

September 5, 2019

Steven Karp, MA, GISP Geographic Information Systems NJ Business Action Center Office for Planning Advocacy 33 W. State St., 4th Floor P.O. Box 820 Trenton, NJ 08625-0820

RE: Plan Endorsement, Center Designation

Dear Mr. Karp,

We received a letter in February of this year, addressed to my predecessor the Honorable William P. James, informing us of the coming expiration of our status as a designated Center. Please accept this letter on behalf of the City of Gloucester to express our interest in seeking to retain our current designation as a Center, and all the potential benefits associated with such a designation. We would like to request to begin the process of plan endorsement and center designation, with the required prepetition meeting between representatives of Gloucester City, and representatives of the State of New Jersey Office of Planning Advocacy, and other applicable agencies.

Please also find attached to this letter a compilation of all of our current planning documents in PDF format, including the following:

- Gloucester City Comprehensive Master Plan, adopted May 2018
- A copy of our zoning and land use ordinance
- Zoning Map
- All current redevelopment plans
- Annual Reports of the Planning/Zoning Board
- Land Use Map
- Recreation and Open Space Inventory (ROSI)

We understand that this process may be lengthy, but look forward to working with the OPA and any other state agencies in maintaining our designation as a center, and moving forward with the State and County as partners in the continued revitalization of Gloucester City.

Sincerely,

Daniel T. Spencer, Mayor

CC: Jack Lipsett, City Manager

Lori Ryan,

Chris Dochney, PP, AICP, CME Associates, City Planner