Resolution No. PC-18-02



City of Fairfax, Virginia Planning Commission Resolution Approving and Recommending Adoption of the 2035 Comprehensive Plan for the City of Fairfax

WHEREAS, § 2-227 of the Code of the City of Fairfax charges the Planning Commission with the responsibility of planning for the future development of the city so that residential areas may be provided with healthy surroundings, so that the needs of industry and business may be recognized and so that transportation systems; highway, utility, health, educational and recreational facilities and the city itself all may grow in a manner consonant with the efficient and economical use of public funds; and

WHEREAS, the Code of Virginia requires that the Planning Commission prepare and recommend to City Council a comprehensive plan for the physical development of the territory within its jurisdiction and that it be reviewed at least once every five years to determine whether it is advisable to amend the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission recognized that a process to develop a new Comprehensive Plan should commence following approval of the last amendments to the existing Comprehensive Plan in 2012; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission began the process of preparing the *City of Fairfax 2035 Comprehensive Plan* in 2015 and has made careful and comprehensive surveys and studies of the existing conditions and trends of growth, and of the probable future requirements of the territory and inhabitants of the City of Fairfax; and

WHEREAS, the *City of Fairfax 2035 Comprehensive Plan* has been prepared with the purpose of guiding and accomplishing a coordinated, adjusted and harmonious development of the City which will, in accordance with present and probable future needs and resources, best promote the health, safety, welfare, convenience, prosperity and general welfare of the inhabitants, including the elderly and persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the *City of Fairfax 2035 Comprehensive Plan* has been posted on a website maintained by the City where the Planning Commission typically posts information, notice has been given per §15.2-2204 of the Code of Virginia on a public hearing on the plan with the Planning Commission, and the Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on December 10, 2018 in accordance with §15.2-2225 of the Code of Virginia.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Planning Commission of the City of Fairfax hereby approves the *City of Fairfax 2035 Comprehensive Plan* in the draft dated December 5, 2018 with the following amendments, and forward it to City Council with the recommendation to approve and adopt.

- 1. Substitute the phrase "close knit community" for "small town appeal" on pages 7 and 23, and substitute the phrase "close knit community" for "small town character" on page 125.
- 2. In the Implementation Guide, page 1, second paragraph, substitute the word "periodically" with the word "annually" so that the sentence reads "These tables should be reviewed

annually to ensure that progress has been made on implementing or completing each of the actions per the defined schedule."

Chair

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning Commission of the City of Fairfax hereby accepts the *City of Fairfax 2035 Comprehensive Plan Implementation Guide* in the draft dated December 5, 2018 as a resource to support implementation of the recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan, which may be amended by the Planning Commission without additional formal action.

This resolution shall be effective as provided by law.

Adopted this 10th day of December 2018

ATTEST:

Secretary

The vote to approve was recorded as follows:

Commissioner/Chair CunninghamAYECommissioner/Vice Chair JaworskiAYECommissioner AngresAYECommissioner ArmstrongABSENTCommissioner BurrellAYECommissioner HarmonABSENTCommissioner Wheeler-SmithABSENT

CERTIFICATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO CITY COUNCIL.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, in accordance with § 15.2-2225 of the Code of Virginia, that the attached is a true copy of the *City of Fairfax 2035 Comprehensive Plan* approved by the City of Fairfax Planning Commission on December 10, 2018.

Paul Cunningham

Chair, Planning Commission

Date

ATTEST:

Tina Gillian

Secretary, Planning Commission