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Subject: Information you requested

Dr. Delaney,

I think I located the information you are seeking.

City Council approved the five recommendations of the task force on 06/27/1987. The motion was as follows: City Council approve the five recommendations in the report as follows: (1) Council should adopt a formal policy favoring open space easements (RES. NO. 1259) ; (2) Council should establish a program to implement that policy; (3) Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission be invited to participate in the program; (4) Office of Historic Alexandria should be utilized to administer the program; and (5) City Council should review floor area ratio provisions to ensure they foster City policy.

I have attached a copy of Resolution #1259 for your inspection.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information. Have a good day!

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RESOLUTION NO. 1259

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alexandria appointed the Task Force on Open-Space Easements on November 25, 1986, in the course of a regular meeting; and

WHEREAS, the City Council thereby acknowledged the need for and value of historic and scenic easements as means for preserving historic properties and for preserving open space itself; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of Virginia in chapter 461, Acts of Assembly 1966, Section 2, made several legislative findings when enacting the Open-Space Land Act; and

WHEREAS, amongst the findings of the General Assembly was "that the provision and preservation of permanent open-space land are necessary...to help provide or preserve necessary park, recreational, historic and scenic areas, and to conserve land and other natural resources" and "that the acquisition or designation of interests and rights in real property by public bodies to provide or preserve permanent open-space land is essential...to the health and welfare of the citizens of the State;" and

WHEREAS, the city council has received the report of the Task Force on Open-Space Easements and in consideration of the report and from other knowledge of the subject, the city council concurs in the legislative findings of the General Assembly stated above;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA:**

That it is the policy of the City of Alexandria to promote the creation of open-space easements through their acquisition by the city or other authorized public bodies or other means in order to provide or preserve open-space land, especially in historic and scenic areas where further development would result in the spread of urban blight and deterioration.

That the City of Alexandria hereby requests the Alexandria Historical Restoration and Preservation Commission to become the public agency to secure open space and similar easements pursuant to the authority conferred on the Commission in its enabling legislation.

ADOPTED: JUNE 24, 1987


JAMES P. MORAN, JR., MAYOR


Helen Holleman City Clerk