



## MAYOR AND COUNCIL

### COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2021-07

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR A COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING GRANT TO DEVELOP A REUSE PLAN FOR THE EXISTING DOVER UNITED STATES POST OFFICE FACILITY AND SITE**

**WHEREAS**, the existing United States Post Office at 55 Lookerman Plaza is an essential element of Dover's downtown, having been an identifying feature in its current location on Lookerman Street since 1960; and

**WHEREAS**, the existing Dover Post Office facility is obsolete and on an insufficiently large site to support postal operations, requiring the United States Postal Service (USPS) to construct a new, modern retail and carrier operations facility on Bank Lane, thereby causing the existing facility to become available for other uses; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2019 the City and the USPS exercised provisions of a prior agreement providing for the Post Office to vacate the site with the property reverting to the City of Dover once it is no longer in use, thereby creating an opportunity for another community purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, Federal funding is available from the Community Project Funding Grant program through the House Committee on Appropriations for community-based projects of genuine need across the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, a comprehensive assessment and reuse plan is needed to determine the best uses of the facility and property, to include a structural analysis of the facility, a preliminary environmental assessment, a community outreach process, development of conceptual plans, architectural renderings, demolition/construction cost estimates, and such other information as is required to guide a reuse project.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Dover, Delaware, that the City Manager or his designee be authorized to apply for a Community Project Funding Grant to develop a reuse plan for the existing Dover Post Office facility and site.

**ADOPTED:** APRIL 12, 2021

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#### Action History

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