

October 15, 2018

RESOLUTION #2018.086 MOTION OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND PLANNING COMMISSION

TO DECLARE AN INTENT TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING A PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT OVERLAY DISTRICT IN MONROE WARD, BOUNDED BY BELVIDERE TO THE WEST, THE DOWNTOWN EXPRESSWAY TO THE SOUTH, BROAD STREET TO THE NORTH, AND NINTH STREET TO THE EAST.

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 Pulse Corridor Plan, which, among other things, provides building design recommendations focused on six form-based design principles; and

WHEREAS, Plan of Development Overlay Districts are enabled by Section 30-950 of the City of Richmond Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, City Planning staff has carefully considered the best course to accommodate vigorous growth and development pressure while protecting the historic character of Monroe Ward; 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 district maps should be drafted for the purpose of rezoning certain properties in Monroe Ward, bounded by Belvidere to the West, The Downtown Expressway to the South, 4th and 1st Streets to the East, and to the North by the alley between Grace and Franklin Streets.

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