

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE to amend and reordain the first paragraph and last paragraph of subsection (a) of Section 42-24, to further amend said subsection (a) by adding thereto a new paragraph, and to amend Section 42-24 by adding thereto a new subsection (d), all of Article IV, Chapter 42 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended; which Chapter 42 relates to ZONING, which Article IV relates to ADDITIONAL USE, AREA, ETC., REGULATIONS, which Section 42-24 relates to SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS AND EXCEPTIONS AS TO HEIGHT, HEIGHT DISTRICT, which subsection (a) relates to HEIGHT DISTRICTS, which first paragraph relates to DIVISION INTO HEIGHT DISTRICTS, which last paragraph relates to BOUNDARIES OF HEIGHT DISTRICT 2, which new paragraph relates to BOUNDARIES OF HEIGHT DISTRICT 2A, and which new subsection (d) relates to HEIGHT LIMITS IN HEIGHT DISTRICT 2A (George Washington Masonic Memorial Vicinity.)

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That the first paragraph and last paragraph of subsection (a), Section 42-24, Article IV, Chapter 42 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby are amended and reordained to read as follows:

(a) Height district. The city is hereby divided into * three height districts which shall be known as Height District No. 1, * Height District No. 2 and Height District No. 2A. The boundaries of Height District No. 1 shall be as follows:

The boundaries of Height District No. 2 shall be as follows:

All of that portion of the city not included within the boundaries of Height District No. 1 and Height District No. 2A.

Section 2. That subsection (a), Section 42-24, Article IV, Chapter 42 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended by adding thereto a new paragraph to read as follows:

The boundaries of Height District No. 2A (George Washington Masonic Memorial Vicinity) shall be as follows:

Beginning at a point, such point being the intersection of the center line of Duke Street with the center line of Callahan Drive; thence westward along the center line of Duke Street to the center line of Moncure Drive; thence northward along the center line of Moncure Drive to the center line of Upland Place; thence north-eastwardly along the center line of Upland Place to the center line of King Street; thence southeastwardly along the center line of King Street to the center line of Callahan Drive; thence south-westwardly along the center line of Callahan Drive to the point of beginning.

Section 3. That Section 42-24, Article IV, Chapter 42 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and

the same hereby is amended by adding thereto a new subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) Height limits in Height District No. 2A (George Washington Masonic Memorial Vicinity). In Height District No. 2A (George Washington Masonic Memorial Vicinity) the maximum height of any building shall not exceed ten stories and in any case said ten stories shall not be in excess of one hundred feet above the average finished grade at the building except as follows:

(1) Chimneys, towers, tanks, machinery, equipment, penthouses or other necessary mechanical appurtenances to a main structure may be erected as a part of the main building to their required heights, regardless of any other height provisions or restrictions of this chapter.

(2) No building shall exceed the maximum height set forth in subsection (d) of this section, and in addition, the allowable height of a building at any point shall not exceed twice the distance from the face of the building at that point to the center line of the street facing such building.

(3) All radio and television reception or transmission structure extending in excess of seventy-five feet above the ground or thirty feet above the roof of the building to which it is attached, whichever may be the greater, shall be permitted only with a special use permit, as specified in sections 42-68 to 42-71.

Section 4. That in the opinion of the city council an emergency exists and this ordinance is hereby declared an EMERGENCY ORDINANCE so that the city can immediately seek to encourage development of the open land areas in the vicinity adjacent to the George Washington Masonic Memorial, thereby protecting the value of surrounding properties, their access to light and air and limiting the traffic congestion, as well as protecting the focal point of the city from unnecessary intrusion.

Section 5. That this EMERGENCY ORDINANCE shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The clerk of the council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage.

Charles E. Beatley, Jr.
Mayor

FINAL PASSAGE: JULY 29, 1969

N.B. Underlining is not a part of the ordinance but merely denotes new or changed material; asterisks denote deletions.