

CITY OF NEWPORT

RESOLUTION
OF THE
COUNCIL

No.

WHEREAS, The Mixed-Use, Innovation land-use designation, identified in the North End Urban Plan , and the Innovation District is in Newport's North End, surrounding the existing Pell Bridge ramp right-of-way; AND

WHEREAS, The intent of this land use category is to support the development of incubator/accelerator type businesses focused on climate-change resilience and mitigation, maritime, alternative energy, defense, and information-technology industries; their supporting sub-sectors; associated training and job creation centers; as well as ancillary financial, commercial, retail and hospitality services; AND

WHEREAS, There are serious concerns that the North End Urban Plan and the associated zoning will negatively impact the neighborhoods within the North End, thereby compromising equitable development; AND

WHEREAS, Such redevelopment is already underway and causing community impacts; AND

WHEREAS, The council unanimously agreed to have amendments drafted by residents, community stakeholders, and small businesses reviewed by the Planning Board;
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, The Planning Board will review the proposed amendments and provide the council with recommendations on adoption by no later than March 2022.

ANGELA MCCALLA
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IN COUNCIL

READ AND PASSED

Laura C. Swistak
City Clerk