



City of Richmond

Formal Meeting Minutes

900 East Broad Street
Richmond, VA 23219
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Monday, March 8, 2021

6:00 PM

Council Chamber, 2nd Floor - City Hall
Virtual Meeting

Councilmembers Present

The Honorable Cynthia Newbille, President
The Honorable Ellen Robertson, Vice President
The Honorable Andreas Addison
The Honorable Michael Jones
The Honorable Katherine Jordan
The Honorable Ann-Frances Lambert (early departure)
The Honorable Kristen Larson (late arrival)
The Honorable Stephanie Lynch (late arrival)
The Honorable Reva Trammell

Council President Cynthia Newbille called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and presided.

ELECTRONIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

City Clerk Candice Reid, in accordance with Ordinance No. 2020-093, adopted April 9, 2020, as most recently amended by Ordinance No. 2020-232, adopted December 14, 2020, announced the meeting would be held through electronic communication means. City Clerk Reid stated notice of the meeting was provided to the public through a public information advisory issued on February 23, 2021, and through Legistar on the city website in accordance with usual practice. She also stated members of the public were encouraged to provide comments in writing prior to the meeting and all comments received prior to 10:00 a.m., on Monday, March 8, 2021, were provided to Council members. Ms. Reid indicated that members of the public who signed up to speak and provide comment would be called to speak at the appropriate time.

Invocation was offered by Minister Joy Franklin of Truth Ministries, 4719 West Broad Street, Richmond, VA.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch joined the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Members of Council and the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CITIZEN SPEAKER GUIDELINES

Upon the President's request, Deputy City Clerk RJ Warren provided citizen speaker guidelines.

AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS

There were no awards or presentations.

APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

There were no appointment/reappointment items for consideration.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Guadalupe Blevins addressed Council and stated that the Carytown community was one of the most diverse areas of the city. Ms. Blevins requested that the city work to promote continued development to help ensure growth for businesses in Carytown. Ms. Blevins also stated that the growth of Carytown businesses would lead to greater tax revenue for the city.

Councilor Kristen Larson joined the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Thomas Courtney addressed Council regarding the use of short-term rentals referenced in ORD. 2019-343, adopted June 22, 2020. Mr. Courtney stated he did not believe the intent of the ordinance was being met, and suggested that Council sponsor working sessions to review and implement potential changes to the legislation related to short-term rentals.

AGENDA REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

Councilor Andreas Addison moved to amend the agenda as follows:

ORD. 2020-257

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute appropriate documents releasing the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority and its successors in interest from the reversionary right of the City contained in a certain special warranty deed concerning the property known as 30 West Jackson Street for the purpose of allowing the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority to sell the property for the development of a rental housing project for low-income residents.

To be amended and continued to Monday, March 22, 2021

ORD. 2021-027

To amend Ord. No. 2020-142, adopted Jul. 27, 2020, which authorized the special use of the properties known as 1705, 1707, and 1711 Westover Hills Boulevard, and 4922 New Kent Road for the purpose of retail, office, and commercial uses accessory to an existing church, to allow a sign, upon certain terms and conditions.

To be continued to Monday, March 22, 2021

ORD. 2021-035

To amend City Code §§ 21-67, concerning competitive negotiation for goods, nonprofessional services, insurance, and construction, and 21-68, concerning contracting for professional services by competitive negotiation, for the purpose of modifying the procedures for the publishing of public notices for competitive negotiations.

To be continued to Monday, April 12, 2021

There were no comments or discussion and the **motion to amend the agenda was seconded and unanimously approved.**

CONSENT AGENDA

The following ordinances were considered:

ORD. 2020-261

To amend and reordain City Code §§ 30-420.1, 30-420.1:1, and 30-420.2, concerning permitted uses in the R-73 Multifamily Residential District; 30-426.1, 30-426.1:1, and 30-426.2, concerning permitted uses in the RO-2 Residential-Office District; 30-432.1, concerning permitted uses in the I Institutional District; 30-434.1 concerning permitted uses in the B-1 Neighborhood Business District; 30-436.1, concerning permitted uses in the B-2 Community Business District; 30-438.1 and 30-438.2, concerning permitted uses in the B-3 General Business District; 30-440.1 and 30-440.2, concerning permitted uses in the B-4 Central Business District; 30-450.1, concerning permitted uses in the OS Office-Service District; 30-452.1, concerning permitted principal and accessory uses in the M-1 Light Industrial District; 30-1045.6, concerning specific conditions applicable to particular uses, and 30-1220, concerning certain definitions; to amend ch. 30. art. VI of the City Code by adding therein a new div. 15 (§ § 30-698-30.698.3), concerning specific conditions applicable to particular uses; and to amend ch. 30, art. XII of the City Code by adding therein new sections 30-1220.32:1, 30-1220.84:1, 30-1220.84:2, 30-1220.95:1, 30-1220.95:2, 30-1220.120:1, and 30-1220.122:1. (As Amended)

ORD. 2020-265

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2515 Rear Hanover Avenue for the purpose of a single-family detached dwelling, storage, a parking area, and a community garden, upon certain terms and conditions. (As Amended)

ORD. 2020-266

To authorize the special use of the property known as 3419 2nd Avenue for the purpose of two single-family detached dwellings, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2021-028

To authorize the special use of the properties known as 1031 Fourquare Lane, 1031 Rear Fourquare Lane, and 1101 Fourquare Lane for the purpose of a multifamily development containing up to 56 dwelling units within up to 14 dwellings, community center, leasing office, open space, and a playground, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2021-029

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1518 Pulaski Street for the purpose of a personal fitness business within an accessory building, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2021-030

To authorize the special use of the property known as 1919 Wilmington Avenue for the purpose of no more than one dwelling unit within an accessory building to an existing single-family dwelling, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. 2021-031

To rezone the property known as 2902 North Arthur Ashe Boulevard from the M-2 Heavy Industrial District to the TOD-1 Transit-Oriented Nodal District.

ORD. 2021-032

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$35,650.00 from the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles; and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Police's DMV Traffic Enforcement and Safety Initiative Special Fund by \$35,650.00 for the purpose of funding police traffic enforcement and safety initiatives in the city of Richmond.

ORD. 2021-033

To amend City Code § 21-40, concerning cooperative procurement, for the purpose of modifying the procedures for joint and cooperative procurement.

ORD. 2021-034

To amend City Code § 21-59, concerning contract modification or supplement, for the purpose of providing that no fixed-price contract may be increased by more than 25 percent of the amount of the contract or \$100,000.00, whichever is greater, without written approval by the Chief Administrative Officer before any such modification is made.

ORD. 2021-036

To amend City Code § 21-68, concerning contracting for professional services by competitive negotiation, for the purpose of increasing the threshold for competitive procurement of professional services from \$60,000.00 to \$80,000.00.

Citizens were provided an opportunity to offer comments in writing regarding Consent Agenda items prior to the Formal City Council meeting. All written comments received by the Office of the City Clerk were provided to members of the Council prior to the meeting and are included as an appendix to the March 8, 2021 Formal City Council meeting minutes.

Public Hearing

Jonathan Marcus, on behalf of RVA Coalition of Concerned Civic Associations, spoke regarding ORD. 2020-261, and stated he supported the intent of the proposed ordinance. Mr. Marcus informed Council that he was concerned with the implantation of the ordinance, due to the city's recent hiring freeze. Mr. Marcus also stated that he did not believe the Department of Planning and Development Review had sufficient staff to properly implement ORD. 2020-261, and he requested that Council delay a decision on the ordinance until the staffing issue was addressed.

David Lydiard spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-261, and stated that he believed the proposed ordinance would remove the public from participating in the review of potential emergency shelter developments. Mr. Lydiard also stated that he did not believe neighborhood associations were properly informed about the proposed changes referenced in ORD. 2020-261, and he did not believe the ordinance should be included on Council's Consent Agenda.

Arthur Freeman spoke in opposition to ORD. 2020-261, and stated he was concerned that the public safety and property values of neighborhoods would be negatively impacted by the ordinance.

Acting Chief Administrative Officer Lincoln Saunders stated that Council previously adopted the city's Strategic Plan to End Homelessness, which called for the amending of a zoning ordinance regarding city-wide emergency housing facilities. Mr. Saunders also stated that Council previously adopted RES. 2020-R020, which directed city staff to initiate the process to amend the necessary zoning ordinance to allow for the establishment of emergency housing facilities throughout the city. Mr. Saunders further stated that even though the city had implemented a hiring freeze, city administration provided the Department of Planning and Development Review with the resources necessary to address city needs.

Councilor Ann-Frances Lambert addressed affordable housing and homeless issues in the city, and stated that she appreciated the concerns raised by citizens regarding ORD. 2020-261. Councilor Lambert informed Council she would vote to adopt ORD. 2020-261, because it would provide more housing options for the city's vulnerable population.

Councilor Michael Jones requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2020-261, and stated that he believed the entire city should share the burden of addressing affordable housing and homelessness in the city.

Councilor Stephanie Lynch stated that she appreciated Vice President Ellen Robertson's efforts regarding ORD. 2020-261. Councilor Lynch also stated the proposed ordinance would provide more dignity and compassion to the services provided by the city.

Councilor Katherine Jordan stated that ORD. 2020-261 was needed to help ensure housing security, and she informed members she would vote to adopt the proposed ordinance.

Vice President Ellen Robertson stated that stable housing should be an opportunity for all citizens throughout the city. Vice President Robertson also stated that she hoped Council would look for additional opportunities to address affordable housing as it reviews the city's upcoming proposed Fiscal Year 2022 budget.

Councilor Andreas Addison stated that the city would gain strength through opening access to stable housing throughout the city. Councilor Addison informed members he would vote to adopt the proposed ordinance.

President Cynthia Newbille requested to be added as a co-patron of ORD. 2020-261, and stated that she supported the proposed ordinance, because it would provide inclusive housing options to help address the housing needs of the city.

There were no further comments or discussions and the **Consent Agenda was unanimously adopted.**

REGULAR AGENDA

There were no Regular Agenda items for consideration.

MOTIONS

Councilor Katherine Jordan moved that the ordinance entitled:

ORD. 2020-257

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute appropriate documents releasing the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority and its successors in interest from the reversionary right of the City contained in a certain special warranty deed concerning the property known as 30 West Jackson Street for the purpose of allowing the Richmond Redevelopment and Housing Authority to sell the property for the development of a rental housing project for low-income residents.

be amended and continued to Monday, March 22, 2021, as follows:

Page 1, Line 9

After the word "of", strike the text "a rental housing project for low-income residents" and insert the text "affordable housing"

Page 2, Line 3

After the word "of", strike the text "rental housing for low-income residents" and insert the text "affordable housing"

Page 2, Line 12

After the word "develop", strike the text "rental housing for low-income residents" and insert the text "affordable housing"

Page 3, Line 7

After the word "of", strike the text "rental housing for low-income residents" and insert the text "affordable housing"

The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

There were no amendments or corrections to the meeting minutes of the Master Plan Work Session held on Monday, February 8, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.; Informal and Formal Council Sessions held on Monday, February 22, 2021, at 4:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m., respectively; Special Meeting held on Monday, March 1, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.; and Council approved the minutes as presented.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolutions on Monday, March 22, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2021-064

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to accept funds in the amount of \$1,362,346.00 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and to appropriate the grant funds received to the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Special Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the Department of Housing and Community Development's Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) Special Fund by \$1,362,346.00 for the purpose of funding prevention, preparation, and response activities intended to address the COVID-19 pandemic in the city of Richmond.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(3)(c).

ORD. 2021-065

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the total amount of \$761,422.00 from the Virginia Department of Transportation, and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amounts appropriated to the Department of Public Works' Transportation Projects project in the Transportation category by \$761,422.00 for the purpose of funding resurfacing projects along Bells Road and Belt Boulevard.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, March 15, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-066

To declare surplus and direct the conveyance of a portion of City-owned real estate on Brown's Island, located at the south end of the South 5th Street footbridge and consisting of 2,036.32± square feet, for nominal consideration to the Commonwealth of Virginia for the purpose of facilitating the installation and maintenance of the Emancipation Proclamation and Freedom Monument by the Commonwealth of Virginia, and to repeal certain sections of Ord. No. 2019-277, adopted Nov. 12, 2019.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, March 15, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-067

To grant to the Commonwealth of Virginia a non-exclusive, permanent easement over and across an approximately 22,449.31-square-foot portion of City-owned real estate located on Brown's Island for

the purposes of installing, accessing, and maintaining the Virginia Emancipation Proclamation and Freedom Monument, and to repeal certain sections of Ord. No. 2019-279, adopted Nov. 12, 2019.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, March 15, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-068

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Fourth Amendment to Controlled Public Access Lease Agreement between the City of Richmond and Venture Richmond, Inc. for the purpose of excluding from the "Demised Premises" certain real property, and to repeal section 1 of Ord. No. 2019-278, adopted Nov. 12, 2019.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 16 2021, at 12:00 p.m.

ORD. 2021-069

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for resurfacing the eastbound lanes of Bells Road from their intersection with East Belt Boulevard proceeding west to 300 feet past the first set of railroad tracks.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 12:00 p.m.

ORD. 2021-070

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for resurfacing and installation of Americans with Disabilities Act improvements on the northbound lanes of Belt Boulevard from their intersection with Twyman Road to their intersection with Angela Drive.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 12:00 p.m.

ORD. 2021-071

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for resurfacing and installation of Americans with Disabilities Act improvements on the westbound lanes of Bells Road from their intersection with Twyman Road to their intersection with CSX Transportation, Inc.'s railroad tracks.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 12:00 p.m.

ORD. 2021-072

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Standard Project Administration Agreement between the City of Richmond and the Virginia Department of Transportation to provide funding for resurfacing and Americans with Disabilities Act improvements on the westbound lanes of Bells Road from their intersection with Lynhaven Avenue proceeding east to 100 feet past the first set of railroad tracks.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 12:00 p.m.

ORD. 2021-073

To designate the 2700 block of Berry Road in honor of the late Lt. Ashley Nicole Berry.

Patron: Ms. Trammell

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 12:00 p.m.

RES. 2021-R016

To approve and ratify an amended Charter Agreement of the Richmond Regional Planning District Commission.

Patron: President Newbille

This resolution was introduced and committee referral waived pursuant to Rule VI(B)(2).

RES. 2021-R017

To declare a public necessity to amend ch. 30 of the City Code and to initiate an amendment to the City's zoning ordinance to rezone the properties currently zoned for uses and areas within the B-3 General Business District that are situated north and south of West Broad Street from Interstate Route I-195 west to the City's corporate boundary with Henrico County to the TOD-1 Transit-Oriented Nodal District.

Patron: Mr. Addison

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Land Use, Housing and Transportation Standing Committee meeting on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 12:00 p.m.

RES. 2021-R018

To set the rate of personal property tax relief for qualifying vehicles for the 2021 tax year pursuant to City Code §§ 26-495-26-497.

Patron: Mayor Stoney

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Finance and Economic Development Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, March 18, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.

City Council will hold a public hearing on the following ordinances and resolutions on Monday, April 12, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.:

ORD. 2021-074

To amend Ord. No. 2020-248, adopted Dec. 14, 2020, which authorized the special use of the property known as 3310 East Broad Street for the purpose of a dwelling unit within an existing

accessory building, to authorize a two-family dwelling with an accessory building containing one dwelling unit, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, April 5, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-075

To authorize the special use of the property known as 2410 Ownby Lane for the purpose of a mixed-use building, upon certain terms and conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, April 5, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-076

To rezone the property known as 1001 German School Road from the R-3 Single-Family Residential District to the R-43 Multifamily Residential District (Conditional), upon certain proffered conditions.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, April 5, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

ORD. 2021-077

To rezone the properties known as 600 Commerce Road, 602 Commerce Road, and 606 Commerce Road from the M-2 Heavy Industrial District to the TOD-1 Transit-Oriented Nodal District.

Patron: Mayor Stoney (By Request)

This ordinance was introduced and referred to the Planning Commission meeting on Monday, April 5, 2021, at 1:30 p.m.

RES. 2021-R019

To request that the Chief Administrative Officer cause the development of a digital connectivity map, including both vertical assets and infrastructure owned by the City and of existing fiber networks, for the purpose of developing a strategy to provide universal broadband access across the city of Richmond for all residents.

Patrons: Mr. Addison, Ms. Lynch, Ms. Trammell, Vice President Robertson, Ms. Larson, Ms. Jordan, Mr. Jones and President Newbille

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Governmental Operations Standing Committee meeting on Wednesday, March 24, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

RES. 2021-R020

To approve the revised program outline and budget of the Richmond Public Schools Foundation to use a \$81,451 portion of \$585,000 approved for allocation by Res. No. 2013-R115-122, adopted May 13, 2013, for the purpose of allowing the reallocation of remaining grant funds in the amount of \$81,451.00 from the Innovation and Excellence in Education Special Fund to purchase professional development materials, including the Eureka Digital Suite, for teachers involved in implementing the math curriculum of the school division administered by the School Board of the City of Richmond in alignment with the Dreams4RPS Richmond Public Schools 2018-23 Strategic Plan.

Patron: President Newbille

This resolution was introduced and referred to the Education and Human Services Standing Committee meeting on Thursday, April 1, 2021, at 2:00 p.m.

REPORTS OR ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Members of Council provided reports and announcements regarding respective district meetings and activities.

Councilor Ann-Frances Lambert left the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

CITY CLERK

From: Darnell Pharr
To: [PDR Land Use Admin](#); [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: Re: Ordinance No.2021-028- Special Use Permit for 1031 Fourquarean Lane, 1031 Rear Fourquarean Lane, and 1101 Fourquarean Lane
Date: Thursday, February 25, 2021 9:38:33 AM

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Hello,

I hope this email finds you well. My name is Darnell and I am a resident and own a home on the [REDACTED]. I am writing to express my opposition to the special use permit to have 56 dwelling units, up to 14 dwellings, community center, leasing office, open space, and a playground built. As a resident and local real estate agent, I am highly concerned about the impact to my property value as well as property values in the area. Additionally, I am concerned about the increase in traffic this would cause, and decrease in on street parking.

Thanks for hearing my concerns
Darnell Pharr

From: Patrick Warren
To: [City Clerk's Office](#)
Subject: SUP for 2515 Rear Hanover Ave
Date: Thursday, February 25, 2021 11:11:11 AM

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Dear Ms. Candice Reid & to whom it may concern:

We are the owners of [REDACTED], and are writing to oppose Bob Adam's request for a SUP at 2515 Rear Hanover Ave to develop a new house in the alley. Bob Adams submitted this similar SUP in 2018, which was denied for safety reasons of creating a blind exit from the Hanover / Grove Ave alley for a newly zoned alley apartment. We should do the same today, and investigate why he attempted to bribe FDA zoning officials with free parking spaces in 2018 (I can prove this one) and maybe this time as well.

Please let me know the process works for how we can speak at the 3/8/21 6pm Council meeting to express my concerns below concerning corruption and bribery in the Fan District Association's part in the zoning change approval process for this SUP.

We ask that the city council ask Mr. Adams if he ever offered parking spots or other financial considerations to members of the FDA's zoning committee in exchange for support of this similar SUP in 2018 (or this one in 2021). It will be interesting to see if he accepts responsibility for attempting to bribe public zoning board officials or if chooses to lie to Richmond's city council.

I have emails, multiple witnesses, and other support proving the claims above - as it all came out in the 2018 FDA zoning cmte meeting w 15+ witnesses present that a voting member of the committee planned to accept the private off street parking spots (valued at \$15-20K) from Mr. Adams in the proposed SUP site, after it was approved. The name of FDA zoning cmte member who admitted to taking the parking spots in the 2018 meeting is Mary Davis-Barton. Mr. Adams has displayed a cavalier lack of ethics in how he has pursued this SUP, I hope the city council will ask him about his actions, and what the FDA did in response to the bribery being exposed in 2018. I bet the FDA's answer will be absolutely nothing.

In 2018, City Council rep Katherine Jordan was part of the FDA and sent emails showing she was following this SUP review process the first time it was submitted and denied. Interestingly, as this SUP was re-submitted in 2020 and the FDA filtered the zoom access of who was able to attend the "town hall" to get public feedback, the FDA president refused in writing to comply with the City Ordinance for making important zoning decisions over teleconference / Zoom meetings open to the community.

Ms. Jordan was not helpful to me at all this 2nd time the SUP was submitted, whereas Kim Gray's team was quite helpful to the majority of Fan neighbors who disagreed with Bob Adams plan for alley development in 2018. I hope Ms. Jordan's colleagues will ask her what she knows about the bribery that Mr. Adam's worked into his plan to get the FDA to support his SUP request in 2018.

Bob Adams submitted this similar SUP in 2018, which was denied for safety reasons of creating a blind exit from the Hanover / Grove Ave alley for a newly zoned alley apartment. We should do the same today, and investigate why Mr. Adam's attempted to bribe city zoning officials to get his SUP and what was done to prevent it from happening again. This turned many neighbors against one another, and Adams is an experienced developer knowing exactly what it would do to offer parking spots to FDA zoning cmte members on our block - he simply did not care. He wanted the profits, over people. Please vote to deny Bob Adam's SUP request. His proven lack of ethics make it a hard no - when he asks his neighbors to amend 150 years of zoning we relied on when we purchased our homes -- to build a new house in the alley behind us.

Our best,

Patrick Warren and Margaret Edwards

Patrick W. Warren

Managing Partner

WWM Growth Advisors

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