



## American Planning Association • New Jersey Chapter

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Dear Anthony:

On behalf of the New Jersey Chapter of the American Planning Association, I'd like to thank you for your excellent presentation on "Green Strategies for Design and Development" at the NJAPA Annual Conference in New Brunswick. Your discussion of Back to Nature's hamlet development concept was well received by the audience and highly informative. Feedback from participants at the conference was extremely positive.

NJAPA is a chapter of the American Planning Association, which counts nearly 40,000 members worldwide. NJAPA has over 1,000 members in New Jersey including professional planners and professionals in related fields, such as real estate development, real estate brokerage, real estate finance, design, land use law, engineering, public policy, community development, local planning and zoning board members and others with an interest in planning issues.

As you know, NJAPA strongly encourages smart growth and innovative forms of development that respect traditional community values, local economies, and important environmental features. We appreciate and recognize the efforts of your firm to champion regenerative, environmentally sensitive design and development in New Jersey. Indeed, we have organized guided tours of some of your projects for our membership, and we appreciate the time you have taken to guide these tours.

Again, thank you for taking the time to present at our annual meeting and for your continued activities on behalf of smart growth and sustainable development.

Sincerely,

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