

APPENDIX D

CENTER DESIGN CRITERIA

CENTER DESIGN CRITERIA

In changing the development patterns of the County to emphasize centers, it is critical that those places, once constructed, be attractive and successful. Over the years, there have been numerous volumes written on center design. Of those, one, “Visions For A New American Dream” by Anton Clarence Nelessen of Rutgers University, has a great deal to offer. For that reason, a substantial portion of the book is included, with permission per James W. Hughes, Dean, Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., in this Strategic Growth Plan.

These standards, visual and narrative, demonstrate the essential elements of small livable communities. Not all will apply equally in any given circumstance. However, all have much to contribute to creating true “Communities of Place”.

