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Meeting Minutes - Draft Planning Commission

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

6:00 PM

5th Floor Conference Room

To access the meeting via Microsoft Teams: <https://bit.ly/CPC-Richmond-2024>

This meeting was held in-person in the 5th Floor Conference Room of City Hall at 900 East Broad Street in Richmond, Virginia 23219.

Call To Order

Commissioner Poole called the regular meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call

After establishing that there was an in-person quorum, Commissioner Rowe requested to participate in the meeting virtually due to an illness. A motion was made by Commissioner Addison, seconded by Commissioner Pinnock, that Commissioner Rowe be permitted to participate in the meeting virtually. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Greenfield also requested to participate in the meeting virtually due to an illness. A motion was made by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Addison, that Commissioner Greenfield be permitted to participate in the meeting virtually. The motion passed unanimously.

-- Present 9 - * Commissioner Burchell Pinnock, * Commissioner Samuel Young, * Commissioner Rebecca Rowe, * Commissioner Dakia K. Knight, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Rodney Poole, * Commissioner Lincoln Saunders, * Commissioner Andreas Addison, and * Commissioner Brian White

Chair's Comments

Commissioner Poole welcomed all who were present.

Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes to approve.

Director's Report

There was no Director's Report.

Consideration of Continuances and Deletions from Agenda

None.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Pinnock, seconded by Commissioner White, that the consent agenda be adopted, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye -- 9 - * Commissioner Burchell Pinnock, * Commissioner Samuel Young, * Commissioner Rebecca Rowe, * Commissioner Dakia K. Knight, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Rodney Poole, * Commissioner Lincoln Saunders, * Commissioner Andreas Addison and * Commissioner Brian White

2. [UDC 2024-39](#) UDC 2024-39 FINAL AMENDMENT Location, Character, Extent review for Phase 1 of the remodeled Blackwell Park located at 1400 Maury Avenue.

This item was approved.

3. [CPCR.2024.023](#) Resolution of the City Planning Commission Approving an amendment to the Final Community Unit Plan for the Stony Point Shopping Center, Map Section E, Stony Point Community Unit Plan Southern Portion (3002 Stony Point Road).

This item was approved.

Regular Agenda

4. [UDC 2024-37](#) UDC 2024-37 FINAL Location, Character, and Extent review of the proposed Diamond District Stadium located at 3001 North Arthur Ashe Boulevard

DCAO Sharon Ebert, along with the project development team, gave an overview of the proposed Diamond District Stadium.

Mr. Poole opened the public comment period.

Councilperson Katherine Jordan, 2nd District, spoke in favor of this request.

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Mr. Poole closed the public comment period.

Following the public comment period, members of the Planning Commission asked general questions about signage design and the LCE Review process.

A motion was made by Commissioner Young, seconded by Commissioner Knight, that this item be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye -- 9 - * Commissioner Burchell Pinnock, * Commissioner Samuel Young, * Commissioner Rebecca Rowe, * Commissioner Dakia K. Knight, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Rodney Poole, * Commissioner Lincoln Saunders, * Commissioner Andreas Addison and * Commissioner Brian White

5. [CPCR.2024.021](#) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND PLANNING COMMISSION TO DECLARE AN INTENT TO AMEND ZONING REGULATIONS SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 30 OF THE RICHMOND CITY CODE REGARDING TOBACCO, NICOTINE, AND HEMP PRODUCT RETAIL SALE LOCATIONS

Kevin Vonck, Director of Planning and Development Review, gave an overview of this proposed Planning Commission Resolution which would enable staff to draft legislation to regulation the location of tobacco, hemp, and nicotine sales.

Mr. Poole opened the public comment period.

Councilperson Katherine Jordan, 2nd District, spoke in favor of this request.

Mr. Poole closed the public comment period.

Members of the Planning Commission requested additional details on plans for public engagement, taxation legislation, and options for regulating the location based on proximity to schools and distance from other similar locations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Saunders, seconded by Commissioner Young, that this City Planning Commission Resolution be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye -- 9 - * Commissioner Burchell Pinnock, * Commissioner Samuel Young, * Commissioner Rebecca Rowe, * Commissioner Dakia K. Knight, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Rodney Poole, * Commissioner Lincoln Saunders, * Commissioner Andreas Addison and * Commissioner Brian White

6. [CPCR.2024.022](#) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND PLANNING COMMISSION TO DECLARE AN INTENT TO AMEND ZONING REGULATIONS SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 30 OF THE RICHMOND CITY CODE REGARDING FEES AND REQUIREMENTS FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

Kevin Vonck, Director of Planning and Development Review, gave an overview of this proposed Planning Commission Resolution to amend certain zoning related fees.

Mr. Poole opened the public comment period.

Seeing no one wishing to speak, Mr. Poole closed the public comment period.

A motion was made by Commissioner White, seconded by Commissioner Knight, that this City Planning Commission Resolution be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

Aye -- 9 - * Commissioner Burchell Pinnock, * Commissioner Samuel Young, * Commissioner Rebecca Rowe, * Commissioner Dakia K. Knight, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Rodney Poole, * Commissioner Lincoln Saunders, * Commissioner Andreas Addison and * Commissioner Brian White

7. [PDRPRES 2024.050](#) Presentation on the Sustainability Design Standards for City Projects

Laura Thomas, Director of the Office of Sustainability, presented an overview of the Sustainability Design Standards for City Projects.

Members of the Planning Commission asked questions pertaining to the applicability of the provisions and the public engagement process.

This PDR Presentation was received

8. [PDRPRES
2024.051](#) Presentation on Richmond Connects: Lighter, Quicker, Cheaper

Kelli Rowan gave an overview of the new Lighter, Quicker, Cheaper project associated with Richmond Connects. There was no discussion.

This PDR Presentation was received

Council Action Update and Upcoming Items

Alyson Oliver, Planning Commission Secretary, gave an overview of items introduced and adopted at the July 22, 2024 and August 8, 2024 City Council Meetings.

Due to a scheduling conflict, there was a request to move the October 15, 2024 Planning Commission meeting to October 22, 2024. A motion was made by Commissioner Pinnock, seconded by Commissioner Knight, that the second October meeting be moved to October 22, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the 5th Floor Conference Room. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Poole adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m