AT A PUBLIC HEARING IN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE HAMPTON PLANNING COMMISSION HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, HAMPTON, VIRGINIA, ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2023 AT 3:30 P.M.

WHEREAS: the Hampton Planning Commission has before it this day a request

to amend the <u>Hampton Community Plan</u> (2006, as amended) to incorporate by reference the <u>Natural Infrastructure Resiliency Plan</u>;

WHEREAS: the Natural Infrastructure Resiliency Plan is a part of ongoing

planning efforts to increase the City of Hampton's resilience;

WHEREAS: the Natural Infrastructure Resiliency Plan was funded by grants from

the Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant

Program;

WHEREAS: the Natural Infrastructure Resiliency Plan was developed in

collaboration with wide ranging stakeholders, including the Fort Monroe Authority, National Park Service, NASA Langley Research Center, Hampton University, Joint Base Langley Eustis-Langley, Hampton Roads Planning District Commission, Virginia Tech Cooperative Extension, the Old Dominion University Institute for Coastal Adaptation and Resilience, James River Association, Hampton City Schools, and the Hampton Extension Master

Gardeners;

WHEREAS: the Natural Infrastructure Resiliency Plan contains strategies for the

management, protection, and restoration of natural infrastructure

in Hampton;

**WHEREAS:** natural infrastructure refers to both includes both wild and human

created natural environments which capture stormwater, buffer the city from storms, filter pollution, provide connected spaces for

wildlife movement, and provide shade; and

WHEREAS: adoption of the Natural Infrastructure Resiliency Plan is critical to

achieving the resilience goals outlined in the <u>Hampton Community</u> Plan by adopting more specific goals and strategies in the three

key areas of land, water, and people.

NOW, THEREFORE, on a motion by Commissioner Brian DeProfio and seconded by

Commissioner Hope Harper,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Hampton Planning Commission recommends to City

Council approval of Comprehensive Plan Amendment No.

24-0414.

A roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES:

Rogers, Brooks, Coleman, Kellum, Harper, DeProfio

NAYS:

None

ABST:

**ABSENT:** 

None Harris

A COPY; TESTE:

Kim Mikel

Secretary to the Commission