



CITY OF RICHMOND

Department of Planning & Development Review *Staff Report*

Ord. No. 2021-292 - To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the total amount of \$75,000.00 from The Washington Football Charitable Foundation, Inc. and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Community Facilities' Community Center Enhancements (FY21) - Hotchkiss project in the Culture and Recreation category by \$75,000.00 for the purpose of funding the renovation of outdoor facilities and amenities at Hotchkiss Field Community Center located at 701 East Brookland Park Boulevard.

To: City Planning Commission
From: Land Use Administration
Date: October 18, 2021

PETITIONER

Christopher E. Frelke, Director of Parks and Recreation & Community Facilities

LOCATION

Hotchkiss Community Center

PURPOSE

To authorize the Acting Chief Administrative Officer, on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept and appropriate funds in the amount of \$75,000.00 from the NFL Washington Football Team for renovations of outdoor recreation amenities at Hotchkiss Community Center.

SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATION

This ordinance is to amend the Capital Budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022 for the purpose of appropriating this \$75,000 to the Community Center Enhancement project (107068 – CC Enhancement) in the Culture and Recreation category for Hotchkiss Community Center enhancements and the adoption of this ordinance.

The City of Richmond and the NFL Washington Football Team has had a relationship for the past decade. The team moved their training camp to Richmond in 2013 and utilized the Bon Secours facility through 2019. This year, the Washington Football Team was in Richmond for a limited engagement from July 27 through July 31 to supplement not hosting Training Camp in 2020. With a strong commitment to the city and the fans in the region over the years, the Washington Football Team is continuing its community outreach with this donation to assist in the renovations of Hotchkiss Community Center.

City Administration recommends approval of this request.

FINDINGS OF FACT

SITE DESCRIPTION

Hotchkiss Community Center at 701 East Brookland Park Boulevard.

PROPOSED USE FOR THE PROPERTY

Community Facilities

MASTER PLAN

The City's Richmond 300 Master Plan designates this parcel as Public Open Space which includes public and quasi-public parks, recreation areas, open spaces, and cemeteries. The development style includes passive and active recreation, natural habitats, cemeteries, and large plazas. Designed in a manner to allow access by all modes of transportation, while emphasizing connections to bicycle and pedestrian amenities, such as sidewalks, bike lanes, and shared-use paths. Bike parking and other such amenities are provided as well.

Primary Uses: Open space.

Secondary Uses: Cultural, institutional, and governmental.

ZONING

The zoning for this parcel is R-5 Single-family residential.

SURROUNDING AREA

The area includes primarily single-family residential uses with a mix of commercial uses to the west along Brookland Park Boulevard.

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