

Appendix C

SUGGESTED PARAGRAPHS FOR THE COMMANDER'S COVER LETTER

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE

246TH COMBAT WING

Hometown Air Force Base (HAFB) plays a significant role in *National Security*. As part of the Air Combat Command, HAFB provides a vital link in providing combat-ready forces for world-wide deployment and power projection in the aerospace arena.

To accomplish our mission and ensure we are prepared to respond in the future, we depend not only on our people, but on our limited resources. This plan is designed to provide guidance to ensure that our facilities, infrastructure, and natural resources are managed in support of our people and their mission. It is our responsibility to assist in this effort and to help protect and enhance these valuable resources with which we have been charged.

This General Plan provides a blueprint for our installation's future. It is the basis for programming the facilities and infrastructure that will meet current requirements and provide future growth. Its planning concepts have been developed to upgrade facilities and to ensure that our force needs are balanced with those of our cultural and natural environments. These concepts are designed to support our nation's defense into the 21st century.

As members of Hometown AFB, we all have an obligation to use Air Force resources as efficiently as possible. Accordingly, when making decisions regarding the development of Hometown AFB, we need to have the right information available. This General Plan provides that information, and includes the guidance necessary to make sound planning decisions.

Our task then is threefold. First, all commanders and functional managers on Hometown Air Force Base should comply with this General Plan. Second, all future programs should be reviewed for compliance with the plan. Finally, the plan should be reviewed regularly and updated to keep it relevant and accurate. The result will be an integrated, organized approach to development on Hometown AFB. And the payoff will be better management of each and every dollar entrusted to us by the American public.

I am proud to present the Hometown Air Force Base General Plan. This is the principal document to guide commanders as they make decisions concerning the growth of our installation. Hometown has the potential to take on new missions as the future Air Force realigns and develops new operations and requirements. This General Plan will guide us through facility planning and development to ensure Hometown maintains the installation role model status tomorrow that we enjoy today.

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