

## City of Berlin, NH

City Manager's Office

October 7, 2019

Warren M. Perry Deputy Adjutant General State of New Hampshire The Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services 4 Pembroke Road Concord, NH 03301

## Re: Potential Berlin Armory Transfer to the City of Berlin

Dear Deputy Adjutant General Perry:

The purpose of this letter is to formally express the City's interest in having the Berlin Armory building and property transferred to City ownership. The City Council has discussed taking ownership of the property. The Council consensus is that we will determine a use for the property that will be beneficial to Berlin.

For example, the City has performed a preliminary review of the property for its suitability as a police station. We intend to study it feasibility for this use more deeply. If this use does not prove feasible, we will then consider using the building to house our public school bus fleet. In addition to providing a home base for public school busses, the School Dept. sees the potential of using some of the office space for special and/or alternative education programming.

We understand that, subject to the approval of the Legislature, Governor and Executive Council, there would be no cost to the City, other than a minor transfer fee, to obtain ownership. We also understand that the building will be transferred without any restrictions or covenants inhibiting our ownership subject to approval of the entities noted above as well as the State Historical Commission.

Please let us know if there is anything we need to do further to assist in the transfer process.

Sincerely,

**CITY OF BERLIN** 

James Wheeler City Manager

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