



Application for Urban Design Committee Review

Department of Planning and Development Review

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Application Type (select one)

Location, Character, & Extent

Section 17.05

Other:

Encroachment

Design Overlay District

Review Type (select one)

Conceptual

Final

Project Information

Submission Date: Sept.19, 2024

Project Name: Belle Isle Nature Exploration Area

Project Address: 1 A Belle Isle, Richmond, VA 23220

Brief Project Description (this is not a replacement for the required detailed narrative):

The Belle Isle Nature Exploration Area is a nature-based play space composed of natural materials to be located on an approximately 60,000 square foot site underneath the Route 1 Bridge. This is a City of Richmond James River Park System project sponsored by the Friends of James River Park.

Applicant Information (a City representative must be the applicant, with an exception for encroachments)

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Phone:

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Submittal Deadlines

All applications and support materials must be filed no later than 21 days prior to the scheduled meeting of the Urban Design Committee (UDC). Please see the schedule on page 3 as actual deadlines are adjusted due to City holidays. **Late or incomplete submissions will be deferred to the next meeting.**

Application

It is important that the applicant discuss the proposal with appropriate City agencies, Zoning Administration staff, and area civic associations and residents prior to filing the application with the UDC. Applications should be emailed to the Urban Design Committee Secretary, Ray Roakes, at Raymond.roakes@rva.gov.

Background

The UDC is an 11 member committee created by City Council in 1968 whose purpose is to advise the City Planning Commission (CPC) on the design of projects on City property or right-of-way. The UDC provides advice of an aesthetic nature in connection with the performance of the duties of the Commission under Sections 17.05, 17.06, and 17.07 of the City Charter. The UDC also advises the Department of Public Works in regards to private encroachments in the public right-of-way.

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