

# City of Alexandria, Virginia

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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** AUGUST 11, 2017

**TO:** THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL  
MADAM CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION

**FROM:** KARL MORITZ, DIRECTOR, PLANNING & ZONING

**SUBJECT:** RESOLUTION NO. MPA #2017-0003

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### **DISCUSSION:**

Under the provisions of Section 9.05 of the City Charter, the Planning Commission may adopt amendments to the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria and submit to the City Council such revisions. On June 13, 2017, the City Council unanimously approved the Planning Commission Recommendation to approved Master Plan Amendment #20017-0003 and adopt the North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan Chapter of the City Master Plan with the proposed changes.

Among the list of attachments that accompanied the Master Plan Amendment staff report in June, including the updated Plan, endorsement letters, and other supporting materials, the resolution attachment was inadvertently omitted. The attached resolution is the procedural mechanism to enact the Master Plan Amendment as proposed and assures the record of decision from the approving bodies. No additional change to the amendment as approved is proposed with this action. Approval of this resolution permits the implementation of the proposed amendment and enables passage of the subsequent ordinance.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Resolution No. MPA 2017-0003

### **STAFF:**

Nancy J. Williams, Assistant Director, Department of Planning & Zoning  
Jeffrey Farnier, Deputy Director, Department of Planning & Zoning  
Richard Lawrence, Urban Planner III, Department of Planning & Zoning  
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RESOLUTION NO. **MPA 2017-0003**

WHEREAS, under the Provisions of Section 9.05 of the City Charter, the Planning Commission may adopt amendments to the Master Plan of the City of Alexandria and submit to the City Council such revisions in said plans as changing conditions may make necessary; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment would replace the **North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan** chapter of the 1992 Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Zoning has analyzed the proposed amendment and presented its recommendations to the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, a duly advertised public hearing on the proposed amendment was held on **June 6, 2017** with all public testimony and written comment considered; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission finds that:

1. The proposed amendment is necessary and desirable to guide and accomplish the coordinated, adjusted and harmonious development of the **North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan** section of the City; and
2. The proposed amendment is generally consistent with the overall goals and objectives of the 1992 Master Plan and with the specific goals and objectives set forth in the **North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan** chapter of the 1992 Master Plan; and
3. The proposed amendment shows the Planning Commission's long-range recommendations for the general development of the **North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan**; and
4. Based on the foregoing findings and all other facts and circumstances of which the Planning Commission may properly take notice in making and adopting a master plan for the City of Alexandria, adoption of the amendment to the **North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan** chapter of the 1992 Master Plan will, in accordance with present and probable future needs and resources, best promote the health, safety, morals, order, convenience, prosperity and general welfare of the residents of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Planning Commission of the City of Alexandria that:

1. The attached document titled North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan dated June 6, 2017, and any appendices to such document are hereby adopted replacing the North Potomac Yard Small Area Plan chapter dated April 7, 2010 of the 1992 Master Plan of the City of Alexandria in accordance with Section 9.05 of the Charter of the City of Alexandria.
2. This resolution shall be signed by the Chairman of the Planning Commission and attested by its secretary, and a true copy of this resolution forwarded and certified to the City Council.

ADOPTED the **6th day of June, 2017.**

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Mary Lyman, Chairman  
Alexandria Planning Commission

ATTEST: 

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Karl Moritz, Secretary