

ORDINANCE NO. 5161

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 5-610 (Potomac Yard Advisory Committee) of Article V (Mixed Use Zones) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2018-0009.

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that:

1. In Text Amendment No. 2018-0009, the Planning Commission, having found that the public necessity, convenience, general welfare and good zoning practice so require, recommended approval to the City Council on September 4, 2018 of a text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to add an additional member, representing civic associations with Potomac Yard, to the Potomac Yard Advisory Committee), which recommendation was approved by the City Council at public hearing on September 15, 2018;

2. The City Council in adopting this ordinance expressly adopts, ratifies, affirms and concurs in the finding and action of the Planning Commission above stated;

3. All requirements of law precedent to the adoption of this ordinance have been complied with; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 5-610 of the Zoning Ordinance be, and the same hereby is, amended by deleting the current subsection in its entirety and inserting new language, as shown:

5-610 – Potomac Yard Design Advisory Committee.

(A) There is hereby established by ordinance the Potomac Yard design advisory committee.

(B) The Potomac Yard design advisory committee shall consist of eleven members appointed by the city council, pursuant to title 2, chapter 4 of the Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1981, as amended, for staggered terms of two years. The committee shall include two members representing the Potomac East area; one member with urban design or architectural experience representing the National Park Service; two members representing the Potomac West area; two members representing the Potomac Yard area; one member representing civic associations within Potomac Yard; one member representing the business community, and two qualified professionals skilled in landscape architecture, architecture or urban design.

(C) The purpose of the Potomac Yard design advisory committee is to review applications for preliminary development plan special use permit approval under this ordinance, within CDD No. 10 Potomac Yard/Greens and CDD No. 19 North Potomac Yard, for compliance with the respective urban design guidelines or design standards applicable therein, and make recommendation on such applications to the planning commission and city council through the director.

(D) The director shall send a copy of any proposed preliminary development plan for the CDD to the committee, and the committee shall send its comments to the director in time to be sent to the planning commission together with the staff report on the proposed plan. Each applicant for a preliminary development plan approval shall be encouraged to discuss its proposal with the committee, including prior to the filing of an application for approval of a preliminary development plan.

(E) The committee shall establish a regular schedule which provides for meetings at least once per calendar quarter. Additional meetings may be scheduled by the chair of the committee, in consultation with the director.

(F) Section 2-4-7(f) of the City Code, which prohibits a person from serving on more than one standing committee, shall not apply to service on the Potomac Yard design advisory committee; provided, however, that this subsection shall expire on December 18, 2007.

Section 2. That the director of planning and zoning be, and hereby is, directed to record the foregoing text amendment.

Section 3. That Section 5-610, as amended pursuant to Section 1 of this ordinance, be, and the same hereby is, reordained as part of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall become effective on the date and at the time of its final passage, and shall apply to all applications for land use, land development or subdivision approval provided for under the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance which may be filed after such date, and shall apply to all other facts and circumstances subject to the provisions of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, except as may be provided in Article XII of the Zoning Ordinance.

ALLISON SILBERBERG
Mayor

Final Passage: October 13, 2018