities for invigorating and attractive waterfalls that fit the size and landscape of your pool.

#### Spillways

Pick and choose your spillways and spill-overs. Make them as wide or as narrow as you desire. You can also add as many as you want! Why be stuck with an ugly, small pre-made spillway? Go with a Latham Pool & you don't have to!

#### Lighting

Enjoy your Latham Fiberglass Pool and Spa long into the night with added lighting options. Choose from a variety of styles and brands to create your perfect late night getaway.

#### Tanning Ledge

Tanning ledges offer luxury living at its finest. If you are looking to bring home that resort vacation, tanning ledges are a great way to recreate that experience in your backyard. Tanning ledges can vary in depth, our standard for a tanning ledge is 12" from the top of the pool which equates to about 6"-8" of water depth. Outfit the tanning ledge with ledge loungers, bubblers and enjoy your favorite beverage.

*\*Lengths, widths, depths and pool volume may vary up to 3%. Measurements are to widest point on each side of the outside edge. Unless indicated otherwise, pools are non-diving and use of diving equipment is prohibited.*



START YOUR POOL PROJECT

## Contact a Fiberglass Pool Builder Near You

Get connected with local independent builders in the Latham network to start your fiberglass pool project today.

**Find a Local Builder**

## Similar Models

Here are some similar shapes for you to review. They are similar to the one above based on size, shape category and included features. If you still cannot find one that works for you please fill out our request form and let us know and we'll be happy to assist you.

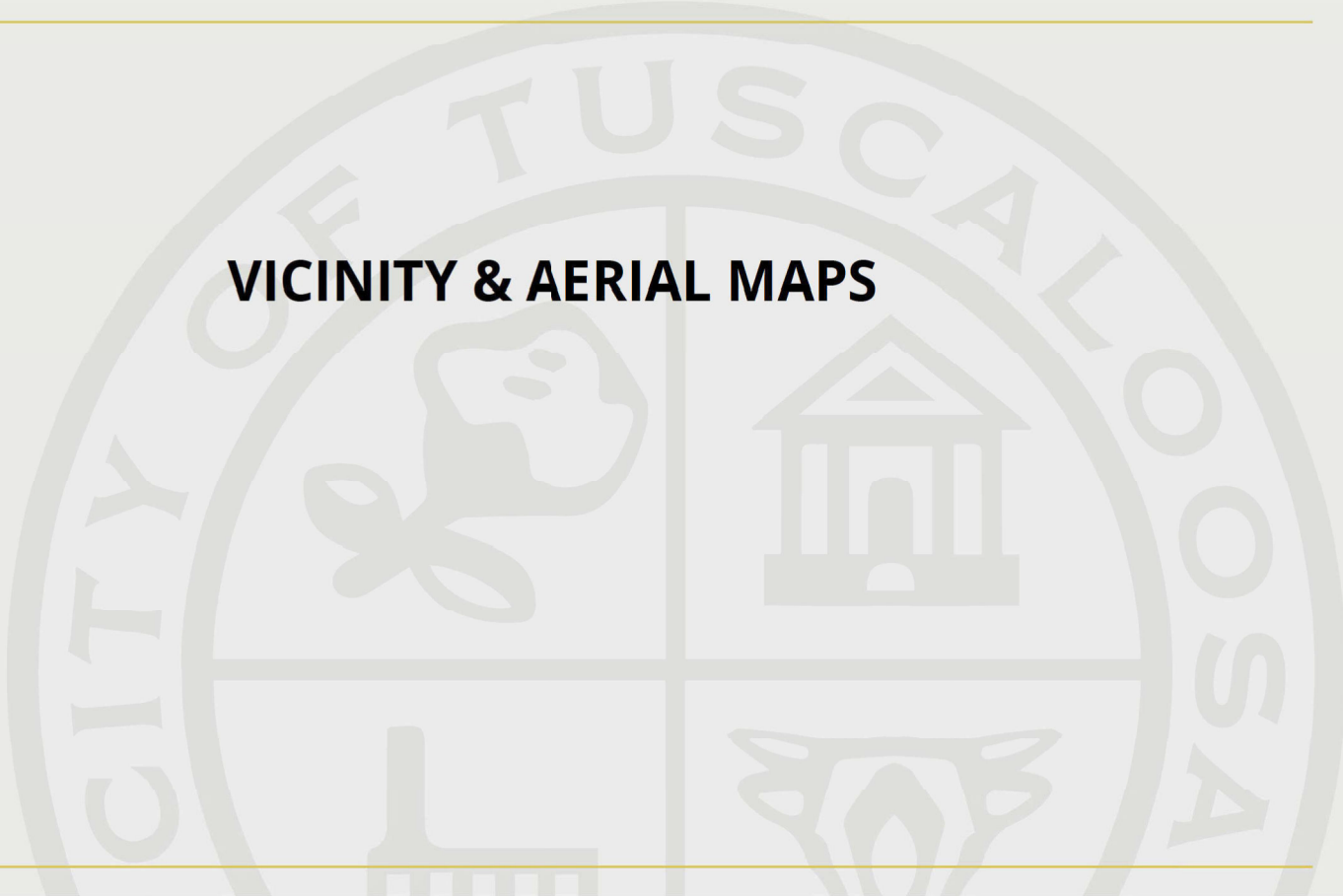






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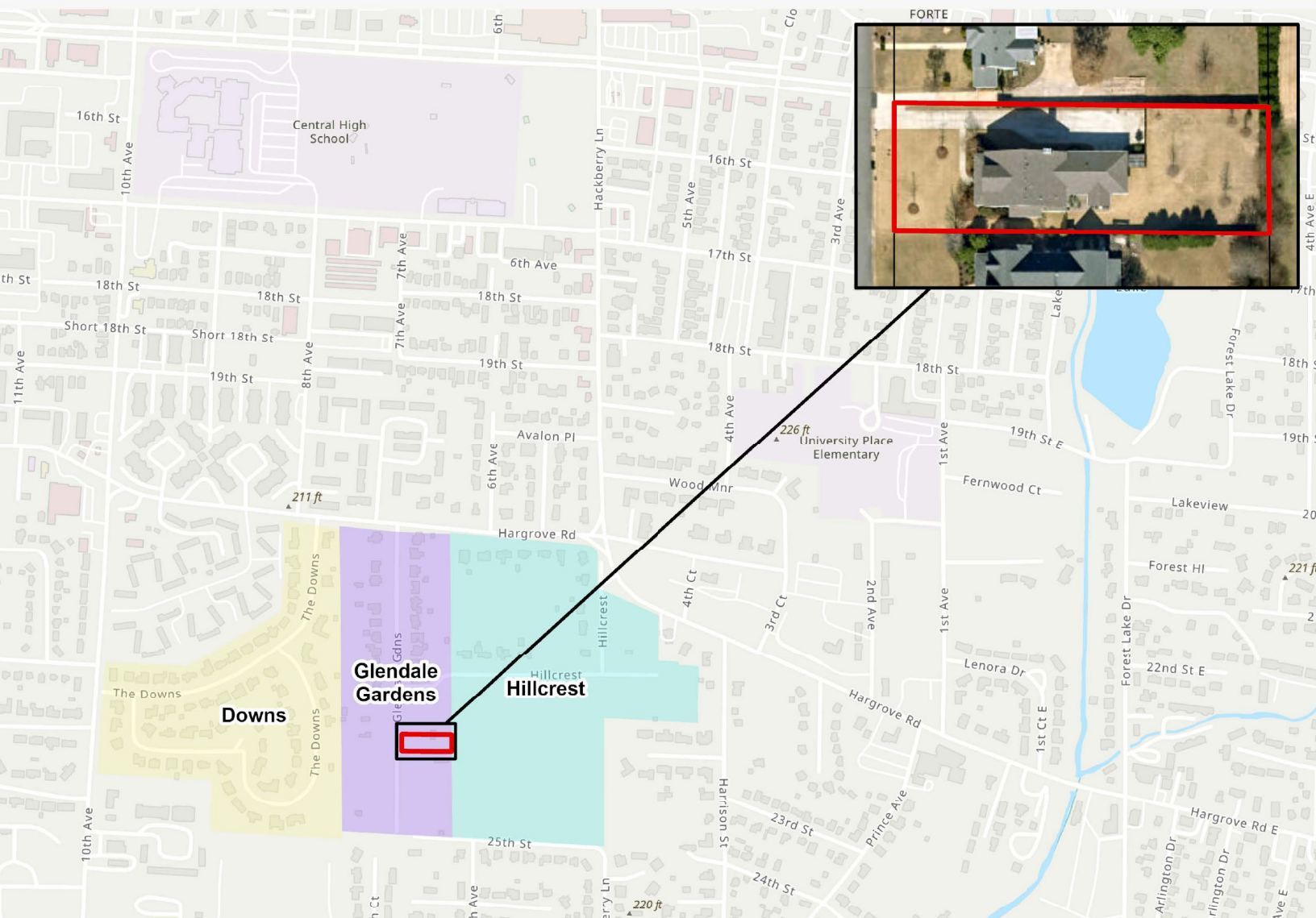
## **VICINITY & AERIAL MAPS**



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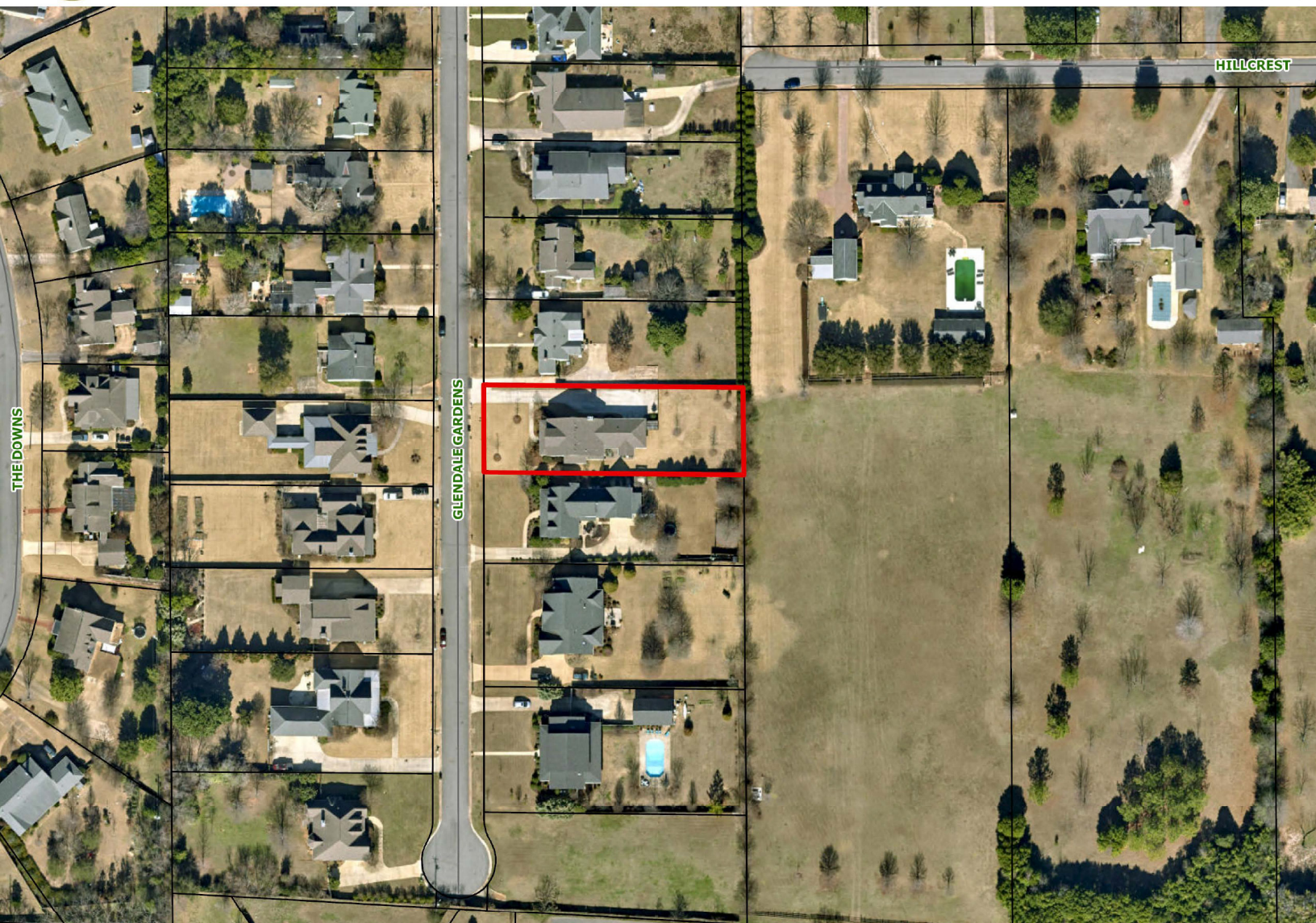


## 2401 Glendale Gardens

1 inch = 115 feet

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## **ADDITIONAL STAFF PHOTOS OF SUBJECT PROPERTY**

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## **STAFF PHOTOS OF ADJACENT PROPERTIES**

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