



STAFF REPORT ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION

To: Mayor Gavin Buckley

From: Sally Nash, Acting Director/Chief Comprehensive Planning

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Subject: O-35-19 Waterfront Maritime Conservation District

This legislation amends the Table of Uses for the Maritime zoning districts to allow seafood industrial and food service marts in the WMC district.

The proposed additional uses are allowed in other maritime districts.

The WMC District encompasses the “City Dock “ section of downtown and includes Susan Campbell Park, the walkway around Ego Alley, the Donner Parking Lot, 110 Compromise Street, the Fleet Reserve Club, the Marriott Hotel, and the Annapolis Yacht Club.

Established in 1087, the purpose of the WMC zone was “to provide a location for maritime-related activities, including docks and slips; public access, recreational uses; and views of the waterfront in an attractive environment which supports and is harmonious with the interrelationship of the historic urban core, the waterfront and adjacent commercial and residential uses.”

The additional uses are proposed to strengthen the connection of the WMC zone to the maritime industry by promoting the maritime function and enhancing the historic maritime character of the City Dock.

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