



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Hampton Planning Commission

**FROM:** Mike Hayes, AICP  
Planning & Zoning Administration Division Manager

**DATE:** January 10, 2025

**SUBJECT:** January 2025 Planning Commission Meeting

The next meeting of the Hampton Planning Commission is Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 3:00PM. We will meet in the Community Development Department Conference Room for the work session. The regular meeting will begin at 3:30PM in City Council Chambers.

This also happens to be my last Planning Commission memo and last meeting with the Planning Commission for the foreseeable future as I part ways with the City of Hampton. I have been very fortunate to spend 20 years with the City of Hampton, and I have served the Planning Commission since day 1. As I keep telling everyone when this subject comes up, I truly believe in Hampton. The city has such a rich history and so much opportunity. From my perspective, Hampton is a city with soul, but it is only more recently in my time with the City that its light is really starting to shine for all to see. Embracing the people and that soul is key in developing new partnerships and a path forward for phenomenal things and an authentic experience. I am very thankful for being a part of helping find and navigate the path for the last two decades and look forward to seeing where Hampton goes from here.

Now, with respect to the upcoming meeting, the Commission has on its agenda one land use case and the Youth Planner report.

The land use case is an STR application in the Buckroe 1 Zone. This STR Zone had a number of spots open up as operations that qualified under the grace period provision did not apply for their necessary permitting to continue. The address for this application is 127 N Fourth Street. It is coming forward as a Use Permit because the lot is home to two buildings totalling three dwelling units, which include a sum of 9 sleeping rooms. The number of sleeping rooms and guests exceeds the amount that can be permitted under the Zoning Administrator Permit. Please note that the buildings and units have been on the lot since the 1950's.

With respect to applications seen by the Planning Commission recently, at the January 9<sup>th</sup> meeting, City Council took the following action:

Approved Use Permit Application No.24-0456 for the new tower proposed by Dominion Energy on G Street.

Approved Use Permit Application No.24-0490 by Raising Canes to allow the restaurant, which does not serve alcohol, to have hours as late as 3:00AM.

Deferred Use Permit Application No.24-0489 for Karma's restaurant. City Council was clear in the expectation that an updated security plan agreed upon between the Hampton Police Division and the applicant be established prior to City Council being willing to grant additional hours of operation. The City Council also asked that the applicant give the neighboring community an opportunity to attend a community meeting.

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Please reach out and let us know if you expect to be in attendance at the January meeting.

If you have questions about the package or particular items, feel free to reach out to me at 757.728.5244 or [mdhayes@hampton.gov](mailto:mdhayes@hampton.gov).