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Meeting Minutes Planning Commission

Monday, September 18, 2017

1:30 PM

5th Floor Conference Room

Call To Order

Mr. Poole called the regular meeting of the Planning Commission to order at 1:34 p.m.

Roll Call

-- Present 9 - * Chair Rodney Poole, * Vice Chair Melvin Law, * Commissioner David Johannas, * Commissioner Selena Cuffee-Glenn, * Commissioner Vivek G. Murthy, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Max Hepp-Buchanan, * Commissioner John Thompson, and * Committee Member Ellen Robertson

Chair's Comments

Mr. Poole welcomed all who were present.

Approval of Minutes

1. [PDRMIN
2017.019](#)

Attachments: [Draft September 5, 2017 Meeting Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Cuffee-Glenn, seconded by Commissioner Murthy, that this PDR Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye -- 8 - * Chair Rodney Poole, * Vice Chair Melvin Law, * Commissioner David Johannas, * Commissioner Selena Cuffee-Glenn, * Commissioner Vivek G. Murthy, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner John Thompson and * Committee Member Ellen Robertson

Abstain -- 1 - * Commissioner Max Hepp-Buchanan

Director's Report

Mr. Olinger announced that Mr. Matthew Ebinger is now serving as the permanent Secretary to the Planning Commission.

- Council Action Update

Mr. Ebinger provided an update on the actions taken by City Council at its September 11, 2017 meeting.

- Update on the Master Plan Update

Ms. Maritza Pechin provided an update on the Master Plan Update.

Consideration of Continuances and Deletions from Agenda

- 2. [ORD. 2017-012](#) To close, to public use and travel, a portion of Northumberland Avenue running from the south line of West Roberts Street to such portion’s southern terminus, consisting of 16,355± square feet, upon certain terms and conditions.

Attachments: [Ord. No. 2017-012 - Withdrawn 20170921](#)
[Staff Report Ord. No. 2017-012](#)
[Map](#)

The applicant requested that this Ordinance be withdrawn. The Ordinance was removed from the Planning Commission agenda.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Vice Chair Law, seconded by Committee Member Robertson, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously, with Commissioner John Thompson abstaining on Item Number 5.

- 3. [ORD. 2017-164](#) To declare that a public necessity exists and to authorize the acquisition by gift, purchase, condemnation, or otherwise of a fee simple interest at the intersection of Forest Hill Avenue and the Powhite Parkway for the purpose of constructing multimodal transportation and drainage improvements along Forest Hill Avenue between its intersection with Hathaway Road and its intersection with the Powhite Parkway.

Attachments: [Ord. No. 2017-164](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Map](#)

This Ordinance was recommended for approval to the City Council.

- 4. [ORD. 2017-165](#) To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept funds in the total amount of \$4,450,000.00 from the Virginia Department of Transportation, and to appropriate the increase to the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Capital Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amounts appropriated to various projects in various categories as set forth on the attachment by \$4,450,000.00 for the purpose of appropriating funding received from the Virginia Department of Transportation’s Fiscal Year 2018 Revenue Sharing Program for various projects.

Attachments: [Ord. No. 2017-165](#)
[Staff Report](#)
[Map](#)

This Ordinance was recommended for approval to the City Council.

5. [UDC 2017-24](#)

- Attachments:** [UDC Report to CPC](#)
[Staff Report to UDC](#)
[Location & Plans](#)

This Location, Character and Extent Item was approved with the recommendations of the Urban Design Committee.

The consent agenda consists of items that appear relatively non-controversial in nature and for which there was no known opposition at the time this agenda was set. The Consent Agenda items will be considered by the Commission as a group, and there will be a single combined staff presentation and a single combined public hearing held for all items listed on the Consent Agenda.

Regular Agenda

6. [UDC 2017-33](#)

- Attachments:** [UDC Report to CPC](#)
[Staff Report to UDC](#)
[DPW Comments](#)
[Location & Plans for UDC](#)
[Revised Location & Plans for CPC](#)
[Letter of Opposition](#)

Mr. Joshua Sun, Mr. Don Summers, and Ms. Alice Massie provided presentations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cuffee-Glenn, seconded by Commissioner Murthy, that this Location, Character and Extent Item be continued to the October 2, 2017 meeting of the Planning Commission to allow the Department of Public Works to review the alternate location of the "Portland Loo" along West Franklin Street. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye --** 9 - * Chair Rodney Poole, * Vice Chair Melvin Law, * Commissioner David Johannas, * Commissioner Selena Cuffee-Glenn, * Commissioner Vivek G. Murthy, * Commissioner Elizabeth Hancock Greenfield, * Commissioner Max Hepp-Buchanan, * Commissioner John Thompson and * Committee Member Ellen Robertson

Upcoming Items

Mr. Ebinger provided an update on upcoming items.

Adjournment

Mr. Poole adjourned the meeting at 2:05 p.m.

All persons attending the meeting are requested to register on the attendance sheets that have been placed on the chairs and are also available at the table by the conference room entrance. Once you have completed an attendance sheet, it should be provided to the Commission staff.

Rodney M. Poole, Chair

Matthew J. Ebinger, Secretary