

Wilmington, Delaware  
January 18, 2018

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Sponsor:

Council  
Member  
Oliver

**WHEREAS**, the Main Street model is considered one of the many economic and community development tools used by a locality, and that successful revitalization requires an on-going commitment, continuous attention and full public-private partnership; and

**WHEREAS**, the Delaware Economic Development Office has established the Downtown Delaware Commercial District Affiliate status to assist localities in developing public/private efforts to revitalize their downtown commercial areas; and

**WHEREAS**, interested Delaware cities, towns and communities that are exploring downtown revitalization, including those that may not be eligible or do not desire to meet the “Accredited Main Street USDA requirements” may participate as an Affiliate; and

**WHEREAS**, Affiliate communities have access to Delaware Downtown training opportunities and limited on-site assistance, as resources permit; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to continue developing the Brandywine Village area and to further economically revitalize the community within the context of the Main Street approach, the City of Wilmington supports the application of the Old Brandywine Village, Inc. in their pursuit to participate in the Delaware Economic Development Office’s Delaware Commercial District Affiliate Program, and has completed the necessary application.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON**, that the City Council supports the joint application of the City of Wilmington and the Old Brandywine Village, Inc. to participate in the Delaware Economic Development Office’s Delaware Commercial District Affiliate Program.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON**, that resources permitting, the City of Wilmington fully intends to actively support and implement the initiatives developed as a result of Commercial District Affiliate status.

Passed by City Council,

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

Approved as to form this 16<sup>th</sup>  
day of January 2018.

*Elizabeth D. Power*  
Senior Assistant City Solicitor

**SYNOPSIS:** This Resolution demonstrates City Council's support for the joint application of the City of Wilmington and the Old Brandywine village, Inc. to participate in the Delaware Economic Development Office's Delaware Commercial District Affiliate Program.