



City of Richmond

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Legislation Text

File #: ORD. 2018-181, **Version:** 1

To amend and reordain City Code § 30-930.5 to modify the White House of the Confederacy Old and Historic District (1201 East Clay Street).

O & R Request

DATE: May 1, 2018

EDITION: 1

TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

THROUGH: The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor
(This is no way reflects a recommendation on behalf of the Mayor.)

THROUGH: Selena Cuffee-Glenn, Chief Administrative Officer

THROUGH: Peter L. Downey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Economic Development and Planning

FROM: Mark A. Olinger, Director, Department of Planning and Development Review

RE: To amend Sec. 30-930.5(41) regarding the White House of the Confederacy Old and Historic District (1200 East Clay Street), to remove a portion of the property from the district.

ORD. OR RES. No.

PURPOSE: To amend Sec. 30-930.5(41) regarding the White House of the Confederacy Old and Historic District (1200 East Clay Street), to remove a portion of the property from the district.

REASON: The Confederate Memorial Literary Society and the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority have requested the removal of 1222 East Marshall Street (Tax Parcel No. E000-0208/020) from the White House of the Confederacy City Old and Historic District.

RECOMMENDATION: In accordance with the requirements of the City Charter and the Zoning Ordinance, the City Planning Commission will review this request and make a recommendation to City Council. This item will be scheduled for consideration by the Commission at its June 18, 2018, meeting. A letter outlining the Commission's recommendation will be forwarded to City Council following that meeting.

BACKGROUND: In June 2017, the Confederate Memorial Literary Society subdivided their property and transferred a portion, 1222 East Marshall Street, to the Virginia Commonwealth University Health System Authority. This parcel contains the Museum of the Confederacy building constructed in 1976. The Confederate Memorial Literary Society retained a portion of the property, 1201 East Clay Street (Tax Parcel

No. E000-0208/015), containing the White House of the Confederacy, built in 1818, and the related garden. A negative easement located at 1222 East Marshall Street was also established, and would remain within the old and historic district.

Both parcels are currently located in the White House of the Confederacy Old and Historic District, created in 1970. Ordinance No. 70-111 created eleven (11) single structure historic districts all of which were considered to be of “historical or architectural interest.” Per City Code section 30-930.2, “the purpose of creating old and historic districts is to provide a means by which the city council may recognize and protect the historic, architectural, cultural, and artistic heritage of the city.”

The property is located within the Virginia Commonwealth University Medical College of Virginia Campus in an area zoned B-4 - Central Business District. The City’s Master Plan recommends institutional land use for the subject property and surrounding properties.

FISCAL IMPACT / COST: The Department of Planning and Development Review does not anticipate any impact to the City’s budget for this or future fiscal years.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: Staff time for processing the request; preparation of draft ordinance; and publishing, mailing and posting of public notices.

BUDGET AMENDMENT NECESSARY: No.

REVENUE TO CITY: None.

DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon Adoption.

REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE: May 29, 2018

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: June 25, 2018

REQUESTED AGENDA: Regular

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE: None.

CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES: City Planning Commission, June 18, 2018

AFFECTED AGENCIES: Office of Chief Administrative Officer
Law Department (for review of draft ordinance)
City Assessor (for preparation of mailing labels for public notice)

RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.: Amendment of Zoning Code Sec. 30-930.5(41)

REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S): None.

ATTACHMENTS: Request Letters and Exhibit Plats, Draft Zoning Text Amendment, Map

STAFF: Kimberly Chen, Principal Planner

Planning and Preservation Division, 646-6364

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