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INFORMATION ON PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Title

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 10-113 (ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF CERTAIN PERMITS) of Section 10-100 (OLD AND HISTORIC ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT), Section 10-213 (ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF CERTAIN PERMITS) of Section 10-200 (PARKER GRAY DISTRICT) both of Article X (HISTORIC DISTRICTS AND BUILDINGS) of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance and to add and ordain Section 10-316 (ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVAL OF CERTAIN PERMITS) to Section 10-300 (PRESERVATION OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES OVER 100 YEARS OLD OUTSIDE THE OLD AND HISTORIC ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT AND THE PARKER GRAY DISTRICT) of Article X (HISTORIC DISTRICTS AND BUILDINGS), all in accordance with the text amendment heretofore approved by city council as Text Amendment No. 2011-0008.

Summary

The proposed ordinance accomplishes the final adoption of Text Amendment No. 2011-0008 to allow administrative approval of Minor Architectural Elements in the historic districts and for buildings designated as 100 year old buildings.

Sponsor

Department of Planning and Zoning

Staff

Faroll Hamer, Director of Planning and Zoning
Joanna C. Anderson, Assistant City Attorney

Authority

§§ 2.04(w), 9.12, Alexandria City Charter
§ 11-800, City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance

Estimated Costs of Implementation

None

Attachments in Addition to Proposed Ordinance and its Attachments (if any)

None
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WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that:

1. In Text Amendment No. 2011-0008, the planning commission, having found that the public necessity, convenience, general welfare and good zoning practice so require, recommended approval to the City Council on April 5, 2011 of a text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to allow administrative approval of Minor Architectural Elements in the historic districts and for buildings designated as 100 year old buildings, which recommendation was approved by the City Council at public hearing on April 16, 2011;

2. The City Council in adopting this ordinance expressly adopts, ratifies, affirms and concurs in the finding and action of the Planning Commission above stated;

3. All requirements of law precedent to the adoption of this ordinance have been complied with; now, therefore,

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Section 10-113 of the Zoning Ordinance be, and the same hereby is, amended by deleting and inserting new language, as shown

Sec. 10-113 Administrative approval of certain permits. The director may review and approve applications for the following exterior changes, provided they comply with the specific criteria and standards outlined and formally approved by the board.

(a) Signs;
(b) Minor architectural elements, such as residential accessibility structures; sheds; storm doors; gutters and downspouts; utility meters, vents and HVAC condensers; fences and gates; exterior lighting and shutters; siding and trim; railings; and, antennas.
Section 2. That Section 10-213 of the Zoning Ordinance be, and the same hereby is, amended by deleting and inserting new language, as shown

Sec. 10-213 Administrative approval of certain permits. The director may review and approve applications for the following exterior changes, provided they comply with the specific criteria and standards outlined and formally approved by the board.

(a) Signs;
(b) Minor architectural elements, such as residential accessibility structures; sheds; storm doors; gutters and downspouts; utility meters, vents and HVAC condensers; fences and gates; exterior lighting and shutters; siding and trim; railings; and, antennas.

Section 3. That Section 10-316 of the Zoning Ordinance be, and the same hereby is, added by inserting new language, as shown

Sec. 10-316 Administrative approval of certain permits. The director may review and approve applications for minor architectural elements, such as residential accessibility structures; sheds; storm doors; gutters and downspouts; utility meters, vents and HVAC condensers; fences and gates; exterior lighting and shutters; siding and trim; railings; and, antennas, provided they comply with the specific criteria and standards outlined and formally approved by the board.

Section 4. That the director of planning and zoning be, and hereby is, directed to record the foregoing text amendments.

Section 5. That Sections 10-113, 10-213, and 10-316, as amended pursuant to Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this ordinance, be, and the same hereby are, reordained as part of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall become effective on the date and at the time of its final passage, and shall apply to all applications for land use, land development or subdivision approval provided for under the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance which may be filed after such date, and shall apply to all other facts and circumstances subject to the provisions of the City of Alexandria Zoning Ordinance, except as may be provided in Article XII of the Zoning Ordinance.

WILLIAM D. EUILLE
Mayor