ARTICLE 26

SEVERABILITY, REPEAL, EFFECTIVE DATE, AND ADOPTION

Section 26.01   Severability.

If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or provision of this Ordinance or application thereof is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining portion or application, or validity of this Ordinance as a whole. It is hereby declared that the legislative intent would have been to adopt this Ordinance as if the invalid provision had not been included.

Section 26.02   Repeal of Previous Ordinances.

All previous zoning ordinances adopted by the City of Richmond, and all amendments thereto, are hereby repealed as of the effective date of this Ordinance, together with all other ordinances, or parts thereof, that conflict with this Ordinance.

However, no offense committed nor penalty incurred prior to the effective date of this Ordinance shall be affected or impaired:

1.   Any prosecution pending at the time this Ordinance becomes effective may be tried and determined exactly as if such ordinance has not been repealed.

2.   Any prosecution started within 365 calendar days after the effective date of this Ordinance in consequence of any violation of any ordinance repealed herein, which was committed previous to the effective date of this Ordinance, may be tried and determined exactly as if such ordinance has not been repealed.

Section 26.03   Adoption.

This Ordinance was adopted as Ordinance No. 156 by the City Council of the City of Richmond at its regular meeting duly held on the eighteenth day of April, 2005 following compliance with all procedures required by the City and Village Zoning Act (P.A. 207 of 1921, as amended), and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Section 26.04   Effective Date.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to be effective as of the third day of May, 2005, following publication of the notice of adoption in accordance with the City and Village Zoning Act (P.A. 207 of 1921, as amended).