

ORDINANCE NO. 1933

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain subsections (h) and (1) of Section 30-11 and subsection (e) of Section 30-12.1, Chapter 30 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended; which Chapter 30 relates to SITE PLANS, which Section 30-11 relates to REQUIREMENTS, REGULATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS GENERALLY, which subsection (h) relates to COLLECTION AND DISPOSITION OF ON AND OFF-SITE WATER, which subsection (1) relates to BUILDING FOR RESIDENTIAL USE IN FLOOD PLAIN, which Section 30-12.1 relates to SAME - PAYMENT, and which subsection (e) relates to NATURAL STREAMS AND CHANNELS.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That subsection (h), Section 30-11, Chapter 30 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

(h) Adequate provision shall be made for the collection and disposition of all on and off-site storm water and natural water, including but not limited to on-site drainage retention facilities. Natural drainage ways shall be used when it is reasonably practicable to do so and improvements shall be made to such ways in accordance with good engineering practice when in the opinion of the director of public works good engineering practice indicates improvements.

Section 2. That subsection (1), Section 30-11, Chapter 30 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

(1) No building for any residential use shall be allowed within a one hundred year flood plain, unless there is first a change in elevation placing the lowest habitable floor of any such building above the flood plain and unless the waterway involved has been improved in accordance with good engineering practice acceptable to the director of public works. This shall not be construed to allow buildings in flood plains where the city council by ordinance or resolution has declared otherwise.

Section 3. That subsection (e), Section 30-12.1, Chapter 30 of The Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, 1963, as amended, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

(e) Natural streams and channels - Where a natural stream or channel abuts or crosses the site and a portion of the site to be used is within the flood plain of such stream or channel, the owner or developer shall be required at his expense to improve such stream or channel to the extent necessary to provide sufficient waterway to carry the projected one hundred year flood for such stream or channel.

Only a corporate surety bond, for at least the sum estimated to be the full cost of the required improvements, of a company authorized to do business in the state, or a cash escrow for the estimated full amount of improvements, shall be deemed to be a satisfactory guarantee.

Width of streets shall be governed by the requirements of Section 34-17.

Section 4. That the title of and an informal memorandum explaining this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation published 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 city clerk shall have the full text of this ordinance printed in sufficient numbers to supply copies to meet request. The city clerk 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: APRIL 23, 1974