

RESOLUTION OF INTENT

WHEREAS, the Target Industry Study, endorsed by the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors on May 2, 2012, identifies Bioscience and Medical Devices, Business and Financial Services, Information Technology and Defense Security, and Agribusiness, Food Processing and Related Technology as the four industry groups that have the strongest potential in Albemarle County to succeed and offer the best prospects for jobs that offer a higher quality of life by providing security, higher wages, training, and flexibility (the “Target Industries”); and

WHEREAS, a preliminary survey by County staff has found that there presently may be inadequate land in Albemarle County with access to major transportation facilities, access to multi-directional transportation corridors, proximity or immediate access to public utilities, and proximity to downtown Charlottesville and the University of Virginia that is both planned and zoned to accommodate the Target Industries; and

WHEREAS, the lands generally southwest of the existing Development Area boundary south and east of the future County park between Interstate 64 and US Route 29 South, extending to the approximate location of the third crossover on Route 29 South that is south of the Interstate 64 interchange, may possess the foregoing qualities of access and proximity (the “Lands”); and

WHEREAS, it is desired to study the Lands for the purpose of considering whether to amend the Comprehensive Plan by expanding the Development Areas and designating the Lands to appropriate land use designations that would accommodate Target Industries and to identify preserved land that may complement the future County park in the vicinity (the “Study”).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT for purposes of public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good land use planning practices, the Albemarle County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts a resolution to consider amending the land use designation of the Lands as described herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Study shall be conducted by County staff and shall include, but not be limited to: (1) determining the minimum requirements for suitable land to accommodate one or more Target Industries; (2) assessing the physical characteristics of the Lands and identifying developable land and land that should be preserved; (3) determining the adequacy of the existing transportation system, including points of access, and utility infrastructure to accommodate developing the developable land for Target Industries; and (4) identifying necessary transportation and utility infrastructure improvements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Study shall include a recommendation as to whether the Development Areas should be expanded to include the Lands and, if it should be expanded, recommendations for: (1) the boundaries of the expansion area; (2) the appropriate land use designations to allow Target Industries; (3) the location and size of resource preservation areas, including areas adjacent to the future County park; and (4) necessary transportation and utility infrastructure improvements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT County staff shall conduct at least one community meeting as part of the Study and the amendment to the Comprehensive Plan being considered therein before the Planning Commission conducts its public hearing on the matter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning Commission shall forward its recommendation on the amendment to the Comprehensive Plan being considered herein to the Board of Supervisors no later than September 1, 2015.

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I, Ella W. Jordan, do hereby certify that the foregoing writing is a true, correct copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the Board of Supervisors of Albemarle County, Virginia, by a vote of _____ to _____, as recorded below, at a regular meeting held on _____.

Clerk, Board of County Supervisors

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Mr. Boyd	_____	_____
Ms. Dittmar	_____	_____
Ms. Mallek	_____	_____
Ms. McKeel	_____	_____
Ms. Palmer	_____	_____
Mr. Sheffield	_____	_____