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Meeting Minutes - Draft Planning Commission

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

To access the meeting via Microsoft Teams: <https://tinyurl.com/CPC-Feb-20-2024>

Call To Order

Mr. Poole called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call

- Present 6 - * Commissioner Vivek G. Murthy, * Commissioner Burchell Pinnock, * Commissioner Rebecca Rowe, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Rodney Poole, and * Commissioner Lincoln Saunders
- Absent 3 - * Commissioner Samuel Young, * Commissioner Dakia K. Knight, and * Commissioner Andreas Addison

Chair's Comments

Approval of Minutes

Director's Report

Consideration of Continuances and Deletions from Agenda

- Present 5 - * Commissioner Vivek G. Murthy, * Commissioner Burchell Pinnock, * Commissioner Rebecca Rowe, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, and * Commissioner Rodney Poole
- Absent 4 - * Commissioner Samuel Young, * Commissioner Dakia K. Knight, * Commissioner Lincoln Saunders, and * Commissioner Andreas Addison

2. [ORD. 2024-015](#)

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 1200, 1202, 1204, 1206, 1208, 1210, 1212, and 1220 North 26th Street for the purpose of ten single-family attached dwellings and ten garages as an accessory use, upon certain terms and conditions. (7th District)

A motion was made by Commissioner Murthy, seconded by Commissioner Rowe, that this item be continued to the March 5, 2024 meeting of the Planning Commission. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda items were considered by the Commission as a group, and there was a single combined public hearing held for all items listed on the Consent Agenda.

During the public comment period, two people spoke on ORD. 2024-036.

Lucy Dawn Baker spoke in opposition to ORD. 2024-036, citing concerns with the impact on the environment and potential property damage during construction.

Justin Lang expressed concerns with the public outreach process for ORD. 2024-036.

Following the public comment period, a motion was made by Commissioner Murthy, seconded by Commissioner Greenfield, to move item #5 (ORD. 20204-036) to the regular agenda for discussion. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Murthy, seconded by Commissioner Greenfield, that the consent agenda be adopted, as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Aye -- 6 - * Commissioner Vivek G. Murthy, * Commissioner Burchell Pinnock, * Commissioner Rebecca Rowe, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Rodney Poole and * Commissioner Lincoln Saunders

3. [ORD. 2024-006](#) To declare a public necessity for and to authorize the acquisition of the parcel of real property owned by Grove Avenue Partners LLC and located at 10 Belt Boulevard in the city of Richmond for the purpose of providing community services related to homelessness and housing alternatives. (8th District)

This item was recommended for approval.

4. [ORD. 2024-035](#) To authorize the special use of the property known as 6422 Forest Hill Avenue for the purpose of ten single-family detached dwellings fronting on a private street, upon certain terms and conditions. (4th District)

This item was recommended for approval.

6. [ORD. 2024-048](#) To declare a public necessity for and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept certain parcels of real property presently or formerly owned by Enrichmond Foundation and its affiliate Parity LLC, commonly known as East End Cemetery, Evergreen Cemetery, and Forest View Cemetery for the purpose of preserving and maintaining such parcels as historic African-American cemeteries and public greenspaces.

This item was recommended for approval.

7. [UDC 2024-07](#) UDC 2024-07 CONCEPT Plan review for redesigned Blackwell Park located at 1400 Maury Avenue.

This item was approved.

-- Present 6 - * Commissioner Vivek G. Murthy, * Commissioner Burchell Pinnock, * Commissioner Rebecca Rowe, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Rodney Poole, and * Commissioner Lincoln Saunders

-- Absent 3 - * Commissioner Samuel Young, * Commissioner Dakia K. Knight, and * Commissioner Andreas Addison

Regular Agenda

5. [ORD. 2024-036](#) To authorize the special use of the properties known as 2900 Rady Street and 2733 5th Avenue for the purpose of up to 83 permanent

supportive housing units, upon certain terms and conditions. (6th District)

Jimmy Dealaman gave an overview of this request.

Preston Lloyd, representative for the applicant, gave a brief presentation on the request and made himself available to answer any questions members of the Planning Commission may have.

Mr. Pinnock asked if the proposed BMP would meet all required standards. Mr. Lloyd noted that it would.

Mr. Poole reopened the public hearing on this item.

Seeing no one wishing to speak, Mr. Poole closed the public hearing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Murthy, seconded by Commissioner Greenfield, that this item be recommended for approval. The motion passed unanimously.

8. [ORD.
2024-014](#)

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2017 2nd Avenue for the purpose of a two-family detached dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions. (6th District)

Shaianna Trump gave an overview of this request.

Mr. Poole opened the public comment period.

Spring Cambric spoke in opposition to this request, expressing concerns with property values, trash, parking, and property damage during construction.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Mr. Poole closed the public comment period.

Mr. Poole asked the applicant if he had been able to reach out to Ms. Cambric. The applicant noted that he had not been able to yet, but that he would work with Ms. Cambric between now and the council meeting.

During discussion, members of the Planning Commission confirmed that proper public notice had been made for this item and discussed the general lot pattern of the surrounding area.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pinnock, seconded by Commissioner Greenfield, that this item be recommended for approval. The motion passed unanimously.

9. [PDRPRES
2024.010](#)

Zoning Ordinance Rewrite Presentation

Kevin Vonck, Director of Planning and Development Review, gave a presentation on the upcoming zoning ordinance rewrite process.

Members of the Planning Commission asked questions about how the consultant was selected, how the advisory committee will be advertised, and what they should consider when making appointments to the committee.

Upcoming Items

Alyson Oliver, Planning Commission Secretary, gave an overview of actions taken at

the February 12, 2024 City Council Meeting, as well as a summary of what to expect on the March 5, 2024 Planning Commission agenda.

A request was made to place ORD. 2022-205 and CPCR.2022.083 on the March 19, 2024 Planning Commission agenda. These items had previously been continued to the June 4, 2024 meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Murthy, seconded by Commissioner Greenfield, to place ORD. 2022-205 on the March 19, 2024 Planning Commission agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Murthy, seconded by Commissioner Greenfield, to place CPCR.2022.083 on the March 19, 2024 Planning Commission agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Poole adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm.