



# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Councilmember Raul Peralez

**SUBJECT:** SEE BELOW

**DATE:** February 25, 2019

Approved by:

Date: 02/25/19

**SUBJECT: Conforming Rezoning for Real Property Located at the Northwest Corner of Fox Avenue and North First Street.**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Accept staff recommendation and:

1. Direct Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Services (PRNS) to partner with the applicant to ensure that future residents are educated about the City's therapeutic services.
2. Request that the developer conduct a robust community engagement process exceeding Council Policy 6-30.

## **BACKGROUND**

My office has been working with the Kelsey as they plan for "a first of its kind fully inclusive mixed ability, mixed income housing community".<sup>1</sup> The Kelsey has shared their interest in providing affordable and market-rate housing units for residents with developmental disabilities across all incomes. In addition to the housing funds that the City has awarded the applicant, this is an exciting opportunity for our City's therapeutic services team to work with the applicant to provide insight on the needs of our mixed-ability community. This site is also a point of interest for the Vendome and Hensley Historic community and the Kelsey has already begun proactive engagement with community members. We look forward to working with the Kelsey to continue outreach and community building with our existing residents.

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.thekelsey.org/averstation>