

## The Whitley Phase 2 (former Towne Motel)

### REZ #2024-00004 DSUP #2024-10017 ENC #2024-00008

#### **City Council**

April 26, 2025



# Agenda



- 1. Summary
- 2. Background
- 3. Project updates
- 4. Requests
- 5. Key findings and insights
  6. Recommendation



#### Request

 Major amendment to the previously approved hotel (partially constructed prior to pause) to allow for a multi-unit dwelling

#### **Planning Commission Action**

• To recommend approval of the REZ, DSUP, SUPs and ENC

#### **Key Elements**

 Approvals required for new use while retaining same general site layout, building height and massing, and FAR

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- Located in the OTNSAP, adjacent to the BMNP, and the Old & Historic Alexandria District\*
- Owner of adjacent project, (the Whitley Phase 1) is redeveloping the site



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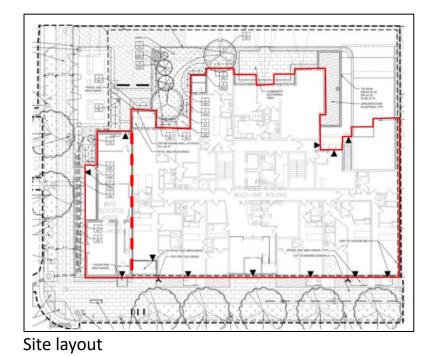
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\* Old Town North Small Area Plan (OTNSAP) / Braddock Metro Neighborhood Plan (BMNP)



- Updated architecture and more building articulation
- Removal of a curb cut on Washington St. for improved streetscape
- Unit entrances at street level for pedestrian level activation
- Relocated garage entrance off rear alley to allow for more underground parking
- Meeting open space requirement with atgrade and above-grade open space for future residents

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Proposed N. Washington Street rendering



#### Rezoning

• From CD-X to CRMU-X

#### **DSUP with Site Plan**

- SUPs for 2.5 FAR, bonus density for affordable housing, two-space parking reduction
- Modification for crown coverage (8% reduction)

#### Encroachment

- Balconies on Washington Street frontage
- Historic building front facade

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# **Key Findings and Insights**

#### Highlights:

- Schools: Three new students generated
- **Transportation:** Removal of a curb cut and improvements to vehicular and pedestrian safety
- **Stormwater:** 72% phosphorus reduction from existing; exceeding the required reduction by 42% **Benefits:**
- More housing, including an affordable one-bedroom for-sale unit
- Streetscape improvements and updated architecture
- Completion of a stalled construction site
- Compliance with current City policies: Green building, public art, affordable housing, TMPs

Outreach: BAR concept review (1.15.25), community meeting (1.9.25) and AHAAC\* meeting (3.6.25)

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## Staff and the Planning Commission Recommend Approval

- 1. REZ #2024-00004
- 2. DSUP #2024-10017
- 3. ENC #2025-00008

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