

May 25, 2023

The Honorable Blaine A. Griffin
President Cleveland City Council
601 Lakeside Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44114

Subject: Legislation to be Passed Under Suspension on June 5, 2023

Dear Council President Griffin:

We are requesting the following ordinance to be passed under suspension at the first reading on June 5, 2023, to authorize a contract extension on an existing agreement (Contract No. PS 2019-138):

Authorizing the Director of City Planning to extend Contract No. PS 2019-138 with Code Studio, Inc. until December 31, 2023, to provide professional services for the City's form-based zoning code efforts.

Passage of this legislation on June 5th is critical to allow for Code Studio, Inc. to continue working with Planning Commission staff members as their current contract extension ends June 30, 2023. We will continue to need their expertise after June 30, 2023 through our public comment period, editing period and legislative process later this fall.

The proposed form-based zoning code will update the City's 90-year old zoning code, expand the "repertoire" of allowable developments, including middle density housing forms, and provide clear expectations to developers and community members for development patterns.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact me at (216) 664-3468.

Sincerely,

Joyce P. Huang

Planning Director, City Planning Commission

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