Zoning Change from R-5A to R-6 – Findings of Fact

On a motion by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Peterson, the following resolution was adopted.

WHEREAS, The Traditional Neighborhood Form District is characterized by predominantly residential uses, by a grid pattern of streets with sidewalks and often including alleys. Residential lots are predominantly narrow and often deep, but the neighborhood may contain sections of larger estate lots, and also sections of lots on which appropriately integrated higher density residential uses may be located. The higher density uses are encouraged to be located in centers or near parks and open spaces having sufficient carrying capacity. There is usually a significant range of housing opportunities, including multi-family dwellings; and

WHEREAS, Traditional neighborhoods often have and are encouraged to have a significant proportion of public open space such as parks or greenways, and may contain civic uses as well as appropriately located and integrated neighborhood centers with a mixture of mostly neighborhood-serving land uses such as offices, shops, restaurants and services. Although many existing traditional neighborhoods are fifty to one hundred twenty years old, it is hoped that the Traditional Neighborhood Form will be revitalized under the new Comprehensive Plan. Revitalization and reinforcement of the Traditional Neighborhood Form will require particular emphasis on (a) preservation and renovation of existing buildings in stable neighborhoods (if the building design is consistent with the predominant building design in those neighborhoods), (b) the preservation of the existing grid pattern of streets and alleys, (c) preservation of public open spaces; and

WHEREAS, the Louisville Metro Planning Commission finds that the proposal will preserve the existing street pattern, sidewalks and alley. The lot pattern will not be affected.

The public realm is maintained. Parking is located both on street and within a garage along an existing alley. The proposal can be accessed by all forms of transportation except transit which is not directly available along this local level road. The proposal follows the setbacks of the two closest adjacent residential structures. Carriage houses are not typically found in the general vicinity but are consistent with the form districts pattern of development; and

WHEREAS, the Commission further finds that, based on the evidence and testimony presented, the staff report, and applicant's findings of fact that all of the applicable Guidelines of Cornerstone 2020 and the Comprehensive Plan are being met; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Louisville Metro Planning Commission does hereby **RECOMMEND** to the legislative body of Louisville Metro Government that the requested change in zoning from R-5A to R-6 on property described in the attached legal description be **APPROVED**.