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Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:30 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Subject: Ames

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Vote in favor of OH amendment to the masterplan

Dear Richmond Planning Commission Members,

I will have trouble getting to you to comment today.

But I hope this letter will be counted

Please vote in favor of the amendment to the master plan (agenda item CPR.2022.094) that designates Oregon Hill as Residential R7.

Oregon Hill's master plan amendment (2022-R033) has already been approved by the unanimous vote of the Richmond City Council.

Within Oregon Hill's R-7 zoning, 99% of the buildings are two-story Residences. Higher buildings will destroy the esthetic character of our neighborhood- especially if our historic buildings are knocked down and replaced with tall cheap looking monstrosities.

Sincerely,

Caroline Cox

430 S. Laurel St.

Richmond VA 23220

From: Joanna Green <joannag558@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:45 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Subject: CPR.2022.094

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Dear Planning Commission members:

Writing as a long-term homeowner and resident of Oregon Hill, I ask you to support the changes to the Richmond 300 plan presented to you in CPR.2022.094.

This resolution supports Oregon Hill's desire to keep our neighborhood the unique, vibrant, and livable place that we love. With the support of Councilmember Stephanie Lynch, CPR.2022.094 was negotiated by the Oregon Hill Neighborhood Association directly with the City Attorney's Office and reflects residents' desire to modify the Richmond 300 plan as it pertains to Oregon Hill. The resolution was unanimously approved by City Council at its June 27, 2022, meeting (RES. 2022-R033).

When the Richmond 300 Plan was presented to the Planning Commission and City Council in 2020, none of the proposed amendments were included. Instead, Council promised Oregon Hill residents that it would ensure the passage of the amendment if the neighborhood would support immediate passage of the plan itself to avoid a delayed launch of Richmond 300. In the 18 months since passage, however, no amendment to Richmond 300 has received a vote.

CPCR 2022.94 is - by design - specific to Oregon Hill, and does not impact business owners (who will move to the Neighborhood Mixed Use category). Most importantly, it respects the wishes of the majority of residents of Oregon Hill, who ask that the existing R7 zoning to be retained by moving the neighborhood to the Residential category.

Our neighborhood has already survived so much - bisection by the Powhite Parkway, encroachment by VCU, the loss of open space to development, massive storm damage, you name it. Through it all the residents have fought to keep Oregon Hill livable, walkable, and welcoming. We negotiated and agreed to this compromise in good faith, and now is the time for you to uphold your part of this agreement. We gave you what you needed. Please show our neighborhood and our neighbors the respect that we all deserve and enact CPR.2022.094.

Sincerely,

Joanna Wilson Green
20-year Oregon Hill homeowner and resident
South Pine Street, Richmond

From: PDR Land Use Admin
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:06 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Golgosky, Nadine M. - PDR
Subject: FW: In support of the Oregon Hill zoning amendment

From: Jonathan Marcus [mailto:jonmarcus59@gmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 13, 2022 10:12 AM
To: PDR Land Use Admin <PDRLandUseAdmin@rva.gov>
Cc: Bryan Clark Green <bryancgreen@gmail.com>; Charles Pool <charles_pool@msn.com>; Lynch, Stephanie A. - City Council Office <Stephanie.Lynch@rva.gov>; Oregon Hill Neighborhood Association <ohnarva@gmail.com>
Subject: In support of the Oregon Hill zoning amendment

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To the Planning Commission:

The Planning Commission should support the amendment to Richmond 300 proposed by the Oregon Hill Neighborhood Association for multiple reasons, including but not limited to the following:

- 1.] City Council voted unanimously in support of the amendment. Attempting to defy the citizens' elected representatives would be detrimental to the Planning Commission's role in the community.
- 2.] Oregon Hill has been reborn as a vital, desirable community with new pride and a newly appreciated aesthetic. We should defer to those who have brought new life to this neighborhood. The residents who have created this new value should determine the zoning of their own community.
- 3.] In my role with the RVA Coalition of Civic Associations, I connect with numerous neighborhood associations in disparate council districts. Everyone with whom I have spoken across the city supports Oregon Hill's zoning amendment. We ask the Planning Commission to support it with us.

Respectfully yours,
Jonathan Marcus
Resident of West Grace Street

From: PDR Land Use Admin
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:07 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Golgosky, Nadine M. - PDR
Subject: FW: Master Plan amendment Res. 2022-R033

From: Diana Detamore [mailto:dianadeta@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2022 1:18 PM
To: PDR Land Use Admin <PDRLandUseAdmin@rva.gov>
Subject: Master Plan amendment Res. 2022-R033

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August 15, 2022

Dear Members of the Richmond Planning Commission:

I urge you to follow City Council's unanimous vote to support the amendment to the master plan that would designate the future land use of the Residential R-7 zoned area of Oregon Hill as Residential.

As you walk through Oregon Hill you will note 99% of the buildings are two story residences with distinctive historical architectural styles. This amendment will ensure two story residential land use designation, discouraging speculation and demolition of homes for four story mixed use dormitories.

I am an Oregon Hill homeowner and have lived "on the Hill" for over twenty five years. The neighborhood has changed dramatically over the years and is now attractive to young professionals starting families. The R-7 zoning will allow Oregon Hill to thrive as a historical residential neighborhood and continue to be a wonderful place to live.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely,
Diana Detamore
417 South Laurel Street
Richmond 23220

From: PDR Land Use Admin
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:07 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Golgosky, Nadine M. - PDR
Subject: FW: Oregon Hill

From: Kim Teeples [mailto:gkateeples@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2022 8:29 AM
To: PDR Land Use Admin <PDRLandUseAdmin@rva.gov>
Subject: Oregon Hill

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Dear Members of the Richmond Planning Commission,
I urge you to support [the common-sense amendment to the master plan \(agenda item CPR.2022.094\)](#) that would designate the future land use of the Residential R-7 zoned area of Oregon Hill as Residential. Oregon Hill's master plan amendment (2022-R033) has already been approved by the unanimous vote of the Richmond City Council. Within Oregon Hill's R-7 zoning, 99% of the buildings are two-story Residences. The two-story Residential future land use designation is appropriate for Oregon Hill and will allow the Oregon Hill neighborhood to continue to thrive.

My husband and I have lived at 318 South Laurel Street since 1990. We raised our two sons here, both attending St. Andrew's School followed by Richmond Public Schools. My grandmother, born in 1901, and my mother, born in 1927 attended Pine Street Baptist Church. I am not opposed to change on principle, and am grateful for many of the changes within the neighborhood. However, if our neighborhood is swallowed by developers intent on maximizing their profits by building apartments much will be lost that cannot be summoned back to life with historical markers. People from other neighborhoods and other cities **Walk** Oregon Hill precisely because of the way it looks and feels. If Oregon Hill looks and feels like everywhere else it will not benefit the citizens of Richmond but only a small number of property developers.

Thank you for your time and consideration. You are welcome to sit on our porch at 318 South Laurel Street anytime.

Sincerely,
Grace Kimberly Teeples

From: PDR Land Use Admin
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:08 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Golgosky, Nadine M. - PDR
Subject: FW: Oregon Hill Master Plan amendment

From: Rex Scudder [mailto:rexscudder@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2022 11:45 PM
To: PDR Land Use Admin <PDRLandUseAdmin@rva.gov>
Subject: Oregon Hill Master Plan amendment

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Dear Members of the Richmond Planning Commission,

I am writing to support the amendment to the Richmond 300 master plan (agenda item CPR.2022.094). This master plan amendment would designate the Residential R-7 zoned area of Oregon Hill with a "Residential" future land use.

The administration promised that it would support amendments to the Richmond 300 master plan. Now that the Richmond City Council has unanimously approved the Oregon Hill master plan amendment (Res. 2022-R033), we urge the Planning Commission to approve the amendment

Within Oregon Hill's R-7 zoning, 99% of the buildings are two-story Residences. The "Residential" future land use designation is appropriate for Oregon Hill.

Thank you for your service and your consideration in this matter,

Rex Scudder, owner and occupant on the 1600 block of west grace street.

From: PDR Land Use Admin
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:10 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Golgosky, Nadine M. - PDR
Subject: FW: Oregon Hill R300

From: John Bolecek [mailto:johnbolecek@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 8:51 AM
To: PDR Land Use Admin <PDRLandUseAdmin@rva.gov>
Subject: Oregon Hill R300

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Dear CPC:

Please keep the following in mind:

You are asking neighbors to accept more density with fewer services and policies that make that density livable:

- 1) We have no regulation of who can store their cars long term on our streets. We have VCU students in the dorms leaving cars here for 2 weeks at a time. We have antique cars that don't run and can't be towed because they don't require inspection. We have numerous student houses with 4 people each with 4 cars all paying taxes in Fairfax County. This is a poor use of a public space. Oregon Hill was left out of the parking studies done 2020 and city staff has collected no data.
- 2) We used to have bus service inside Oregon Hill that was taken away
- 3) We used to have street cleaning 4 times a year. Now it is only once a year we have giant wet leave piles from the street trees all over the sidewalks all spring
- 4) Many of our sidewalks have no curb ramps making it tough for strollers and wheelchairs
- 5) At the end of the day, I don't see how the juice is worth the squeeze? Oregon Hill is pulling its weight in terms of density compared to other places. My family of 4 lives on a 1800 sq st lot and owns 1 car, it's hard to be more space efficient than that. Our neighborhood density is 10k per square mile. The only way to add real density is by tearing down historic houses which is not acceptable.

Thank you,

John Bolecek, on behalf of myself

From: PDR Land Use Admin
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:07 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Golgosky, Nadine M. - PDR
Subject: FW: Oregon Hill

From: Paul [mailto:paulteeple@msn.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2022 8:07 AM
To: PDR Land Use Admin <PDRLandUseAdmin@rva.gov>
Subject: Oregon Hill

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Dear Members of the Richmond Planning Commission,

I urge you to support [the common-sense amendment to the master plan \(agenda item CPCR.2022.094\)](#) that would designate the future land use of the Residential R-7 zoned area of Oregon Hill as Residential. Oregon Hill's master plan amendment (2022-R033) has already been approved by the unanimous vote of the Richmond City Council.

Within Oregon Hill's R-7 zoning, 99% of the buildings are two-story Residences. The two-story Residential future land use designation is appropriate for Oregon Hill and will allow the Oregon Hill neighborhood to continue to thrive.

Thank you for your consideration
Paul Teeple
318 s laurel street

Sent from my iPad

From: PDR Land Use Admin
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:09 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Golgosky, Nadine M. - PDR
Subject: FW: Oregon Hill Land Use Amendment

From: chris kava [mailto:chriskava@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 3:43 AM
To: PDR Land Use Admin <PDRLandUseAdmin@rva.gov>
Subject: Oregon Hill Land Use Amendment

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Dear Members of the Richmond Planning Commission,
I urge you to support the common sense amendment to the master plan ([agenda item CPCR.2022.094](#)) that would designate the future land use of the Residential R-7 zoned area of Oregon Hill as Residential. Oregon Hill's master plan amendment (2022-R033) has already been approved by the unanimous vote of the Richmond City Council.

Within Oregon Hill's R-7 zoning, 99% of the buildings are two-story Residences. The two-story Residential future land use designation is appropriate for Oregon Hill and will allow the Oregon Hill neighborhood to continue to thrive.

Sincerely,
Christopher Kava

329 & 331 S Laurel St
Richmond, VA 23220

From: PDR Land Use Admin
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:06 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Golgosky, Nadine M. - PDR
Subject: FW: Please pass Res. 2022-R033 to make Oregon Hill R7

From: Ola Sopilnik [mailto:sopilnik@hotmail.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 13, 2022 5:45 PM
To: PDR Land Use Admin <PDRLandUseAdmin@rva.gov>
Subject: Please pass Res. 2022-R033 to make Oregon Hill R7

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Please pass Res. 2022-R033 to make Oregon Hill R7

Dear Mr Murthy,

Oregon Hill is a unique and historical neighborhood. We do not need more old houses knocked down so that oversized new buildings can take their place. Inappropriate development is enabled by the present status. We are a residential neighborhood and this should be respected

Res. 2022-R033 was unanimously approved by the City Council on June 27th 2022. I hope you realize that this protects the Oregon Hill that we love, and that you will support it.

Ola Sopilnik Wise
824 China St
Oregon Hill
Richmond

804 873 4288

From: PDR Land Use Admin
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:08 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Golgosky, Nadine M. - PDR
Subject: FW: Richmond 300 Plan - request for changes pertaining to Oregon Hill

From: Amber reitz [mailto:amber.t.reitz@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2022 6:03 PM
To: PDR Land Use Admin <PDRLandUseAdmin@rva.gov>
Cc: Lynch, Stephanie A. - City Council Office <Stephanie.Lynch@rva.gov>; ohnarva@gmail.com
Subject: Richmond 300 Plan - request for changes pertaining to Oregon Hill

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Dear Planning Commission members:
ATTN: Mr. Matthew Ebinger, Staff for the Planning Commission; matthew.ebinger@richmondgov.com

I am writing to ask you to support the changes to the Richmond 300 plan as they pertain to Oregon Hill, as presented in CPCR.2022.094, as unanimously approved by City Council as RES. 2022-R033 on 27 June 2022.

This resolution supports the residents of Oregon Hill's wish to retain the qualities that make our neighborhood a successful place to live and work. This resolution was negotiated by the neighborhood association with the City Attorney's Office, with the support of Councilmember Lynch, and reflects residents' desire to modify the Richmond 300 plan as it pertains to Oregon Hill. This resolution reflects amendments that the neighborhood has requested since the very beginning of the Richmond 300 process, most notably during the Planning Commission hearing at which the plan was accepted.

When the Richmond 300 Plan came before Planning Commission and City Council in 2020, none of the proposed amendments were included in the ordinance's passage. Instead, Council promised to pass the ordinance and then make amendments. It has been 16 months, yet we continue to request the same amendment with no success. Enactment of this resolution is consistent with the pledge Council made to Oregon Hill residents, a pledge that ensured timely passage of the larger Richmond 300 plan without necessitating a return to the Planning Commission. We ask that you uphold your part of this agreement.

I greatly appreciate you enacting CPR.2022.094

Sincerely,
Amber Tennyson Reitz
804-389-5556

Sent from my iPhone

From: Valerie L'Herrou <vlherrou@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:58 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Subject: Fwd: support CPR.2022.094

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Dear Mr Ebinger:

I meant to CC you on the below. Thank you.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Valerie L'Herrou <vlherrou@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Aug 15, 2022 at 9:56 AM
Subject: support CPR.2022.094
To: <PDRLandUseAdmin@rva.gov>

Dear Members of the Planning Commission:

I am a resident homeowner in Oregon Hill. I write in support of CPR.2022.094 (passed unanimously by City Council on 27 June as RES. 2022-R033). The changes contained in this resolution reflect requests that residents of Oregon Hill have made since the inception of the Richmond 300 process. City Council promised to pass the ordinance and then make amendments to it. This is the first amendment to be considered, and is consistent with the pledge Council made to residents to ensure timely passage of the larger Richmond 300 plan without necessitating a return to the Planning Commission. The changes contained in this resolution reflect the wishes of a majority of residents of Oregon Hill.

The changes contained in this resolution are consistent with current R7 zoning, implemented at the request of neighborhood residents to best reflect the wishes of those who live and work here, and to preserve the historic character of the neighborhood.

No businesses operating in portions of the neighborhood zoned B1 or B3 will be affected by these changes; those properties will move to the new Neighborhood Mixed Use category.

The neighborhood has always welcomed and supported business operating in Oregon Hill; the neighborhood issue is with the increased height, not the presence of businesses.

We are not anti-development or anti-business. We support density and multi-family homes, and value the fact that many of the homes in the neighborhood are duplexes and include multiple residents.

I welcome the new business just opening across the street from me and hope to welcome more. However, the Richmond 300 plan's recommendation could destroy the flavor of this, one of Richmond's most unique neighborhoods.

The 300 plan, without this amendment, will incentivize developers to tear down modest historic homes like the one I live in — to build large ugly buildings in a historic residential neighborhood — one that has suffered incursions and from VCU for decades.

The city must create more affordable housing for city residents. So far, the city seems bent on tearing down affordable housing in favor of luxury apartment buildings. Some of these are wonderful, and look great in Scotts Addition and other former industrial and retail neighborhoods. There are empty parking lots downtown that should have more apartments built to make the downtown a living neighborhood. Since I bike or walk to work downtown, I'd love to see more apartment buildings and retail establishments and fewer empty parking lots — the wounds of historic buildings torn down in the past. As I walk, I see cars hurtling past retail establishments that see little foot traffic.

But incentivizing the destruction of an existing historic neighborhood by making it easier to construct towering buildings that would temporarily house VCU students from out of the area, would change the character of this vibrant, thriving, economically diverse neighborhood—and the city.

Most Oregon Hill residents I have spoken to welcome new business and development, as long as it doesn't risk the destruction of a community -- this or any other. Please support this resolution.

thank you,
Valerie L'Herrou
315 S Pine Street
Richmond, Va 23220

From: Bryan Clark Green <bryancgreen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 9:15 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Subject: Support for CPR.2022.094

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Dear Planning Commission members:

As a long-term resident of Oregon Hill, and as the President of the Oregon Hill Neighborhood Association, I am writing to ask you to support the changes to the Richmond 300 plan presented to you in CPR.2022.094.

This resolution, unanimously approved by City Council at its June 27, 2022, meeting as RES. 2022-R033, supports Oregon Hill's desire to keep our neighborhood the unique, vibrant, and livable place that we love. With the support of Councilmember Stephanie Lynch, CPR.2022.094 was negotiated by the Oregon Hill Neighborhood Association directly with the City Attorney's Office and reflects residents' desire to modify the Richmond 300 plan as it pertains to Oregon Hill. We have requested these amendments on several occasions throughout the Richmond 300 process, including during the Planning Commission hearing at which the plan was accepted.

When the Richmond 300 Plan was presented to the Planning Commission and City Council in 2020, none of the proposed amendments were included. Instead, Council promised Oregon Hill residents that it would ensure the passage of the amendment if the neighborhood would support immediate passage of the plan itself, so that enactment of Richmond 300 would not be delayed. It has been 18 months, however, and to date, not a single Amendment to Richmond 300 received a vote. We negotiated and agreed to this compromise in good faith. Now is the time for you to uphold your part of this agreement.

CPCR 2022.94 is closely and carefully calibrated, does not impact business owners (who will move to the Neighborhood Mixed Use category), and respects the wishes of the majority of residents of Oregon Hill, who wish their existing R7 zoning to be retained by moving the neighborhood to the Residential category.

Why shouldn't residents have a voice in the land use category to which they are assigned?

We have done what was asked of us. Please respect the wishes of Oregon Hill residents. Enact CPR.2022.094.

Sincerely,
Bryan Clark Green
President, Oregon Hill Neighborhood Association
South Pine Street, Richmond

Bryan Clark Green
420 South Pine Street
Richmond, VA 23220
bryancgreen@gmail.com

From: Danny Saggese <daaasaggese@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, August 15, 2022 11:29 AM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Lynch, Stephanie A. - City Council Office; Oregon Hill Neighborhood Association
Subject: Support for enacting CPR.2022.094

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I greatly appreciate you enacting CPR.2022.094

Sincerely,

Daniel Joseph Saggese
605 Spring Street, Apt. C
Richmond VA 23220
804-840-4259

Cc:
Honorable Stephanie A. Lynch, 5th Ward Council member

Oregon Hill Neighborhood Association

From: Martha Culpepper <marth@marthaculpepper.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 14, 2022 6:33 PM
To: Ebinger, Matthew J. - PDR
Cc: Martha Culpepper
Subject: stephanie.lynch@richmondgov.com ohnarva@gmail.com

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It is important that promises be met at this time in our history as a city, so many times in the past the citizens have been ignored and or told that the powers that be are listening and are sincere in their intent toward this neighborhood. I have attended many of the meetings at the library in the beginning of the process and through the first two years and felt the committee was sincere but time has revealed the opposite.

Keeping Oregon Hill as a neighborhood with many fascinating citizens, such a poetic mixture of people with such diverse lives and interest with one common link a love for this spot on earth. A spot where we feel at home and feel safe with architecture and a street atmosphere that feeds our highly individualistic souls.

I greatly appreciate you enacting CPR.2022.094

Sincerely,
Martha Culpepper
Interior Designer, Artist