

# City of Dover

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL**

## COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2014-13

### **A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR DESIGNATION AS A DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

**WHEREAS**, under the Downtown Development Districts Act, 22 Del.C. §§ 1901 et seq. (the "Act"), the State of Delaware may designate districts within Delaware's cities, towns, and unincorporated areas that will qualify for significant development incentives and other State benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, these districts are known as Downtown Development Districts ("Districts"); and

**WHEREAS**, the State is accepting applications for the designation of the initial round of Districts, with such applications being due on November 1, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, under the Act, each applicant must submit a plan that includes the boundaries of, and a detailed planning and development strategy for, the proposed District (the "District Plan"); and

**WHEREAS**, under the Act, each applicant must also propose incentives that address local economic and community conditions, and that will help achieve the purposes set forth in the Act (the "Local Incentives"); and

**WHEREAS**, if an application is successful and the City receives District designation, the District Plan and Local Incentives proposed by an applicant shall be binding upon the applicant; and

**WHEREAS**, the incentives associated with designation as a Downtown Development District would greatly benefit current and future residents, businesses, non-profit organizations, and others within the City of Dover; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Dover strongly believes that it is in the best interest of the City of Dover to apply for District designation.

### **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

1. The City Council supports the Application for Designation as a Downtown Development District prepared by the Dover Planning Office and dated October 27, 2014 (the "Application"); and
2. The City of Dover is authorized to appoint a District administrator (the "Administrator") to file the Application on behalf of the City, and to provide such other documents and information as may be necessary or desirable in connection with the Application; and

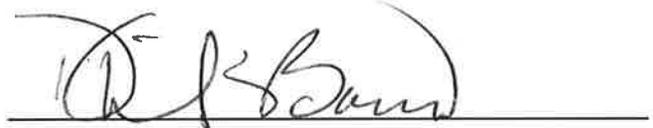
- 3. If the Application is successful and the City of Dover receives notice that it has been selected for designation as a District:
  - a. The City shall adhere to the District Plan and the Local Incentives contained in the Application for the duration of the District designation; and
  - b. The Administrator, or his or her designee(s), is authorized to execute such documents and enter into such agreements as may be necessary or desirable in connection with the Downtown Development Districts program and the rights and obligations of the City of Dover thereunder; and
  - c. The Administrator, or his or her designee(s), is authorized to carry out all District administrative and reporting requirements on behalf of the City of Dover for the duration of the District.

ADOPTED: OCTOBER 27, 2014

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