TOWN OF HERNDON, VIRGINIA
TOWN COUNCIL

RESOLUTION

AUGUST 25, 2026

Resolution- to initiate consideration of a Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment ZOTA #26-05 to amend Chapter 78 (ZONING), Article VI (Overlay Districts), Section 78-60.3 (Historic District Overlay (HDO)) to clarify the existing language providing the ability of the Historic District Review Board (HDRB) to grant setback reductions to certain properties within the HDO and to allow the HDRB to grant greater setback reductions than what is currently permitted under this section when appropriate with certain standards within the HDO, and clarify that the setback reduction process is separate and exempt from the Certificate of Appropriateness requirement.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Herndon, Virginia that:

1. The Town Council initiates an amendment to Chapter 78 (ZONING), Article VI (Overlay Districts), Section 78-60.3 (Historic District Overlay (HDO)) to clarify the existing language providing the ability of the Historic District Review Board (HDRB) to grant setback reductions to all single-family detached residential properties within the HDO, to allow the HDRB to grant greater setback reductions than what is currently permitted under this section when appropriate with certain standards, to accommodate new primary dwellings, new outbuildings or accessory structures, and additions to existing buildings within the HDO, and clarify that the setback reduction process is separate and exempt from the Certificate of Appropriateness requirement.

2. The public necessity, convenience, general welfare, and good zoning practice, require the Town Council's consideration of this proposed amendment.

3. The amendment is referred to the Planning Commission for its consideration, public hearing, and recommendation in accordance with Va. Code §15.2-2285(B) and Town Code Sec. 78-155.2(d).