



## Legislation Text

**File #:** ORD. 2021-115, **Version:** 1

To conditionally rezone the properties known as 2 Manchester Road and 4 Manchester Road from the RF-1 Riverfront District to the B-4 Central Business District (Conditional), upon certain terms and conditions. (6<sup>th</sup> District)

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That, as shown on the survey entitled “ALTA/ACSM Land Title Survey on the Property of Southern States Cooperative, Inc., City of Richmond, Virginia,” prepared by Hulcher & Associates, Inc., dated August 10, 2000, and last revised June 24, 2004, a copy of which is attached to, incorporated into, and made a part of this ordinance, the following properties, with Tax Parcel Numbers as shown in the 2021 records of the City Assessor, are excluded from the RF-1 Riverfront District and shall no longer be subject to the provisions of sections 30-447.1 through 30-447.9 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2020), as amended, and that the same are included in the B-4 Central Business District (Conditional) and shall be subject to the provisions of sections 30-440.1 through 30-440.7 and all other applicable provisions of Chapter 30 of the Code of the City of Richmond (2020), as amended:

2 Manchester Road  
4 Manchester Road

Tax Parcel No. S000-0101/006  
Tax Parcel No. S000-0101/005

§ 2. That the rezonings set forth in section 1 of this ordinance shall be conditioned upon the compliance by the owner or owners with all of the proffered conditions contained in the agreement entitled “Proffer Statement, Ordinance No. 2021- \_\_\_\_\_,” and undated, a copy of which is attached to, incorporated into, and made a part of this ordinance. These conditions, having been proffered by the owner or owners and accepted by the City, shall continue in full force and effect until a subsequent amendment to the City’s zoning ordinance changes the zoning of the parcels rezoned by this ordinance and specifically repeals such conditions.

§ 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

## O & R Request

**DATE:** March 29, 2021

**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:** J.E. Lincoln Saunders, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

**THROUGH:** Sharon L. Ebert, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Economic  
Development and Planning

**FROM:** Kevin J. Vonck, Acting Director, Department of Planning and  
Development Review

**RE:** To conditionally rezone the properties known as 2 Manchester Road and 4 Manchester Road,  
from the RF-1 Riverfront District to the B-4 Central Business District (conditional), upon certain  
proffered conditions.

**ORD. OR RES. No.**

**PURPOSE:** To conditionally rezone the properties known as 2 Manchester Road and 4 Manchester Road, from  
the RF-1 Riverfront District to the B-4 Central Business District (conditional), upon certain proffered  
conditions.

**REASON:** The property owner has requested a conditional rezoning to the B-4 Central Business District with  
proffered conditions. This will enable development of the subject property at greater density and building  
height than the current RF-1 District allows.

**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 May 17, 2021, meeting.

**BACKGROUND:** The proposed rezoning would cover two contiguous properties consisting of a combined  
2.16 acres of land improved with the Southern States silos. The properties are located in the Old Town  
Manchester Neighborhood, at the intersection of Hull Street and Manchester Road.

The City's Richmond 300 Plan designates the site as Destination Mixed-Use which is described as "key  
gateways featuring prominent destinations, such as retail, sports venues, and large employers, as well as  
housing and open space. Located at the convergence of several modes of transportation, including Pulse BRT or  
other planned transit improvements."

The development style shall be "Higher density, transit-oriented development encouraged on vacant or  
underutilized sites. New development should be urban in form, may be of larger scale than existing context,  
and, where relevant, should pay special attention to the historic character of the existing context. Development  
should enhance the public realm and create a sense of place. Many buildings are vertically mixed-use.  
Developments continue or introduce a gridded street pattern to increase connectivity. Ground floor uses engage  
with, and enliven, the street. Monolithic walls are discouraged, while windows, doors, storefronts, and other

features that allow transparency and interaction between building and street are encouraged. Active commercial ground floor uses are required on street-oriented commercial frontages. Mobility: Pedestrian, bicycle, and transit access are prioritized and accommodated. Bike parking is provided. Driveway entrances are required to be of alleys whenever possible; new driveways are prohibited on priority and principal street frontages. Surface parking is prohibited as a principal use; when surface parking is provided as an accessory use, it should be located to the rear of buildings and screened. Parking requirements are reduced to allow more market-based parking strategies, including shared parking. Intensity: Buildings typically a minimum height of five stories.” (p. 64)

**Primary Uses:** Retail/office/personal service, multi-family residential, cultural, and open space.

**Secondary Uses:** Institutional and government.

The properties are also located within the vicinity of the Manchester National/Regional Node.

The properties are currently located in the RF-1 Riverfront District. Properties to the north, east and west are also located in the RF-1 District. Properties to the south are in the M-2 Heavy Industrial District and B-4 District. A mix of vacant, industrial, commercial, and residential sites are present in the vicinity of the subject property.

**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:** \$1,700 application fee

**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** Upon Adoption

**REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE:** April 26, 2021

**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE:** May 24, 2021

**REQUESTED AGENDA:** Consent

**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE:** None

**CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES:** City Planning Commission,  
May 17, 2021

**AFFECTED AGENCIES:** Office of Chief Administrative Officer  
Law Department (for review of draft ordinance)

**RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.:** None

**REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S):** None

**ATTACHMENTS:** Application Form, Applicant's Report, Draft Ordinance, Proffer Statement, Survey, Map

**STAFF:** Jonathan Brown, Senior Planner  
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Key Issues:

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