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Legislation Text

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To authorize the special use of the properties known as 6 West 21st Street and 20 West 21st Street for the purposes of a community center, office use, and special events, upon certain terms and conditions. (5th District)

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TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

March 15, 2022

- **THROUGH:** The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor (Mayor, by Request) (This is no way reflects a recommendation on behalf of the Mayor.)
- THROUGH: J.E. Lincoln Saunders, Chief Administrative Officer
- **THROUGH:** Sharon L. Ebert, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Economic Development and Planning
- **FROM:** Kevin J. Vonck, Director, Department of Planning and Development Review
- **RE:** To authorize the special use of the properties known as 6 West 21st Street and 20 West 21st Street for the purposes of a community center, office use, and special events, upon certain terms and conditions.

ORD. OR RES. No.

PURPOSE: To authorize the special use of the properties known as 6 West 21st Street and 20 West 21st Street for the purposes of a community center, office use, and special events, upon certain terms and conditions.

REASON: The applicant is requesting a Special Use Permit which would allow for a community center, office use, and event space within an R-7 Single- and Two-Family Urban Residential District. The proposed uses are not permitted within in this district. A Special Use Permit is therefore required.

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 April 18, 2022, meeting.

BACKGROUND: The properties are located in the Swansboro neighborhood on West 21st Street, between Hull and Bainbridge Streets. The contiguous properties are currently a combined 15,042 sq. ft. (.35 acre) parcels of land. The application is for a commercial use within the 3,872 sq. ft., 2 story building at 6 West 21st St., and for an event space on the unimproved, adjacent parcel at 20 West 21st St.

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The City's Richmond 300 Master Plan designates a future land use for the subject property as Community Mixed Use. This designation is defined as a "Cluster of medium density, walkable commercial and residential uses that provide neighborhood services to nearby residential communities and sometimes feature regional attractions." Primary Uses: Retail/office/personal service, multi-family residential, cultural, and open space. Secondary Uses: Single family houses, institutional, and government. (p. 58)

The current zoning for this property is R-7 Single- and Two-Family Urban Residential. Adjacent properties to the north and west are located within the same R-7 district. Properties to the south and east are zoned B 3 General Business District.

The surrounding land uses include a mix of residential, commercial, and institutional uses.

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: \$2,400 application fee

DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon adoption

REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE: March 28, 2022

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: April 25, 2022

REQUESTED AGENDA: Consent

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE: None

CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES: City Planning Commission April 18, 2022

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: Draft Ordinance, Application Form, Applicant's Report, Plans, Survey, Map

STAFF: Jonathan Brown, Senior Planner Land Use Administration (Room 511) 646-5734

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