RESOLUTION NO. 3111

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND DECLARING THAT 106 NORTH DIVISION STREET LLC IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE ENTERPRISE ZONE BENEFITS FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 106 N DIVISION STREET, SALISBURY MD.

WHEREAS the City of Salisbury, Maryland and Wicomico County created an Enterprise Zone on June 6, 1983 for the purpose of encouraging economic development of the area encompassed within the boundaries of such zone; and

WHEREAS the Enterprise Zone was created under authority granted by the State of Maryland; and

WHEREAS the State Code permits certain benefits to be extended to businesses that locate or expand in the Enterprise Zone provided that they meet certain standards; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury and Wicomico County have also established certain standards, which must be met in order for a business to be deemed eligible to receive Enterprise Zone benefits; and

WHEREAS,106 North Division Street LLC meets the standards set forth in the State Code and in local regulations to be eligible to receive Enterprise Zone benefits; and

WHEREAS, Bret Davis, representing 106 North Division Street LLC has requested that the company be designated as eligible for Enterprise Zone benefits because of its investment of more than \$50,000 at their property located in the zone at 106 N Division Street and/or for their hiring of two or more new full-time employees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland that 106 North Division Street LLC be designated as eligible to receive the benefits of the Enterprise Zone effective upon the adoption of this resolution.

The above Resolution was introduced and read and passed at the regular meeting of the Salisbury City Council on the 28th day of June, 2021.

Kimberly R. Nichols

CITY CLERK

John R. Heath

PRESIDENT, City Council

John R. Hento

APPROVED by me this

30th day of June

2021.

MAYOR, City of Salisbury

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Office of the Business Development

To: City Council From: Laura Soper

Subject: Enterprise Zone Eligibility – 106 North Division Street LLC

Date: June 28, 2021

Attached is a copy of the application requesting Enterprise Zone designation for 106 North Division Street LLC that I received from Bret Davis. I have reviewed this application and, to the best of my knowledge, this establishment meets all of the qualifications to be so designated. This property is located within the boundaries of the City's Enterprise Zone, and this company has invested more than \$50,000 in the property and/or has hired (or will hire) two or more NEW full time employees since locating in the Enterprise Zone.

I recommend that the City Council adopt the attached resolution designating 106 North Division Street LLC located at 106 N Division Street, eligible to receive the benefits of the Enterprise Zone.

As a reminder, companies that are declared eligible for enterprise zone benefits are able to receive either a one time Income Tax Credit of \$1,000 per new employee hired or a 10 year Property Tax Credit. The purpose of this program is to encourage industries to locate in areas identified as enterprise zones and to reinvest in such properties.

cc: Mayor Day Julia Glanz Kim Nichols

Attachments

Application for Maryland State Enterprise Zone Certification in

Salisbury-Wicomico County, Maryland

This application will determine whether your business, property, or developer is eligible for Maryland Enterprise Zone tax credits. If determined to be eligible, you will receive a letter from the Enterprise Zone Administrator indicating which tax credit(s) you are eligible to receive.

Applying For:	
Income Tax Credit	
Real Property Tax Credit	\checkmark
Personal Property Tax Cre	edit (Applies only to Focus Area Zones)
This Section is to be filled by Local Zor	ne Administrators Only

The Real Property Credit

A ten-year credit against local property taxes is available to companies that locate, expand, or substantially improve business properties in the Enterprise Zone. The property tax credit is equal to 80% of the difference between the base value of the property (the assessment in the year prior to new construction, expansion, or substantial improvement) and the newly assessed value of the property after the investment is made. The property tax credit is 80% for five years. During the last five years, the property tax credit declines 10% annually; the credit is 70%, 60%, 50%, 40%, and 30% respectively. This tax credit is administered to the real property owner in their Property Taxes.

Necessary Qualifications

- Applicant must plan to make a capital investment in its property of \$50,000 or more
- Applicant should be mindful of having a base assessment done before commencing work
- Applicant should apply after receiving all required building permits and before or at the beginning of construction.
- Only commercial properties may apply, any portion of the property devoted to residential use may not receive the credit
- In order to receive a property tax credit for the next taxable year (beginning on July 1 when the
 tax bill is issued), the local Zone Administrator must certify to the Department of Assessments
 and Taxation the eligibility of a particular business by no later than the end of the preceding
 calendar year on December 31st.
- The granting of an Enterprise Zone property tax credit is affected by the timing of the completion of capital improvements, the assessment cycle, and how the improvements are assessed. (I.E. the improvement must change the value of the real property)
- The law states that the credit shall be granted to the "owner" of a qualified property. In cases
 where a lessee make the capital improvements, the lessees should make a contractual
 provisions with the owner of the qualified property regarding receipt of the property tax credit.

The State Income Credit

This credit is applied to your state income taxes, and its value is based on the number and type of new employees hired by the business. To receive the credit the business must meet the following:

- Must have hired two or more employees that meet necessary qualifications
- Must have been hired after the date on which the Enterprise Zone was designated or the date
 on which the business relocated in the Enterprise Zone, whichever is later.
- Must be filling a new position or replacing an employee who was previously certified as economically disadvantaged
- Must have been employed at least 35 hours a week for at least six months
- Must be paid at least 150% of the federal minimum wage throughout his or her employment by a business entity before or during the taxable year for which the entity claims a credit
- Must have spent at least half of his or her working hours in the Enterprise Zone or on activities directly resulting from the business location in the zone
- Must be a new employee or an employee rehired after being laid off by the business for more than one year

There are two types of income tax credits. If the employee is not economically disadvantaged, you may qualify for a one-time credit of \$1,000 per employee. If the employee is economically disadvantaged (as determined by the Maryland Jobs Service), you may take a credit up to \$3,000 of the employee's wages in the first year of employment. The credit is \$2,000 in the second year, and \$1,000 in the third. Once/if you have been certified, you can claim these credits upon filing a Tax Return.

- To be eligible, an applicant must answer all questions in Sections A and B
- If applying for the "Property" tax credit, please complete Section C
- If applying for the "Employment (income)" tax credit, please complete Section D
- If the account is located in Focus Area and you are applying for the "Personal Property" tax credit, please complete Section E

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Section A: Applicant Information

Name of Business / Developer applying for Enterprise Zone credits: 106 North Division Street LLC
Name of Contact Person: Bret Davis
Title: Owner
Phone: 240-994-6481
Email: bdavis@davis-strategic.com
Mailing Address: 318 W. Carroll Street Suite A Salisbury, MD 21801
Section B: Enterprise Zone Property Information Enterprise Zone Property Address: 106 N. Division Street Salisbury, MD 21801 Property Tax Account Number: 09-047069 Property Ownership: 100% Lease: Own: X
Section C: Enterprise Zone Property Improvements Information
To be eligible for Enterprise Zone property tax credits, the application must be submitted prior to the project completion date and issuance of User/Occupancy Permits. If the developer or company making property improvements is applying on behalf of the property owner, the property owner must concumit the application by co-signing below. The property tax credits are automatically applied to the property tax bill (i.e., directly awarded to the property owner only). If you are not applying for the property tax credit, this section may be left blank.
Owner of the Real Property: 106 North Division Street LLC
Mailing address of property owner: 318 W. Carroll Street Suite A Salisbury, MD Phone: 240-994-6481
Email Address: bdavis@davis-strategic.com
Project Start Date: 7/1/2021
Anticipated Project Completion Date: 12/1/2021
Briefly describe capital improvements plans: Commercial redevelopment, Tenant Fit out,

replacing lighting, replacing hvac, upgrading security features, and installing new roof Type of Construction and Costs Cost of building(s) & land (acquisition): \$135,000New Construction: \$_ Rehabilitation: \$ 398,000 Cost of new machinery & equipment*: \$ ___ I agree as a condition if certification to provide all data required by the Enterprise Zone Administrator as requested. Name of Applicant: Bret Davis Position/Title: Owner Date: 6/14/2021 Applicant Signature Name of Property Owner: Bret Davis Owner Position/Title: **Property Owner Signature:**

^{*}Cost of new machinery & equipment is not a part of real property assessment.

Section D: Enterprise Zone Employment Tax Credit Information

To be eligible of Enterprise Zone employment tax credits, please complete the following section. Employment tax credits to be applied against State income tax liabilities are available for certain new employees hired in the Enterprise Zone. The requirements for qualified employees can be found on Maryland Department of Commerce Website: http://commerce.maryland.gov/fund/programs-for-businesses/enterprise-zone-tax-credit. If you are not applying for the employment tax credit, this section may be left blank.

Federal Employer Identification Number (EFIN): 85-2	2779835
Unemployment Insurance #:	
Type of Business (i.e., restaurant, retail, financial service	ces, etc.): Real Estate Holding
Is business located in the Enterprise Zone now?	Yes No X
If yes, since what year:	
Is the business relocation from another place?	Yes No X
If yes, where was the previous location?:	
Is the business a new, start-up?	Yes No _X
Did the Enterprise Zone benefits affect your decision to	
If yes, please explain how the Enterprise Zone	benefits will assist your business.:
Number of existing employees: 0	
If you are new to the Enterprise Zone, please provide to locating in the Enterprise Zone:	
If you were already located in the Enterprise Zone, ple of this application in the Enterprise Zone: 0	
Number of new full-time jobs to be created in the Ente	erprise Zone in the next 12 months: 0
Number of new part-time jobs to be created in the Ent	
I agree as a condition of certification to provide all data as requested.	
Name of Applicant: Bret Davis	Position/Title: Owner
Signature:	Date: 6/14/2021

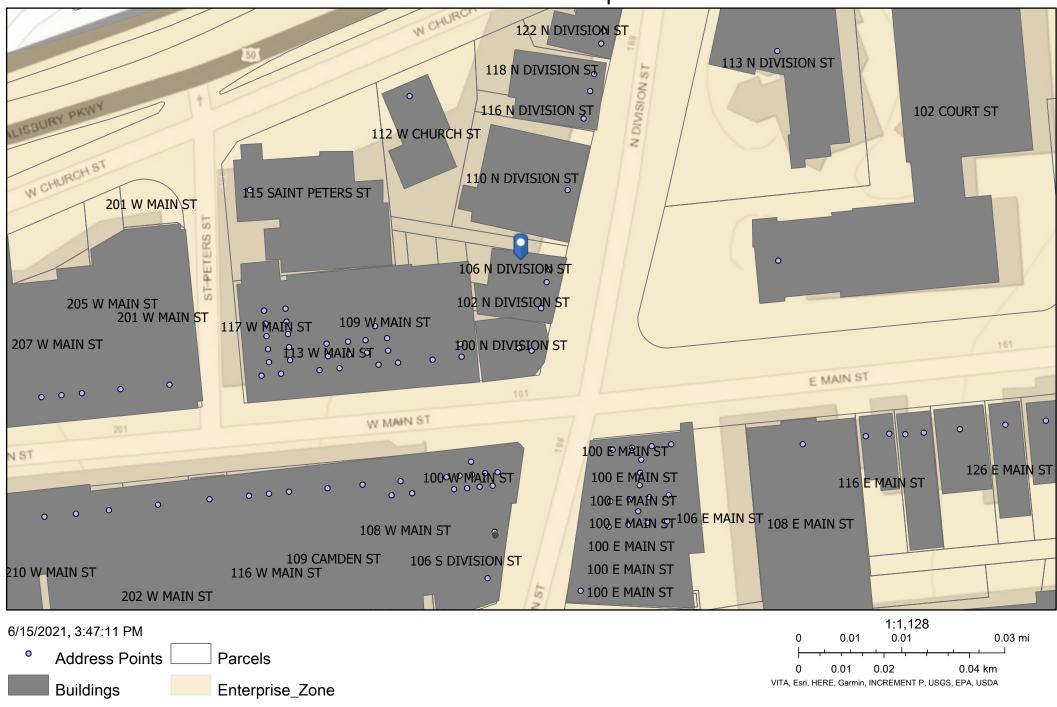
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 Click here for a glossary of terms.

ArcGIS Web Map



From: Amanda Pollack
To: Laura Soper

Subject: RE: Real Property Tax Credit-106 N. Division St.pdf

Date: Thursday, June 17, 2021 6:38:17 PM

Laura,

The property meets the permit, zoning, building, stormwater and sewer use ordinances.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks, Amanda

From: Laura Soper

Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2021 3:56 PM

To: Amanda Pollack <APollack@salisbury.md>; Kay Lundy <klundy@salisbury.md>; Faith Richardson

<frichardson@salisbury.md>

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Finance

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- -Are they in good standing with SDAT?

Please answer the questions above under the heading for your department and return to my office by 6/22/2021. Your assistance is appreciated. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Laura Soper

From: Kay Lundy

Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 4:13 PM **To:** Laura Soper; Faith Richardson

Subject: RE: Real Property Tax Credit-106 N. Division St.pdf

Laura,

The taxes are paid and the corporation is in good standing.

Thanks

Kay

From: Laura Soper

Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2021 3:56 PM

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