

R E S O L U T I O N

APPROVING THE PLAN ENDORSEMENT GUIDELINES

WHEREAS, the State Planning Commission has been created pursuant to the State Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 52:18A-196 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Act requires that the State Planning Commission prepare, revise, and readopt a State Development and Redevelopment Plan every three years, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its responsibilities under the State Planning Act, the State Planning Commission did prepare and adopt a State Development and Redevelopment Plan on March 1, 2001, and

WHEREAS, the 2001 State Development and Redevelopment Plan introduced a process for implementing the State Development and Redevelopment Plan entitled Plan Endorsement, defined as the process undertaken by regional agencies, counties and municipalities to have Master Plans, Municipal Strategic Revitalizations Plans, Urban Complex Strategic Revitalization Plans and Regional Strategic Plans endorsed by the State Planning Commission, and

WHEREAS, to properly carry out this process, the State Planning Commission has adopted regulations, set forth at N.J.A.C. 5:85-1.1 et seq., in order to establish an orderly and efficient process for the endorsement of Master Plans, Municipal Strategic Revitalization Plans, Urban Complex Strategic Revitalization Plans, and Regional Strategic Plans, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to these regulations, the Office of Smart Growth has prepared Plan Endorsement Guidelines for the purpose of providing guidance to petitioners, State agencies and the State Planning Commission in undertaking the Plan Endorsement process, and

WHEREAS, the Office of Smart Growth has solicited comment and input from county and municipal officials and the public with regard to the form and the content of the Plan Endorsement Guidelines, and

WHEREAS, the Plan Implementation Committee of the State Planning Commission has also reviewed the form and the content of the Plan Endorsement Guidelines, and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Commission, having considered the comments of the county and municipal officials, the Commission's Plan Implementation Committee, and other interested parties, has concluded that the Plan Endorsement Guidelines will serve to assist in and facilitate the implementation of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the State Planning Commission approves the Plan Endorsement Guidelines dated April 27, 2004 for use by the participants in the cross-acceptance process to be undertaken for the purpose of adoption of a new State Development and Redevelopment Plan.

Certification

This Resolution was adopted by the New Jersey State Planning Commission at its meeting held on Wednesday, April 28, 2004. Ayes: (9) Michele Byers, Joanna Dunn Samson, John Eskilson, Curtis Fisher, Monique Purcell, Jim Lewis, Marge DellaVecchia, Daniel Levine, George Pruitt. Nays: (0). Abstains: (1) David Fisher.

Adam Zellner, Secretary
NJ State Planning Commission

Dated: April 28, 2004