



CITY OF RICHMOND

PLANNING COMMISSION

MAY 21, 2018

MOTION OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND PLANNING COMMISSION

TO DECLARE AN INTENT TO AMEND THE CITY ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF BRINGING THE CITY ZONING ORDINANCE INTO COMPLIANCE WITH AN AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF VIRGINIA IMPOSING LIMITS ON THE ABILITY OF LOCALITIES TO REGULATE THE CONSTRUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES THROUGH ZONING REGULATIONS.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 15.2-2286 of the 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 therefore; and

WHEREAS, good zoning practice dictates that the Zoning Ordinance be amended as required to remain compliant with the Code of Virginia; and


WHEREAS, the proposed amendment would align certain sections of the City Code with the amendment to the Virginia Code adding to Chapter 22 of Title 15.2 an article numbered 7.2 concerning zoning for wireless communications facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Planning Commission hereby declares that the public necessity, convenience, general welfare and good zoning practices of the City require the initiation of an amendment to the City Zoning Ordinance for the purpose of bringing the City Zoning Ordinance into compliance with an amendment to the Code of Virginia imposing limits on the ability of localities to regulate the construction and installation of wireless communications facilities through zoning regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing on the proposed zoning amendment be held by the City Planning Commission prior to City Council action.



Rodney Poole
Chair, City Planning Commission



Matthew Ebinger
Secretary, City Planning Commission