

May 20, 2024

To: Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Sheryl M. M. Long, City Manager
Subject: City Planning Commission Report and Recommendation

The City Planning Commission reviewed and considered an Ordinance captioned as follows at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 17, 2024:

MODIFYING multiple Chapters of Title XIV, “Zoning Code of the City of Cincinnati,” and Title XVII, “Land Development Code,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code, by **ORDAINING** Sections 1401-01-F9-0, “Four-Family Dwelling,” 1401-01-T-0, “Projecting Bay,” 1401-01-T-0, “Three-Family Dwelling,” 1403-04, “Connected Communities,” 1405-04, “Connected Communities,” 1407-04, “Connected Communities,” 1409-04, “Connected Communities,” 1410-04, “Connected Communities,” 1413-04, “Connected Communities,” 1415-04, “Connected Communities,” 1421-45, “Transit Stops,” 1421-47, “Density, Height, and Parking Modifications for Projects Utilizing Certain Financial Programs,” 1425-39, “Electric Vehicle Charging Equipment,” 1435-05-07, “Exceptions from Base Development Regulations,” by **AMENDING** Sections 1400-23, “Principal Structures,” 1401-01-A14, “Attached Single-Family Dwelling,” 1403-03, “Specific Purposes of the Single-Family Subdistricts,” 1403-05, “Land Use Regulations,” 1403-07, “Development Regulations,” 1405-05, “Land Use Regulations,” 1405-07, “Development Regulations,” 1409-09, “Development Regulations,” 1410-05, “Land Use Regulations,” 1413-05, “Land Use Regulations,” 1417-05, “Special Accessory Uses,” 1417-15, “Sign Standards for Uses in the I-R District,” 1419-21, “Limited or Full Service Restaurants and Drinking Establishments,” 1421-07, “Building Projections Into Yards,” 1421-19, “Exceptions to Height Limits,” 1425-03, “Requirements for Off-Street Parking and Loading,” 1425-04, “Urban Parking Overlay Districts,” 1425-19, “Off-Street Parking and Loading Requirements,” 1425-23, “Reduced Parking,” 1425-29, “Parking Lot Landscaping,” 1429-05, “Basic Requirements,” 1429-17, “Appeals,” 1431-21, “Appeals,” 1435-05-01, “Applicability,” 1447-05, “Nonconforming Structures,” 1449-01, “Purpose and Authority,” 1449-13, “Procedures for Appeals from Decisions of the Zoning Administrator, the Director of Buildings and Inspections or the City Planning Commission,” 1703-2.40, “T3 Estate (T3E); T3E Sub-Zone(s),” 1703-2.40, “T3 Estate (T3E); T3E Allowed Building Types; Building Type,” 1703-2.40, “T3 Estate (T3E); T3E Parking; Required Spaces,” 1703-2.50, “T3 Neighborhood (T3N); T3N Sub-Zone(s),” Section 1703-2.50, “T3 Neighborhood (T3N); T3N Allowed Building Types; Building Type,” Section 1703-2.50, “T3 Neighborhood (T3N); T3N Parking; Required Spaces,” Section 1703-2.60, “T4 Neighborhood Medium Footprint (T4N.MF); T4N.MF SubZone(s),” 1703-2.60, “T4 Neighborhood Medium Footprint (T4N.MF); T4N Parking; Required Spaces,” 1703-2.70, “T4 Neighborhood Small Footprint (T4N.SF); T4N.SF SubZone(s),” 1703-2.70, “T4 Neighborhood Small Footprint (T4N.SF); T4N Parking; Required Spaces,” 1703-2.80, “T5 Main Street (T5MS); T5MS Sub-Zone(s),” 1703-2.80, “T5 Main Street (T5MS); T5MS Parking; Required Spaces,” 1703-2.80, “T5 Main Street (T5MS);

T5MS Use Table; Retail,” 1703-2.90, “T5 Neighborhood Large Setback (T5N.LS); T5N.LS Sub-Zone(s),” 1703-2.90, “T5 Neighborhood Large Setback (T5N.LS); T5N.LS Parking; Required Spaces,” 1703-2.90, “T5 Neighborhood Large Setback (T5N.LS); T5N.LS Use Table; Retail,” 1703-2.100, “T5 Neighborhood Small Setback (T5N.SS); T5N.SS SubZone(s),” 1703-2.100, “T5 Neighborhood Small Setback (T5N.SS); T5N.SS Parking; Required Spaces,” 1703-2.100, “T5 Neighborhood Small Setback (T5N.SS); T5N.SS Use Table; Retail,” 1703-2.110, “T5 Flex (T5F); T5F Sub-Zone(s),” 1703-2.110, “T5 Flex (T5F); T5F Building Placement; Required Spaces,” 1703-2.110, “T5 Flex (T5F); T5F Use Table; Retail,” 1703-2.120, “T6 Core (T6C); T6C Sub-Zone(s),” 1703-2.120, “T6 Core (T6C); T6C Parking; Required Spaces,” 1703-2.120, “T6 Core (T6C); T6C Use Table; Retail,” Table 1703-3.30.A, “Building Types General,” 1703-3.100, “Multi-Plex: Small,” 1703-5.50, “Parking,” 1703-5.100, “Additional Standards for Specific Uses,” and by **MODIFYING** Title XV, “Code Compliance and Hearings,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code by **AMENDING** Section 1501-12, “Class F Civil Offenses,” and by **REPEALING** Sections 1403-11, “Purpose of Cluster Housing,” 1403-13, “Cluster Housing General Regulations,” 1403-15, “Covenants,” 1403-17, “Site Divided by Zoning Line,” 1403-19, “Application Procedures and Requirements,” to foster greater development that focuses on pedestrian and human-centered design, to increase housing options, and to strengthen neighborhood business districts throughout the City.

Summary:

The petitioners, Mayor Aftab Pureval and Councilmembers Jeff Cramerding and Reggie Harris, request modifications to the Zoning Code of the City of Cincinnati under the “Connected Communities” initiative as set forth in the above-described Ordinance. Details of the modifications can be found within the Staff Report prepared by the Department of City Planning and Engagement.

After reviewing and considering the ordinance at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 17, 2024, the City Planning Commission provided the following recommendation:

APPROVE the proposed modification to multiple Chapters of Title XIV, “Zoning Code of the City of Cincinnati,” and Title XVII, “Land Development Code,” of the Cincinnati Municipal Code with the following revisions:

- i. Update Map K5 to accurately reflect the indicated grid (as corrected in Exhibit F).
- ii. Specifically address the multi-family zoning districts’ minimum lot-area-per-dwelling-unit and minimum lot size regulations in 1405-04, as required for the consistent application of the Connected Communities Policy in these districts (Exhibit J).
- iii. Insert phrase in the Transportation Corridor designations to clarify that all Transportation Corridor regulations apply to two-family, three-family, and four-family uses as reflected in § 1405-04 (Exhibit J).

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