



December 8, 2020

Chairman Carole Garrison
Planning Commission
City of Hampton
22 Lincoln Street
3rd and 5th Floor
Hampton, VA 23669

Re: Proposed Changes to Multifamily Regulations

Dear Chairman Garrison:

We write this letter on behalf of the Coliseum Central Board to share our concerns of the proposed changes to Multifamily Development Regulations for our District. The recommendations the Planning Commission will be hearing is an ordinance which will remove the by right provision for multifamily development in Coliseum Central District and replace with a required Use Permit. We are concerned that such a change will have a direct effect on land value for investors.

Coliseum Central is not opposed to the creation of new regulations to encourage high quality development, however we are opposed to the time period of which it will be accomplished. Therefore, as a solution Coliseum Central suggested to City Staff our willingness to offset a third-party consultant to expedite such ordinance which would reduce the time period and reduce the need for changing the current by-right provision in the City Ordinance.

In conclusion Coliseum Central is suggesting the City engage a third-party consultant to assist City Staff to expeditiously create and pass new regulations for the Coliseum Central District in the first quarter of 2021, which the BID would consider offsetting this additional cost.

Sincerely,

Sonya Daniels -President
Raymond Tripp – Executive Director