AT A PUBLIC HEARING IN A REGULAR MEETING OF THE HAMPTON PLANNING COMMISSION HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, HAMPTON, VIRGINIA, ON THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2016 AT 3:30 P.M.

WHEREAS:

the Hampton Planning Commission has before it this day a request by the City of Hampton to rezone 336.57± acres, as shown in green and designated as PO-1 Parks and Open space General on the attached map, including LRSNs 13004300, 13004301, 13003684, 13003685, 13003686, 13003687, 13003688, 13003689, 13003690, 13003691, the portion of LRSN 13004302 not within the inner fort, a portion of LRSN 13003672 (the portion which generally includes the waterfront areas of the parcel and the areas of open space as shown on the map), a portion of LRSN 13003682 (the portion which generally includes the Reeder Circle park and the open space containing the sports field between Stilwell Road and Patch Road), a portion of LRSN 13003683 (the portion which generally includes the waterfront areas along McNair Drive), a portion of LRSN 13003692 (the portion which generally includes the waterfront walkways), and a portion of LRSN 13003696 (the portion which generally includes the waterfront areas along McNair Drive and between McNair Drive and Tidball Road), from One Family Residential (R-13) District to Parks and Open Space General (PO-1) District;

WHEREAS:

this rezoning is part of a package of zoning ordinance amendments, rezonings, and a comprehensive plan amendment which were considered concurrently by the Planning Commission in response to the decision by the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission to close Fort Monroe as a military installation;

WHEREAS:

the proposed Fort Monroe Land Use Plan (CPA 16-0001) recognizes the establishment of the Fort Monroe National Monument, identifies a new, mixed use "live, work, play" community with private land ownership, and recommends the preservation of the historic and natural resources found on the Fort Monroe property;

WHEREAS:

the property is currently zoned One Family Residential (R-13) District which does not support the vision set forth in the proposed Fort Monroe Land Use Plan (CPA 16-00001);

WHEREAS:

the PO-1 zoning district promotes the conservation and protection of open spaces and natural areas while also promoting recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS:

four members of the public spoke with regard to the allowance of residential uses on Fort Monroe and no one spoke specifically with regard to RZ 16-00006.

NOW, THEREFORE, on a motion by Commissioner Teresa Schmidt and seconded by Commissioner Gay LaRue,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Hampton Planning Commission recommends to City Council approval of Rezoning No. RZ 16-00006.

A roll call vote on the motion resulted as follows:

AYES:

Campbell, Schmidt, LaRue, Southall

NAYS:

None

ABST:

Bunting

ABSENT:

Williams, McCloud

A COPY; TESTE:

Terry POO'Neill

Secretary to Commission