

Staff Report City of Richmond, Virginia



Planning Commission

UDC 2024-14	FINAL Location, Character, and Extent Review Meeting Date: 4/16/2024		
Applicant/Petitioner	Jeffery Feighner, Richmond City Sheriffs Office		
Project Description	UDC 2024-14 FINAL Location, Character, and Extent review for proposed storage building at 1701 Fairfield Way		
Project Location Address: 1701 Fairfield Way Property Owner: CITY OF RICHMOND Sheriffs Department High-Level Details: Construction of prefabricated storage building within existing parking lot to store special purpose vehicles.	TOPPER SHOCKOE VALUEY		
UDC Recommendation	Approval		
Staff Contact	Ray Roakes, Planner, raymond.roakes@rva.gov		
Public Outreach/ Previous Reviews	NA		
Conditions for Approval	NA		

Findings of Fact

Site Description	The site currently includes Richmond City Jail and was recently approved for construction of a new police precinct building and parking garage.	
Scope of Review	The project is subject to location, character, and extent review under section 17.05 and 17.07 of the Richmond City Charter.	
Prior Approvals	NA	
Project Description	The Applicant states: The proposed 60x60 storage building is to provide housing for specialty vehicles for use by the Sheriffs Office. The storage building is needed to reduce weather wear on the vehicles and increase security.	
	The proposed building will be located at the northeast corner of the existing parking lot, adjacent to Fairfield Way. Existing landscaping will be maintained to maximum extent possible. Additional landscaping will be added to screen view from Fairfield Way. Parking spaces will be removed to facilitate both the building and access to the building. The chosen location is ideal for minimizing loss of parking spaces.	
	Staff recommends approval.	

Urban Design Guidelines and Master Plan

	Text	Staff Analysis
Master Plan	NA	Utilitarian structure is needed by the Sheriffs Office and Staff has identified no negative externalities. Landscaping was provided to reduce visual impact.
Urban Design Guidelines	NA	