

TOWN MANAGER'S OFFICE

November 3, 2017

Attention: Smart Cities Council Challenge Grant Smart Cities Council

Dear Sirs:

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for a Smart Cities Council Challenge Grant, which is being awarded as part of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy smart cities commitment announced on September 26, 2016.

As Cary Town Manager, I am pleased to submit our application and to work with Smart Cities Council to deliver an exceptional Smart Cities Readiness Event for our region in 2017. We are also prepared to work with those organizations providing in-kind matching products and services to maximize their impact in this region. Terry Yates has been authorized to submit the application on Cary's behalf. We are also pleased to be working with the Cities of Raleigh, Durham, and Chapel Hill as well as Durham and Wake Counties to further our regional Smart Cities efforts as part of this Challenge Grant.

We believe Cary will benefit from this Challenge Grant because sustainable and efficient improvements in transportation, utilities and public safety will provide the framework for economic development and educational opportunities ultimately improving our citizens' quality of life. We will be gathering an exceptional group of stakeholders – including organizations like NC RIOT, Wake Technical Community College, NCNGN, Duke Energy and Cary Chamber of Commerce – and are prepared, at our cost, to provide an appropriate venue, food, audiovisual support and other event logistics.

We also understand that should Cary not be selected for a Challenge Grant, we will receive feedback from the Smart Cities Council and other opportunities to host a Readiness Event or otherwise advance our Smart Cities initiatives.

Sincerely/

Sean R. Stegall Town Manager