



Legislation Text

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To designate the property known as 2209 Ruffin Road as a revitalization area pursuant to Va. Code § 36-55.30:2. (8th District)

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 36-55.30:2 of the Virginia Housing Development Authority Act (the “Act”), as set forth in sections 36-55.24 through 36-55.52 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, the governing bodies of localities may by resolution designate an area within such locality as a revitalization area for the purpose of facilitating financing by the Virginia Housing Development Authority to assist private entities with the development of mixed use and mixed income projects; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, in order to designate an area as a revitalization area, the local governing body must determine that, with respect to such area, (i) the area is blighted, deteriorated, deteriorating or, if not rehabilitated, likely to deteriorate by reason that the buildings, improvements or other facilities in such area are subject to one or more of the following conditions: dilapidation; obsolescence; overcrowding; inadequate ventilation, light or sanitation; excessive land coverage; deleterious land use; or faulty or inadequate design, quality or condition; and (ii) private enterprise and investment are not reasonably expected, without assistance, to produce the construction or rehabilitation of decent, safe and sanitary housing and supporting facilities that will meet the needs of low and moderate income persons and families in such area and will induce other persons and families to live within such area and thereby create a desirable economic mix of residents in such area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, in any revitalization area, the Virginia Housing Development Authority may provide financing for one or more economically mixed projects and, in conjunction therewith, any “nonhousing buildings,” as defined by section 36-55.26 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, that

are incidental to such project or projects or are determined by the governing body of the locality to be necessary or appropriate for the revitalization of such area or for the industrial, commercial or other economic development thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that the property known as 2209 Ruffin Road, identified as Tax Parcel No. S008-0670/001 in the 2021 records of the City Assessor and as shown on the survey entitled “‘ALTA/NSPS Land Title Survey’ of a Parcel of Land Located on the North Side of Ruffin Road, the South Side of Summer Hill Ave, and the West Side of CSX Railroad, Totaling 6.152 Acres of Land in Richmond, Virginia,” prepared by Timmons Group, and dated September 28, 2021, a copy of which is attached to this resolution, is an area (i) that is is blighted, deteriorated, deteriorating or, if not rehabilitated, likely to deteriorate by reason that the buildings, improvements or other facilities in such area are subject to one or more of the following conditions: dilapidation; obsolescence; overcrowding; inadequate ventilation, light or sanitation; excessive land coverage; deleterious land use; or faulty or inadequate design, quality or condition; and (ii) in which private enterprise and investment are not reasonably expected, without assistance, to produce the construction or rehabilitation of decent, safe and sanitary housing and supporting facilities that will meet the needs of low and moderate income persons and families in such area and will induce other persons and families to live within such area and thereby create a desirable economic mix of residents in such area; and

WHEREAS, the Council believes that it is in the best interests of the citizens of the City of Richmond that the Council designate the aforementioned property as a revitalization area pursuant to section 36-55.30:2 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND:

That the Council hereby designates the property known as 2209 Ruffin Road, identified as Tax Parcel No. S008-0670/001 in the 2021 records of the City Assessor and as shown on the survey entitled “‘ALTA / NSPS Land Title Survey’ of a Parcel of Land Located on the North Side of Ruffin Road, the South Side of

Summer Hill Ave, and the West Side of CSX Railroad, Totaling 6.152 Acres of Land in Richmond, Virginia,” prepared by Timmons Group, and dated September 28, 2021, a copy of which is attached to this resolution, as a revitalization area pursuant to section 36-55.30:2 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Council hereby determines that the aforementioned parcel consists of an area that is blighted, deteriorated, deteriorating or, if not rehabilitated, likely to deteriorate by reason that the buildings, improvements or other facilities in such area are subject to one or more of the following conditions: dilapidation; obsolescence; overcrowding; inadequate ventilation, light or sanitation; excessive land coverage; deleterious land use; or faulty or inadequate design, quality or condition.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Council hereby determines that the aforementioned property consists of an area in which private enterprise and investment are not reasonably expected, without assistance, to produce the construction or rehabilitation of decent, safe and sanitary housing and supporting facilities that will meet the needs of low and moderate income persons and families in such area and will induce other persons and families to live within such area and thereby create a desirable economic mix of residents in such area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Council hereby determines that the aforementioned area contains a nonhousing building that is necessary or appropriate for the revitalization of such area or for the industrial, commercial, or other economic development thereof.