



CITY OF RICHMOND

PLANNING COMMISSION

April 5, 2021

**RESOLUTION CPR.2021.095
MOTION OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND PLANNING COMMISSION**

**MOTION OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND PLANNING COMMISSION TO DECLARE AN
INTENT TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF
PERMITTING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS IN ADDITIONAL ZONING DISTRICTS
IN THE CITY OF RICHMOND.**

WHEREAS, in accordance with §17.06 of the Charter of the City of Richmond, the City Planning Commission has adopted and City Council has approved a master plan, known as *Richmond 300*, to promote a coordinated, adjusted, and harmonious development of the city and its environs; and

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

WHEREAS, The Residential and Neighborhood Mixed-Use Future Land Use categories of *Richmond 300* identify accessory dwelling units as primary uses in such areas; and

WHEREAS, Objective 14.5 (c) of *Richmond 300* states the City should update the Zoning Ordinance to permit accessory dwelling units by-right with form-based requirements in all residential zones in order to encourage more housing types throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, Objective 14.9 (h) of *Richmond 300* states the City should amend the Zoning Ordinance to permit accessory dwelling units in all residential zones in order to assist households that desire to age in place in their neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with §17.14 of the Charter of the City of Richmond, the City Planning Commission may prepare and submit changes to the zoning ordinance, including both districts and maps, as changing conditions may make necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Planning Commission hereby concludes, for the purposes of public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice, and in order to best promote health, safety, morals, comfort, prosperity, and general welfare, as well as efficiency and economy in the process of development, that an amendment to the City's zoning ordinance shall be drafted for the purpose of permitting accessory dwelling units in additional zoning districts in the City of Richmond.



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Chair, City Planning Commission



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Secretary, City Planning Commission