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RE: Opus Financial Advisors

Commissioners Crawford, Hales, Cross, Howard, and Petty:

The Greater Statesville Chamber of Commerce is leading the "Think Local" effort. It is the single, most important thing any of us can do to support local economies. Each of us has the opportunity to stimulate the local economy by deciding how and where we choose to spend our resources. Local governments have the opportunity to enhance the local economy by fostering an environment that benefits locally owned and operated businesses and service providers. For these reasons, I ask for your support when considering the conditional zoning permit requested by Opus Financial Advisors.

Opus Financial Advisors has been a tremendous partner of the Chamber of Commerce and the city of Statesville. They participate in the town's efforts to promote the work of local artisan's by showing their work in their office during semi-annual community Art Crawl events. In recent years (and pledged for 2016), Opus has served as the lead and only non-governmental sponsor of the town's holiday concert—bringing both the NC Symphony and the Greensboro Symphony to our Civic Center. In a nutshell, they make the orchestras locally accessible to residents of our county. Without their generous sponsorship, these events might not otherwise have been possible. Their philanthropy is only exceeded by their professionalism.

Our town has certainly benefited from the support of Opus and their advisory team. We believe the Chatham County community will also benefit from a local Opus office. Thank you for all the work you do to support Chatham County and the state of North Carolina. I appreciate your attention and your public service.

Sincerely,

David Bradley

President and CEO, Statesville Chamber of Commerce

