



Application for **SPECIAL USE PERMIT**

Department of Planning and Development Review  
Land Use Administration Division  
900 E. Broad Street, Room 511  
Richmond, Virginia 23219  
(804) 646-6304  
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SUP-034014-2018

Application is hereby submitted for: (check one)

- special use permit, new**
- special use permit, plan amendment**
- special use permit, text only amendment**

**Project Name/Location**

Property Address: 1204 North 30th Street Date: April 18, 2018  
 Tax Map #: E0000565012 Fee: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total area of affected site in acres: 0.297 acres

(See **page 6** for fee schedule, please make check payable to the "City of Richmond")

**Zoning**

Current Zoning: R-6 Single-Family Attached Residential

Existing Use: Vacant

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LAND USE ADMINISTRATION

**Proposed Use**

(Please include a detailed description of the proposed use in the required applicant's report)

Four Two-Family Attached Dwellings

Existing Use: Vacant

Is this property subject to any previous land use cases?

Yes

No

If Yes, please list the Ordinance Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant/Contact Person:** Mark Baker

Company: Baker Development Resources

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City: Richmond State: VA Zip Code: 23219

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**Property Owner:** EVOLVE HLD, LLC

If Business Entity, name and title of authorized signee: Daniil Kleyman

(The person or persons executing or attesting the execution of this Application on behalf of the Company certifies that he or she has or have been duly authorized and empowered to so execute or attest.)

Mailing Address: 3420 Pump Road, #169

City: Richmond State: VA Zip Code: 23233

Telephone: ( ) Fax: ( )

Email: dvk5f@yahoo.com

Property Owner Signature: Daniil V. Kleyman

The names, addresses, telephone numbers and signatures of all owners of the property are required. Please attach additional sheets as needed. If a legal representative signs for a property owner, please attach an executed power of attorney. **Faxed or photocopied signatures will not be accepted.**

**NOTE:** Please attach the required plans, checklist, and a check for the application fee (see Filing Procedures for special use permits)

# APPLICANT'S REPORT

*April 18, 2018*

*Special Use Permit Request  
1204 North 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Richmond, Virginia  
Map Reference Number: E000-0565/012*

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Submitted to:	<b>City of Richmond</b> Department of Planning and Development Review Land Use Administration 900 East Broad Street, Suite 511 Richmond, Virginia 23219
Submitted by:	<b>Baker Development Resources</b> 11 South 12 <sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 500 Richmond, Virginia 23219

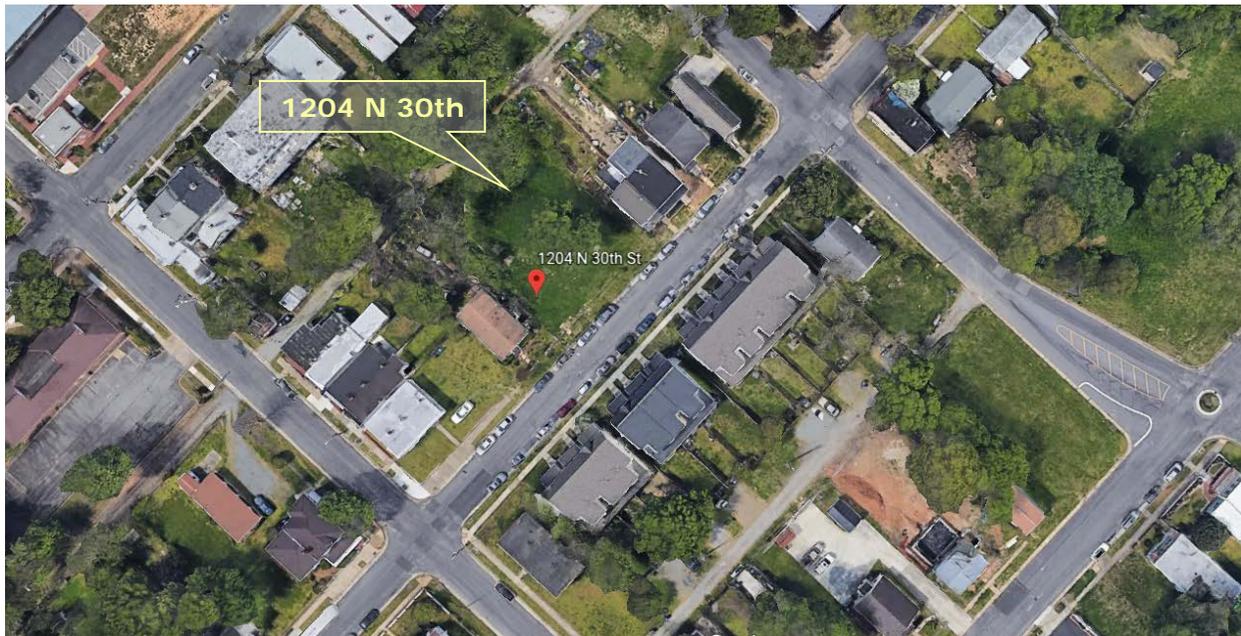
## Introduction

The property owner is requesting a special use permit (SUP) for 1204 North 30<sup>th</sup> Street (“the Property”). The SUP would authorize the construction of four two-family attached dwellings configured as two attached pairs, some of the features of which do not conform to the underlying R-6 Single-Family Attached Residential district zoning requirements applicable to the Property.

## Existing Conditions

### SITE DESCRIPTION AND EXISTING LAND USE

The subject property is located on the west side of North 30<sup>th</sup> Street between R and S Streets. The subject property is referenced by the City Assessor as tax parcel E000-0565/012. The Property is a vacant lot that is roughly 97’ wide by 132’ in depth and contains approximately 12,925 square feet of lot area. The lot is relatively flat and is afforded access in the rear by means of a north-south alley.



The properties to the north, west and south are generally developed with single family detached dwellings. Further to the west, across N 29<sup>th</sup> Street lie multi-family dwellings within the Beckstoffer's Mill development. A medical office building authorized by a special use permit is located to the southwest across R Street. To the east, properties are developed with single-family attached dwellings that were authorized by a special use permit, a single family detached dwelling and a three-unit multi-family dwelling.

## **EXISTING ZONING**

The Property is zoned R-6 Single-Family Attached, which permits the proposed two-family Attached dwelling use. The surrounding properties are also zoned R-6 with properties further to the west, across 29<sup>th</sup> Street being zoned R-63 Multi-Family Urban Residential.

## **MASTER PLAN DESIGNATION**

The Master Plan recommends "Single-Family (Medium Density)" for the Property. The Master Plan describes this land use category as follows: "Primary uses are single-family and two-family dwellings, both detached and attached...Typical zoning classifications that may accommodate this land use category: R-5A, R-6 and R-7." There are also a variety of general housing goals contained in the Master Plan Neighborhoods and Housing chapter that are applicable to the request. These goals include, among other things, recognition of the need for the continued creation of market rate rental housing and a desire for neighborhoods to provide a variety of housing choices while remaining culturally and economically diverse.

# **Proposal**

## **PROJECT SUMMARY**

The proposed development includes the construction of four two-family attached dwellings on individual lots with accessory parking.

## **PURPOSE OF REQUEST**

The Property consists of a single lot of record that is exceptionally large for the vicinity. The Property has a lot width of roughly 97' and contains approximately 12,925 square feet of lot area. According to the 1905 Sanborn Map, the Property was historically configured as five lots. Consistent with that lot pattern, the owner would like to subdivide the Property into a total of four lots and construct four two-family attached dwellings. The R-6 district permits the two-family Attached dwellings that lawfully exist as of the effective date of the zoning ordinance. This request contemplates the new construction of two-family attached dwellings and several feature requirements applicable to two-family attached dwellings are not met. Therefore, an SUP is required in order to permit the development.

Subdivision of the Property into four lots would result in lot widths of roughly 24' and lot areas of approximately 3,230 square feet. The R-6 district would require a lot width of 50' and lot area of 6,000 Square feet of lot area for the two-family dwelling use. The four new two-family attached dwellings would meet all other applicable R-6 district requirements except the requirement for a 10' side yard at the end of a series of dwellings.

The proposed lot widths and areas are compatible with other lots in the vicinity and allow for the efficient use of the Property. They are in fact larger than the original lots configured on the Property. Based on the historic lot pattern, the majority of lots in the vicinity are nonconforming with regard to lot area and lot width or, in the case of the single-family attached dwellings across 30th street, were authorized by SUP. The proposed side yards for the dwellings exceed setbacks commonly seen in the area. The 10' side yard that would be required by the R-6 district is inconsistent with the neighborhood character. As proposed the dwellings would meet the requirements of the R-8 district as well as the nearby R-63 district

and could be built by right under those classifications. The R-8 and R-63 district requirements for attached dwellings are more consistent with the existing lot pattern and the character of the area than those of the R-6 district.

In exchange for the SUP, the intent of this request is to ensure a high-quality market rate infill development. The overall project would be appropriately dense and efficient. It would be consistent with the use permitted by-right by the underlying zoning. At the same time, it would remain respectful to the historic lot pattern in the vicinity thereby remaining consistent with the predominant character of the area. Finally, the quality assurances conditioned through the SUP would guarantee a higher quality development than might otherwise be developed by right.

## **PROJECT DETAILS**

The four two-family attached dwellings would be two stories in height. The proposed buildings are configured as two sets of attached row homes and are intended to be consistent with other residential buildings in the vicinity in terms of scale and character. Each building would contain 2,342 square feet of floor area. The 8 individual dwelling units would be configured as first and second floor flats with 1,157 to 1,185 square feet of floor area, two bedrooms, and two baths. The dwelling floor plans are spacious and modern with open living areas

The buildings would be clad in cementitious lap siding in order to ensure quality and consistency with many other dwellings in the vicinity. A full-width front porch and full width upper and lower rear porches are proposed and would provide ample usable outdoor area. Ten parking spaces are proposed for the 8 dwellings. Parking spaces would be located to the rear of the dwellings and accessed by the east-west alley.

## **Findings of Fact**

The following are factors indicted in Section 17.11 of the Charter and Section 114-1050.1 of the Zoning Ordinance relative to the approval of special use permits by City Council. The proposed special use permit will not:

- ***Be detrimental to the safety, health, morals and general welfare of the community involved.***

The proposed special use permit will not impact the safety, health, morals and general welfare of the nearby neighborhoods.

- ***Tend to create congestion in streets, roads, alleys and other public ways and places in the area involved.***

The proposed special use permit will not result in significant traffic impacts to nearby residential neighborhoods. The negligible traffic generation and 10 off street parking spaces for the 8 dwelling units will create no congestion on streets, roads, alleys or any other public right of way.

- ***Create hazards from fire, panic or other dangers.***

The property will be developed in a manner consistent with the requirements of the building code and in accordance with the requirements of Fire and Emergency Services. The City's codes applicable to this development are designed to eliminate such hazards.

- ***Tend to overcrowding of land and cause an undue concentration of population.***

The proposed special use permit will not tend to over crowd the land or create an undue concentration of land.

- ***Adversely affect or interfere with public or private schools, parks, playgrounds, water supplies, sewage disposal, transportation or other public requirements, conveniences and improvements.***

The special use permit would not adversely affect the above referenced City services. To the contrary, the proposal would provide positive fiscal (tax) benefits that would enhance the City's ability to provide these services to the proposed development. This benefit can be attributed to the investment in the property coupled with the anticipated absence of school-age children residing within the dwellings, who require substantial City spending in schools and playground facilities.

- ***Interfere with adequate light and air.***

The light and air available to the subject and adjacent properties will not be affected. The proposed buildings are of compatible massing and spacing to the existing in the vicinity, which are in many cases attached, and will not interfere with the provision of adequate light and air to the adjacent buildings.

## Summary

In summary we are enthusiastically seeking approval for the construction of the proposed two-family attached dwellings. The buildings have been thoughtfully designed in order to provide appropriate, high quality market rate infill development. The request offers compatibility with the City's Master Plan in terms of use. The request would contribute to the ongoing revitalization of the neighborhood, upgrading the Property while maintaining a desirable variation in housing style and density in the vicinity and providing for continued economic diversity in housing options within the neighborhood.

The proposed development would respectfully replace missing teeth in the existing urban fabric and help encourage a pedestrian friendly urban streetscape in the block. This would contribute to the vibrancy of the block through the provision of a uniform street front and the addition street life in the form of additional pedestrian traffic and street-oriented full width front porches. An appropriate urban form coupled with the provision of accessory parking to the rear of the property would give the property the much-desired traditional neighborhood design. The provision of off street parking spaces exceeding normal zoning standards would help mitigate any impact on parking related to the development. Finally, the quality assurances conditioned through the SUP would guarantee a higher quality development than might otherwise be developed by right.