



CITY OF RICHMOND

PLANNING COMMISSION

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**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND PLANNING COMMISSION**

TO DECLARE AN INTENT TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO  
AMEND THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCESS

WHEREAS, in accordance with §15.2-2286 Code of Virginia, an amendment to the zoning regulations or district maps may be initiated by motion of the City of Richmond Planning Commission provided any such motion or resolution of the Commission proposing an amendment to the regulations or district maps shall state the public purposes therefor; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the general purposes of the Zoning Ordinance, a development review process has been established in order to promote health, sanitation and general welfare; provide for adequate light, air and convenience of access; prevent the overcrowding of land; and facilitate the creation of a convenient, attractive and harmonious community; and

WHEREAS, a majority of such regulations are found in Chapter 30, Article X, Division 4, regarding a review and approval process for a plan of development; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development Review, responsible for administering and enforcing the Zoning Ordinance, concludes such regulations lack clarity, are inconsistently applied within various zoning districts, and thus are difficult to administer and enforce effectively, efficiently, and equitably.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, for the purposes of public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practices, the City of Richmond Planning Commission hereby adopts a resolution of intent to amend the Zoning Ordinance to amend regulations pertaining to the development review process.

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Chair, Planning Commission

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Secretary, Planning Commission