AT A PUBLIC HEARING IN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE HAMPTON PLANNING COMMISSION HELD IN THE FORUM, JONES MIDDLE SCHOOL, 1819 NICKERSON BOULEVARD, HAMPTON, VIRGINIA, ON THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2017 AT 3:30 P.M.

WHEREAS:

the Hampton Planning Commission has before it this day a request by the City of Hampton to rezone 22.03± acres of land located at an unaddressed property on the east side of N. Armistead Ave., the south side of Potter Lane, and just south of Langley Air Force Base [LRSN 6000831];

WHEREAS:

the application is to rezone the property from Neighborhood Commercial (C-1) with proffered conditions and General Commercial (C-3) with proffered conditions to Langley Flight Approach Mixed Business and Manufacturing (LFA-2);

WHEREAS:

the property subject to this rezoning is owned by the City of Hampton, and is currently vacant;

WHEREAS:

the <u>Hampton Community Plan</u> (2006, as amended) recommends business/industrial uses for this property;

WHEREAS:

the <u>Hampton Community Plan</u> strongly encourages the City of Hampton to partner with Langley Air Force Base to promote compatible land uses within the flight approach and noise areas surrounding the facility;

WHEREAS:

there is a long history of collaboration between Langley Air Force Base and the City of Hampton, as the City has continued to grow and expand, to ensure that adjacent land uses are managed such that this key military facility can continue to accomplish its mission, while also protecting the health, safety, and general welfare of the public;

WHEREAS:

in 2010, the Air Force and the City completed the Hampton-Langley Joint Land Use Agreement, which encourages the City to adopt land use and growth policies to keep high concentrations of people and development away from Langley;

WHEREAS:

such efforts are encouraged to concentrate on a specific area off the western end of Langley's main runway, known as the flight approach area or APZ;

WHEREAS:

the APZ is designated as having the greatest statistical probability, in the unlikely event of an emergency involving an aircraft taking off or landing at Langley, for said aircraft to crash;

WHEREAS:

the City of Hampton, in an effort to keep the APZ clear of development, has worked to use City and State funding to acquire property in this area;

WHEREAS:

the City of Hampton has also created the six (6) Langley Flight Approach (LFA) special zoning districts, which are designed specifically for this area, and permit only low density, non-residential uses;

WHEREAS:

the property subject to this rezoning is proposed to be rezoned to LFA-2, which is the second most restrictive of the six (6) LFA districts and is designed for properties not encroaching into, but are directly adjacent to,

the APZ; and

WHEREAS:

no one from the public spoke for or against this proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, on a motion by Commissioner Ruthann Kellum and seconded by Commissioner Trina Coleman,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Hampton Planning Commission recommends to City Council approval of Rezoning Application No. 17-00002.

A roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES:

Coleman, Kellum, Garrison, Carter, Gray, Peterson, Southall

NAYS:

None

ABST: ABSENT: None None

A COPY; TESTE:

Terry R. O'Neill

Secretary to the Commission