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Clarksburg Urban Renewal Authority Begins Request for Proposals For a new Hotel and Conference Center

CLARKSBURG, WV --November 13, 2014 -- [The Clarksburg Urban Renewal Authority \(CURA\)](#) began advertising Request for Proposals (RFP) for a new Hotel and Conference Center on Wednesday, November 12, 2014. The RFP allows for proposals to be submitted by developers until February 17, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. Interested developers will also have an opportunity to schedule meetings/tours of Clarksburg the week of January 19, 2015. The Redevelopment Plan was approved by the City of Clarksburg Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council. The "Plan" calls for a chain-affiliated hotel with approximately 160 rooms, as well as a conference center. Anthony Secret, Chairman of CURA, stated, "CURA is very excited with the project and we look forward to discussing the project with interested developers." The RFP and Redevelopment Plan can be located on-line at www.clarksburghotelandconferencecenter.com. Anthony Secret, CURA Chairman, continued, "The RFP process will take approximately three (3) months to complete. This will allow time for the interested developers to finalize their proposals. The review process would then begin immediately by CURA".

Martin Howe, City Manager, stated, "We believe that this economic development project will be a tremendous enhancement to our gateway into the Central Business District of the City of Clarksburg, as well as provide an amenity to nearby residents and the community."

CURA anticipates this project to be a destination for leisure, business transient, regional/state association meetings as well as acting as the host hotel for events within the north central West Virginia Region. Mayor Goings stated, "This is a redevelopment project that we, as a City, believe very strongly in and are very optimistic that interested developers will be inquiring about the project." City Manager, Martin Howe, concluded, "Our team has been working with our

hospitality industry consultant, Pompan Hospitality Global, Inc. for approximately a year to get to this point, there has been a lot of time expended in market research and we are very pleased that we are making a significant move forward with this project.”

About Pompan Hospitality Global, Inc.

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About City of Clarksburg

The City of Clarksburg is located in north central West Virginia, Clarksburg (est. pop 17,000) and is the County Seat for Harrison County (est. pop 68,652). Clarksburg is located at the intersection of two heavily traveled highways and the second busiest interchanges in the state, Interstate 79 and U.S. Route 50. Clarksburg enjoys the amenities of the largest city in the region with the advantages of a small hometown community. A rich mix of retail, industry, and government services, with a thriving business community exist, along with an abundance of recreational facilities and one of the best preserved historic downtowns in the state.

Because of the population base the Clarksburg region became, and still is, the main commercial, health care, and professional office location in the region. It also has a large number of State and Federal Agencies located in the Central Business District, including the U.S. Small Business Administration, Federal Court House, Social Security Administration, Department of Defense Biometrics Facility, as well as Fairmont State University — Clarksburg Campus, among others. A new \$25 million State Office Building is presently being constructed within the Central Business District.

Clarksburg's Historic downtown is also home to the largest legal, accounting, and banking community in north central West Virginia. There are approximately 6,000 professionals working in the Downtown Central Business District each weekday.

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