

August 22, 2017

Ms. Pamela Ulmer Deputy City Clerk **City Managers Office** City of Harrisonburg, Virginia 409 South Main St Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Dear Ms. Ulmer,

Thank you for your participation in leading the region's economic future through the City of Harrisonburg's contribution to the Shenandoah Valley Partnership. Exciting new projects over the previous year added quality to our business mix and enthusiasm to our marketing efforts. The public and private sector throughout the Valley worked collaboratively to announce 483 new jobs and invest over \$163 million in new projects and expansions.

The City of Harrisonburg's current appointed SVP Board member is Mr. Brian Shull. We value Mr. Shull's experience, knowledge, and insight on the Board as we launch forward together to advance economic opportunities for our region. All Directors of the Board are expected to participate in the activities of the Partnership, including the Spring and Fall Connect Events, bi-annual Economic Development Forums and quarterly Board of Director Meetings typically held in January, April, July and October. The Partnership is cognizant of our members' time and schedule Board of Director Meetings in conjunction with other Partnership events when possible.

As Mr. Shull's current term on the SVP Board of Directors comes to an end, the SVP Executive Committee has nominated him for another two-year term, to expire June 30, 2019. We value your representation on our Board and appreciate your appointment of a member who has the capacity to devote time and attention to these commitments. Please let us know if that representation will remain with Mr. Shull.

We request the City of Harrisonburg's response by September 13th for official reappointment at the October Board meeting. If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at (540) 568-3100.

Sincerely,

Carrie Chenery Executive Director

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