



June 8, 2012

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

Thru: Brad Corcoran, City Manager

From: Mike Dougherty, Director of Economic Development

Re: All-America City Award One Year Anniversary

It is recommended for Mayor John Grogan to recognize the one year anniversary of Eden winning the 2011 All-America City Award at the beginning of the June 19, 2012 Eden City Council meeting. The 2011 award was won on June 17, 2011 in Kansas City, MO.

As a sign of the prestige of this award, it should be noted that in 2008, the City of Reidsville competed in a field of 16 Finalists. In 2011, Eden competed amongst 23 Finalists. In 2012, 32 Finalists will compete in Denver, CO for this award. This year's Finalists include:

- Cities of Richmond and Roanoke in neighboring Virginia
- San Francisco and Sacramento, CA
- Providence, RI
- San Antonio, TX
- The State of Arizona
- Indianapolis, IN
- Louisville, KY
- Baltimore, MD

The number of larger communities participating in this competition illustrates how coveted this award has become in recent years.

Special appreciation is due to the sponsors and participants of the 2011 Eden Winning Team on this first year anniversary.

Please contact me if you have any questions concerning this request.