

MOTION OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND PLANNING COMMISSION

TO DECLARE AN INTENT TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF AMENDING THE B-5 CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PERMITTED PRINCIPAL USES AND PRIORITY STREETS

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 15.2-2286 of the Code of Virginia an amendment to the zoning regulations or district maps may be initiated by motion of the City of Richmond Planning Commission provided any such motion or resolution of the Commission proposing an amendment to the regulations or district maps shall state the public purposes therefore; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission has adopted the Downtown Plan, which, among other things, provides detailed descriptions of future land use for the area; and

WHEREAS, the permitted principal uses of zoning districts within the zoning ordinance establish compatible land uses; and

WHEREAS, community support for the proposed zoning amendment is achieved through public outreach and citizen participation; and

WHEREAS, good zoning practice dictates that the comprehensive zoning plan be amended as required to reflect current conditions and trends in land use; and

WHEREAS, the purposes of zoning cited in the Code of Virginia include facilitating the creation of a convenient, attractive and harmonious community, encouraging economic development and enlarging the tax base, and providing for public safety and preventing congestion in the streets;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Planning Commission hereby concludes that an amendment to the zoning ordinance should be drafted for the purpose of including additional permitted principal uses and priority streets in the B-5 Central Business District.

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