

City of Dover

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2015-01

A RESOLUTION PROPOSING THE DOVER PROSPERS INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, the City of Dover has a tradition of being friendly to business, having a diverse economy; and

WHEREAS, we are in a globally competitive environment, which necessitates that we adopt cutting-edge, best practices; and

WHEREAS, the Dover has a myriad of incentives which vary throughout the city; and

WHEREAS, small businesses are often intimidated by a maze of government requirements; and

WHEREAS, several small businesses have made costly errors because of the lack of information; and

WHEREAS, large employers are attracted by an efficient, cooperative government; and

WHEREAS, the economic development office has positive, cooperative relationships with the other city departments and already has the framework necessary to implement this initiative; and

WHEREAS, each city department has an ethic of customer service and excellence; and

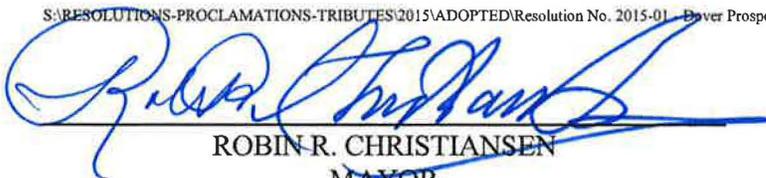
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. Dover City Council directs the Economic Development Office, the City Manager, and the Director of Planning and Community Development to develop and make available at customer service locations, offices, and via the City of Dover website, a business packet designed to assist start-up businesses with obtaining services and regulatory requirements involved in doing business in Dover. The packet shall include a contact list for all City departments, a list of frequently asked questions, incentive information, and other services to assist prospective business owners.

Section 2. Dover City Council directs the City Manager's Office, Economic Development Office, and Planning and Inspections Department to schedule a series of business focus groups to prioritize improvements needed in Dover's regulatory process and to work with stakeholders to streamline the regulatory process and update regulations where appropriate to eliminate unnecessary barriers to economic development. The City Manager, Economic Development Manager, and the Director of Planning and Community Development shall provide a quarterly report to the Legislative, Finance and Administration Committee regarding the progress of this effort.

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Actions History

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