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Planning Commission Reporting Form For Municipal Bylaw Amendments (Creation of Airport Overlay District)

This report is in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §4441 (c) which states:

When considering an amendment to a bylaw, the planning commission shall prepare and approve a written report on the proposal. A single report may be prepared so as to satisfy the requirements of this subsection concerning bylaw amendments and subsection 4384 (c) of this title concerning plan amendments...The report shall provide:

(A) Brief explanation of the proposed amendment and...include a statement of purpose as required for notice under §4444 of this title:

The proposed amendment is to establish an Airport Overlay District in order to prevent possible negative impacts from land development on flight approach paths to Burlington International Airport

And shall include findings regarding how the proposal:

1. Conforms with or furthers the goals and policies contained in the municipal plan, including the effect of the proposal on the availability of safe and affordable housing:

The proposed zoning amendment would benefit both the town and the regional and state transportation infrastructure. The proposed amendment would bring awareness to property owners of possible land development that could interfere with air transportation, and allow them to mitigate all possible negative impacts prior to any land development. In addition, clearing airspace for air transportation would improve the safety and resiliency of the air transportation infrastructure.

The 2018 Richmond Town Plan includes the following goals:

- Reduce disruptions, injuries, and asset loss due to natural and man-made emergencies (Emergency Resilience Goal #1)
- Increase the resilience of transportation infrastructure (Transportation Goal #3)
- 2. *Is compatible with proposed future land uses and densities of the municipal plan:*

This proposed zoning amendment would not affect future land uses and densities within the applicable areas within Town.

3. Carries out, as applicable, any specific proposals for any planned community facilities:

This proposed zoning amendment does not carry out any specific proposals for planned community facilities and it would not impact any plans for community facilities.