

**RICHMOND SELECTBOARD RESOLUTION
REGARDING RICHMOND VILLAGE CENTER DESIGNATION RENEWAL**

WHEREAS, Richmond’s village was approved as a Village Center Designation by the Vermont Downtown Board in 2003 and renewed in 2008; and renewed in 2013. Richmond’s designation expired in 2018 prior to the passage of the town plan

WHEREAS, the Town of Richmond has benefitted from the Village Center Designation through the availability of tax credit programs for commercial property owners to restore and improve historic buildings and through enhanced competitiveness in applying for selected state and federal programs

WHEREAS, the Town of Richmond 2018 Town Plan seeks to “Study the potential for expanding Richmond’s village center, the benefits of the Designated Downtown program, and renew the Village Center Designation”; and seeks to “Reapply for the State of Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development’s Village Center Designation”

WHEREAS, based on Planning Commission recommendation, the Selectboard voted unanimously on February 19th, 2019 to reapply for the Richmond Village Center Designation, without any changes to the former boundary as depicted in the February 2019 Richmond Village Center Designation map

Now, therefore be it resolved,

The Richmond Selectboard authorizes the submission of the application for Richmond Village Center Designation to the Vermont Downtown Program.

Adopted this 19th day of February 2019.

Town of Richmond Selectboard

Chair, Bard Hill

Vice-Chair, David Sander

Christy Witters

Roger Brown

Stephen Ackerman