DEPARTMENT OF
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REVIEW

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

RESOLUTION 2024-003
MOTION 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 FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES: ALIGNMENT WITH STATE LAW AND REGULATIONS; CORRECTION OF MISTAKES IN RECENT AMENDMENTS TO ZONING REGULATIONS; REMOVAL OF UNINTENTIONAL COMPLICATIONS TO DEVELOPMENT OF PERMITTED USES; AND TO ADDRESS CHANGING CONDITIONS.

WHEREAS, in accordance with §17.10 of the Charter of the City of Richmond, the City Council has adopted a comprehensive zoning ordinance (the "Ordinance") to regulate the use of land, buildings, and structures in a manner consistent with future land uses identified in the Richmond 300 master plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Richmond City Planning Commission from time to time to prepare and submit to the Council such changes in or revisions of the City's comprehensive zoning plan as changing conditions may make necessary (Richmond Charter §17.13); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 15.2-2286 of the Code of Virginia (1950), an amendment to Ordinance regulations may be initiated by motion of the Richmond City Planning Commission, provided that such motion shall state certain public purposes therefor; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable for Ordinance regulations and the terminology thereof to be consistent with recent changes to the Code of Virginia and the Virginia Administrative Code; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to correct mistakes in certain recently amended Ordinance regulations by adjusting cross-references, words, and phrases to align the meaning of such regulations with the original intent of the amendments thereto; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to reword certain Ordinance regulations to address changing conditions and to reword other Ordinance regulations that, as applied, have resulted in unintended complications to the development of permitted uses;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, for the purposes of public necessity, convenience, general welfare and good zoning practices, the City of Richmond Planning Commission hereby initiates a package of amendments to certain Ordinance regulations for the following purposes: alignment with state law and regulations; correction of mistakes in recent Ordinance amendments; removal of unintentional complications to development of permitted uses; and to address changing conditions.

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