COUNTIES OF WARREN AND WASHINGTON INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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At the Board Meeting of the Counties of Warren and Washington Industrial Development Agency held on July 26, 2017 at the Washington County Municipal Center in Fort Edward, NY, the following members were:

PRESENT:

Bud Taylor

Chairman

Bruce Ferguson Joseph LaFiura

Vice & Park Chairman/Contract. Officer

Matt Simpson Lou Tessier

Secretary/Treasurer At Large Member

Dave O'Brien Craig Leggett

ABSENT:

Richard F. Moore

John W. Weber

ALSO PRESENT:

Kara I. Lais, Esq.

Sharon Reynolds

Deborah Mineconzo

FitzGerald Morris Baker Firth, PC

Green Preservation Group Rep

Office Administrator

The minutes of the meeting were taken by the Office Administrator. The Chairman called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm. Attendance was taken and the needed quorum was confirmed.

Approval of minutes:

Mr. LaFiura made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2017 Board Meeting minutes. Mr. Leggett seconded the motion and all voted in favor of the motion by voice vote.

Accounts Payable:

Mr. O'Brien moved to approve the accounts payables and Mr. Simpson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote.

Unfinished Business:

Aviation Hospitality LLC-Inducement Resolution:

Ms. Lais reported the Town of Queensbury gave their final site plan approval yesterday for Aviation Hospitality LLC. The developer is hoping to close on their land this Friday with the financial closing following sometime next week. Ms. Lais informed the members this resolution is a little different from others as it includes the closing resolution information in it also thereby "skipping" the Preliminary Agreement. If approved, the sales tax exemption forms can be given promptly after tonight's meeting so purchases can begin by the developer. There being no further questions, Mr. Simpson moved to approve the Inducement Resolution with Mr. LaFiura seconding. All voted in favor of the motion by roll call vote.

Resolution No. 17-07July 26, 2017

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CERTAIN PROJECT, AS DEFINED HEREIN, APPOINTING AVIATION HOSPITALITY, LLC, AGENT OF THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING THE PROJECT FACILITY (AS DEFINED HEREIN) AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CLOSING DOCUMENTS BY AND BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND AVIATION HOSPITALITY, LLC

(Full resolution at end of this document)

Ray Terminals LLC:

Ms. Lais reported the developer for Ray Terminals, LLC has requested our Agency solely close on the sales tax portion of the project to avoid further delay. The closing was done few days ago and a partial payment of the Agency's fees was collected along with all the Attorney fees to date. The closing on the Lease Agreement and the collection of the fee balance will be done later this year.

Park Business:

Forestry Status:

Mr. Ferguson reported that due to the wet weather, the bidding for the Phase II harvesting has been delayed until August, with harvesting planned for September or October of this year.

New Business:

Green Preservation Group Application:

Regarding the new Green Preservation Group's application everyone received at an earlier date, Ms. Reynolds gave a brief overview of the project. She stated the project has received two sources of funding and she is serving as administrator for both Grants totaling \$800,000.00. Ms. Reynolds advised everyone bids are going out soon for the construction. One building will be renovated to hold a new restaurant and distillery on the ground floor with incubator space available upstairs. Across the street, the historic building will hold the offices of Sterling Corporation.

Ms. Lais stated she has reviewed the information and it is primarily "retail". Under the latest regulations for IDAs, retail projects must fall under at least one of three criteria: 1) Be a project in a tourism destination area; 2) Be in a "highly distressed" area; or 3) Provide a service/business not currently available in the area. She is still researching the retail classification for the project. In speaking with Deanna Derway and Laura Oswald of Washington Co. LDC, they informed her recently of known support from the municipalities.

A resolution giving approval by the Board to schedule a Public Hearing was moved by Mr. O'Brien. Mr. Simpson seconded and all voted in favor of the motion, scheduling the hearing for August 21st in the Village of Greenwich, by voice vote.

Mr. Ferguson offered to be the Hearing Officer for the Public Hearing which was approved by the Chairman.

Resolution No. 17-08 Adopted July 26, 2017

RESOLUTION TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING RELATING TO THE GREENWICH PRESERVATION GROUP, LLC PROJECT

(Full resolution at end of this document)

Mr. O'Brien mentioned the Washington County Fair opens on the day of the next Board Meeting and he needs to be at the fair on opening day. He asked for consideration from the members to move the 4 pm Board Meeting next month from August 21st to August 22nd. Mr. Simpson moved to make the date change accordingly with Mr. O'Brien seconding. All voted in favor of the motion by voice vote. The Public Hearing in Greenwich will remain on August 21st at 11:00 am.

IDA Educational Topic #1:

Ms. Lais gave the first educational topic for the members which covered the subject of why the CDC was formed (in 2011). She informed the members that several years ago, the State decided that IDA's would no longer be able to assist civic facilities (ie Glens Falls Hospital, Crandall Library, Prospect Schools, etc.) To continue assisting (such as issuing tax exempt bonds) with these specific projects, the Civic Development Corporation, a not for profit entity, was established through the State. The CDC was also approved by both (Warren & Washington) Counties. Since established, the CDC has assisted with bonding for the college dormitories for Adirondack Housing Association LLC (at SUNY Adirondack), Hudson Headwaters and if approved at the CDC meeting today, Silver Bay Association. Under NYS rulings, the CDC is bound by all PAAA regulations, same as the IDA.

There being no further IDA business to address, Mr. Taylor moved to adjourn the IDA meeting at 4:30 pm.

Date: _	8/24/17		
		Joseph LaFiura, Secretary	

Resolution No. 17-07July 26, 2017

Introduced by Matt Simpson who moved its adoption.

Seconded by Joseph LaFiura

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CERTAIN PROJECT, AS DEFINED HEREIN, APPOINTING AVIATION HOSPITALITY, LLC, AGENT OF THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING THE PROJECT FACILITY (AS DEFINED HEREIN) AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CLOSING DOCUMENTS BY AND BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND AVIATION HOSPITALITY, LLC

(PROJECT NO. 5202-17-03)

WHEREAS, by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, as amended, and Section 890-c of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (collectively, the ("Act"), the Counties of Warren and Washington Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was created and granted the authority to enter into agreements for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and equipping certain industrial facilities; and

WHEREAS, Aviation Hospitality LLC, a limited liability company established pursuant to the laws of the State of New York, having an address of 906 State Route 9, Queensbury, New York, 12804 (the "Company") has requested that the Agency provide financial assistance in the form of a payment of lieu of taxes, mortgage tax exemption and sales tax abatements regarding a tourist destination retail construction project (the "Project") to consist of: (i) the acquisition of an interest in a certain commercial parcel or parcels of land located at 524 Aviation Road, Town of Queensbury, County of Warren, State of New York (the "Land"); (ii) the construction and equipping of a 15,665+/- square foot 92 room hotel (the "Facility"); (iii) the acquisition and installation therein of certain furnishings and fixtures (the "Equipment" together with the Land and the Facility, collectively the "Project Facility") to be used in connection with the contemplated uses; and (iv) the lease of the Project Facility to the Company, all pursuant to Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, Chapter 862 of the Laws of 1971 of the State of New York (collectively, the "Act"), as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Project will require the Agency and the Company to enter into an agreement whereby the Company will acquire, by deed or by lease, and construct the Project Facility and the Agency will lease or sell the Project Facility to the Company with an option to buy; and

WHEREAS, the Agency is a state agency under Section 8-0105 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York and the Project is an action under Article 8 of said law (Article 8 hereinafter being referred to as the "State Environmental Quality Review Act" or "SEQRA") and under 6 NYCRR Part 617, §§ 617.2(b) and 617.3(g); and

WHEREAS, the Company has submitted to the Agency, and the Agency has reviewed information needed to determine whether or not the Project will have a significant impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York

(collectively, the "SEQR Act"), the Project is an "Action" under SEQR Act for which the Town of Queensbury Planning Board (the "Planning Board") acted as lead agency; and

WHEREAS, the Project is an "Unlisted Action" under SEQRA and on July 18, 2017, the Planning Board reviewed the Project Site Plan Application submitted on behalf of the Company and approved said Site Plan, and issued its Negative Declaration that the Project will not have a significant impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing on June 19, 2017 pursuant to Article 18-A of the Act before taking official action relating to the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Company will agree to indemnify the Agency against certain losses, claims, expenses, damages and liabilities which may arise in connection with the transactions contemplated by the lease of the Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has determined that all of the requirements of the Act have been complied with and that the contemplated transaction will further the public purposes of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Project constitutes a "Project" within the meaning of the Act; and

WHEREAS, at least one third of the total project costs for the Project will be used for the development of a retail facility. Pursuant to Section 862 of the General Municipal Law, financial assistance from the Agency is prohibited for retail projects unless one of the following exceptions applies: (A) a tourism destination project; (B) a project located in a highly distressed area; and/or (C) a project that provides a product or service to the area that otherwise would not be available. The Project meets (A), as described herein, since the Project is a tourism destination which will attract visitors from outside the economic region.

WHEREAS, a lease agreement (the "Lease Agreement") with respect to the Project, along with certain financing documents, will be executed by and between the Company and the Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

SECTION 1. Findings. The Agency has reviewed the application to determine compliance with the requirements of the Act and based on the representations of the Company to the Agency in said application and elsewhere, the Agency hereby makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:

- (A) The Agency has been vested with all powers necessary and convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes of the Act and to exercise all powers granted to it under the Act;
 - (B) The Project constitutes a "project", as that quoted term is defined in the Act;
- (C) The acquisition, construction and installation of the Facility and the lease of the Facility to the Company (i) will promote and maintain the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the citizens of the State of New York and the Counties of Warren and Washington, and (ii) will not result in the removal of an industrial or manufacturing plant of the Company from one area of the State to another area of the State; and (iii) will lead to the creation of at least twenty five (25) full time equivalent job opportunities within the next two (2) years for the inhabitants of the Counties of Warren and Washington and in the State of New York;

- (D) The location of the site of the Project is acceptable to the Agency;
- (E) The Facility is not known by the Agency to be in material violation of the local zoning laws and planning regulations of the Town of Queensbury and all regional and local land use plans for the area in which the Facility shall be located;
- (F) The Facility and the operations of the Company are not known by the Agency to cause or result in the violation of the health, labor, environmental or other laws of the United States of America, the State of New York, the County of Warren or the Town of Queensbury; and
- Planning Board (the "Planning Board") has acted as lead agency. On or about July 18, 2017, the Planning Board reviewed the Project Site Plan Application submitted on behalf of the Company and approved said Site Plans, and issued its Negative Declaration that the Project will not have a significant impact on the environment; and (ii) the Agency has thoroughly reviewed the environmental assessment form, negative declaration and related supporting information presented to the Agency within the Company's Application for Assistance in order to determine whether the Project might have any potential significant adverse impacts upon the environment. After conducting this review, the Agency has determined that the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project Facility are consistent with social, economic and other essential considerations and will not result in any significant adverse impacts on the environment. The Agency hereby ratifies the findings and Negative Declaration of the Town of Queensbury Planning Board. In doing so, the Agency satisfies the requirements of Part 617 of Title 6 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations and no further SEQRA review is required for the Project;
- (H) The completion of the Project will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant of the Company from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York, as the Company's lease at its current location will not be renewed. Further, the completion of the Project will not result in any loss of jobs and all existing jobs will be retained nor will the completion of the Project result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Facility located within the State of New York; and
- (I) Pursuant to section 862(2)(a) of the General Municipal Law, the Agency has determined that the Project falls within the scope of the definition of a "tourism destination" as defined by the laws of the State of New York; and
- (J) The Agency further determines that the Project includes the following key aspects: (i) the Project will be a tourist destination for persons outside of the immediate economic region; (ii) the Project will result in increased revenues to the County of Warren through the collection of sales tax and occupancy tax; (iii) the Project will result in an increased tax basis for the Project location since the Land is currently assessed at approximately \$457,100.00, but the project consists of a \$12,398,215.00 private investment; and (iv) the Project will attract new and additional revenues to nearby stores and businesses; and
- (K) The Agency hereby finds that the for this Project the private investment, as more specifically described in subsection (J) herein, and the creation of jobs, as more specifically described in subsection (C) herein, shall be considered Material Terms for the purposes of monitoring in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Agency.

SECTION 2. Description of Project.

Subject to the conditions set forth herein and in Lease Agreement to be entered into with the Agency, the Agency shall:

(1) acquire an interest in, construct and install the Project Facility; and

(2) lease or sell the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to an agreement or agreements whereby the Company will obligate itself, among other things, to undertake the Project on behalf of the Agency.

SECTION 3. Company Appointed Agent of Agency.

(A) The Company is hereby appointed the true and lawful agent of the Agency to:

(1) construct and install the Project Facility;

- make, execute, acknowledge, and deliver all contracts, orders, receipts, instructions, and writings needed to complete the Project; and
- (3) do all other things requisite and proper for the completion of the Project.
- (B) The Company is authorized to proceed with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility, subject to receiving any and all appropriate municipal approvals needed prior to commencement of construction, and to advance such funds as may be necessary to accomplish these goals. The Company shall complete the Project Facility within eighteen (18) months from the commencement thereof. The failure of the Company to complete the project within eighteen (18) months shall be considered a "significant change in the use of the facility" as set forth in the Agency's Recapture of Benefits Policy, as amended from time to time.
- (C) The Company is also authorized to appoint third party agents to undertake the Project and thereby make available to such third party agents an exemption from New York State sales and use taxes in connection with undertaking the Project. This provision is subject to the Company entering into an Agent Agreement with the Agency.
- (D) The Agency hereby approves of the execution of an Agent Agreement authorizing exemptions from the sales and use taxes for purchases and rentals related to the undertaking of the project in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Sixty Three Thousand Dollars (\$263,000.00), based on eligible project costs of Three Million Seven Hundred Fifty Seven Thousand One Hundred Thirty Six Dollars (\$3,757,136.00), which exemption will expire on January 31, 2018.
 - SECTION 4. §144 Election. Not Applicable.
 - SECTION 5. Bond Counsel. Not Applicable.
- SECTION 6. <u>Document Preparation</u>. Counsel to the Agency is hereby authorized and directed to cooperate with counsel to the Company, as well as all other necessary parties, in order to prepare the documents needed to undertake the Project.
- SECTION 7. Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) Agreement. The Agency's approval is subject to the Company entering into a PILOT Agreement with the Agency whereby the Company agrees to make payments in lieu of taxes in any given year as if the Company were the owner of the Project and not the Agency. The Agency's approval is also subject to the Company agreeing to the terms of the Agency's Recapture Policy.

SECTION 8. Administrative and Legal Fees. The Company will pay all costs incurred by the Agency, including but not limited to attorney's fees, which arise out of Company's application for Financial Assistance, whether or not such assistance is ultimately issued. Agency's attorney's fees will be calculated at a time rate of \$275.00 per hour for attorney's time and \$105.00 per hour for senior legal assistant's time, plus disbursements. Upon closing of all of the Project documents, the Company will pay to the Agency an administrative fee (the "Administrative Fee") of \$86,991.00 based upon an estimated Project cost of \$12,398,215.00 pursuant to the schedule set forth below and contained within the Company's Application for Financial Assistance:

First \$10 Million of Project Costs: 34 of 1%
Next \$10 Million of Project Costs: 1/2 of 1%
Next \$10 Million of Project Costs: 1/4 of 1 %
Above \$30 Million of Project Costs: 1/8 of 1%.

Following the completion of the Project Facility, the Company shall confirm, in writing, the actual Project cost. In the event that the total Project cost exceeds the estimate provided herein, the Agency may require the payment of the difference that would otherwise be due pursuant to the above-schedule.

SECTION 9. APPROVAL OF COMPANY'S FINANCING DOCUMENTS. The substance and form of the Underlying Lease, the Lease Agreement, the Agreement for Payments in Lieu of Taxes, Agent Agreement and accompanying NYS forms, financing documents with Berkshire Bank, and all other certificates or documents to be delivered or executed and delivered by the Agency (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Closing Documents") are hereby approved, subject to approval as to content by the Chairman and the Agency's counsel.

SECTION 10. AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES. (A) The Chairman or the Chief Executive Officer is hereby authorized to execute and deliver the Closing Documents. If required, the signature of the Chairman or Chief Executive Officer shall be attested by the Secretary or Treasurer of the Agency (or Agency Counsel, in the absence of a Secretary/Treasurer) who, if required, shall affix a facsimile of the Agency's seal to documents required to be under seal. (B) On the advice of Counsel to the Agency, the Chairman or Chief Executive Officer shall make such reasonable changes to the Closing Documents as shall be required to promote and protect the Agency's interests with respect to the Project. All such changes shall be made prior to the closing.

SECTION 11. FURTHER ASSURANCE. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to do all acts required by the provisions of the Closing Documents, and to execute and deliver all additional certificates, instruments and documents and to pay all fees, charges and expenses and do all other acts that may be necessary or proper to effectuate the purposes of this resolution. None of the members, officers, directors, employees or agents (except the Company) of the Agency, shall be personally liable under the other Closing Documents. The Chairman of the Agency is authorized to take such further action as shall be necessary to give effect to and implement this resolution.

SECTION 12. FILING OF DOCUMENTS. Originals of all Closing Documents for the Project shall be filed and maintained in the office of the Agency.

SECTION 13. PUBLIC INSPECTION. A copy of this resolution and the Closing Documents shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency, where they shall be available for public inspection during business hours.

SECTION 14. EFFECTIVE DATE. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

VOTING:	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Harold G. Taylor	1			
Bruce A. Ferguson	1			
Joseph P. LaFiura	1			
Louis Tessier	1			
Dave O'Brien	1			
John W. Weber				1
Matthew Simpson	1			
Craig Leggett	1			
Richard F. Moore				1
TOTALS	7	0	0	2

The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Resolution No. 17-08 Adopted July 26, 2017

Introduced by <u>Dave O'Brien</u> who moved its adoption.

Seconded by Matt Simpson

RESOLUTION TO SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING RELATING TO THE GREENWICH PRESERVATION GROUP, LLC PROJECT

WHEREAS, Greenwich Preservation Group, LLC, a limited liability company established pursuant to the laws of the State of New York, having an address of 54 Main Street, Greenwich, New York 12834 (the "Company") has requested that the Agency provide financial assistance in the form of a payment of lieu of taxes, mortgage tax exemption and sales tax abatements regarding a project (the "Project") to consist of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in certain real property located at 54 and 73 Main Street in the Village and Town of Greenwich, New York and being referred to as tax parcel numbers 237.5-8-23 and 237.5-4-32, respectively (the "Land"); (ii) the construction, renovation and equipping of a multi-use facility to include a restaurant and craft distillery retail space and office space (the "Facility"); (iii) the acquisition and installation therein of certain furnishings and fixtures (the "Equipment" together with the Land and the Facility, collectively the "Project Facility") to be used in connection with the contemplated uses; and (iv) the lease of the Project Facility to the Company, all pursuant to Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, Chapter 862 of the Laws of 1971 of the State of New York (collectively, the "Act"), as amended; and

WHEREAS, Chapters 356 and 357 of the Laws of 1993 require that prior to granting financial assistance of more than \$100,000.00 to any project, an Agency must (a) adopt a resolution describing the project and the financial assistance contemplated by the Agency with respect thereto, and (b) hold a public hearing in the city, town or village where the project proposes to locate upon at least ten (10) days published notice and, at the same time, provide notice of such hearing to the Chief Executive Officer of each affected taxing jurisdiction within which the project is located; and

WHEREAS, the Agency is in the process of reviewing and considering the Company's Application requesting the Agency to provide financial assistance for the proposed Project, which may include a sales tax abatement during the construction of the Facility, a mortgage tax exemption and a payment in lieu of taxes, all of which shall be consistent with the uniform tax exemption policy of the Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

- 1. The Agency hereby schedules a public hearing pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York State General Municipal Law (the "Law") to be held by the Agency on Monday, the 21st day of August, 2017, at 11:00 a.m., local time, at the Town Hall, Board Room, located at 2 Academy Street, Town of Greenwich, County of Washington, New York 12834 in connection with the Project.
- 2. The Agency hereby authorizes the publication of a Notice of Public Hearing for the Project and in accordance with the Law and the Agency's policies and procedures.

3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

AYES: 7

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2

ABSTAIN: 0

Counties of Warren and Washington Industrial Development Agency

Resolution No. 17-06

Adopted June 19, 2017

Introduced by Dave O'Brien who moved its adoption.

Seconded by Matthew Simpson

RESOLUTION TAKING PRELIMINARY ACTION TOWARD UNDERTAKING A CERTAIN PROJECT, AS DEFINED HEREIN, APPOINTING RAY TERMINALS LLC, AS AGENT OF THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING THE PROJECT FACILITY (AS DEFINED HEREIN) AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT AND AN AGENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND RAY TERMINALS LLC

WHEREAS, the Counties of Warren and Washington Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is a body corporate and politic duly organized and existing under Sections 856 and 890-c of the General Municipal Law ("GML") of the State of New York (the "State"), with its principal place of business at 5 Warren Street, Glens Falls, New York; and

WHEREAS, Ray Terminals, LLC (the "Company"), having an address of 2794 7th Avenue, Troy, New York 12180, is a limited liability company created pursuant to the Laws of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Company has requested that the Agency provide financial assistance in the form of a payment of lieu of taxes, mortgage tax exemption and sales tax abatements regarding a project (the "Project") to consist of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in certain real property located at 39 Golf Course Road in the Town of Hampton, New York (the "Land", being more particularly described as tax parcel number 45.00-1-33); (ii) the planning, design, construction, operation and maintenance by the Company of a wholesale propane gas storage and distribution facility, including an approximately 2,400 square foot office and storage building, 4 60,000 gallon liquid propane storage tanks (with room for 2 additional 60,000 gallon tanks) and related piping, pumps, compressors and coupling improvements, along with related site, roadway, parking, access, curbage, rail siding and onsite and offsite utility improvements that will include approximately 7,500 feet of above and below-ground 3 phase electric service line and poles, along with related electrical transformer (collectively, the "Improvements"); (iii) the acquisition of and installation in and around the Land and Improvements by the Company of machinery, equipment, fixtures and other items of tangible personal property (the "Equipment" and, collectively with, the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility"); and (iv) and (iv) entering into a straight lease transaction (within the meaning of subdivision (15) of Section 854 of the Act), pursuant to which the Agency will retain a leasehold interest in the Facility for a period of time and sublease such interest in the Facility back to the Company (the "Straight Lease Transaction"), all pursuant to Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, Chapter 862 of the Laws of 1971 of the State of New York (collectively, the "Act"), as amended; and

WHEREAS, under Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law (the "Act"), the Legislature of the State of New York has granted the Agency the power and authority to undertake the Project, as the Act authorizes the Agency to promote, develop, encourage and assists projects such as this Project and to advance job opportunities, health general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Project will require the Agency and the Company to enter into an agreement whereby the Company will acquire, by lease, and construct the Project Facility and the Agency will lease the Project Facility to the Company; and

WHEREAS, the Agency is a state agency under Section 8-0105 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York and the Project is an action under Article 8 of said law (Article 8 hereinafter being referred to as the "State Environmental Quality Review Act" or "SEQRA") and under 6 NYCRR Part 617, §§ 617.2(b) and 617.3(g); and

WHEREAS, the Company has submitted to the Agency, and the Agency has reviewed information needed to determine whether or not the Project will have a significant impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility has not been commenced, and the Agency has not yet authorized the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing on June 16, 2017 pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York State General Municipal Law (the "Law") before taking official action relating to the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

SECTION 1. <u>Findings</u>. The Agency has reviewed the application together with the environmental assessment form to determine compliance with the requirements of the Act and based on the representations of the Company and the Operator to the Agency in said application and elsewhere, the Agency hereby makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:

- (A) The Project is a permitted project under the Act; and
- (B) Undertaking the Project will advance the Agency's public purposes by leading to the creation of at least three (3) private sector full time and three private sector (3) part time job opportunities within the next two (2) years for the inhabitants of the Counties of Warren and Washington, New York and the State of New York. The Project will also promote the health,

prosperity, and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the Counties of Warren and Washington and the State of New York and improve their standards of living; and

- (C) (i) The Project is an "Unlisted Action" under SEQRA for which the Town of Hampton Planning Board (the "Planning Board") has acted as lead agency. On or about June 21, 2016, the Planning Board reviewed the Project Site Plan Application submitted on behalf of the Company and approved said site plan application, and issued its Negative Declaration that the Project will not have a significant impact on the environment; and (ii) the Agency has thoroughly reviewed the environmental assessment form, negative declaration and related supporting information presented to the Agency within the Company's Application for Assistance in order to determine whether the Project might have any potential significant adverse impacts upon the environment. After conducting this review, the Agency has determined that the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project Facility are consistent with social, economic and other essential considerations and will not result in any significant adverse impacts on the environment. The Agency hereby ratifies the findings and Negative Declaration of the Town of Hampton Planning Board. In doing so, the Agency satisfies the requirements of Part 617 of Title 6 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations and no further SEQRA review is required for the Project; and
- (D) It is in the public interest for the Agency to undertake the Project on behalf of the Company; and
- (E) The completion of the Project will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant of the Company from one area of the State of New York to another area of the State of New York. Further, the completion of the Project will not result in any loss of jobs and all existing jobs will be retained nor will the completion of the Project result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Facility located within the State of New York; and
- (F) The Agency further determines that the Project will result in an increased tax basis for the Project location since the Land is currently assessed at \$127,800.00 and the project consists of a \$3,855,500.00 private investment.
- (G) The Agency hereby finds that the for this Project the private investment, as more specifically described in subsection (F) herein, and the creation of jobs, as more specifically described in subsection (B) herein, shall be considered Material Terms for the purposes of monitoring in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Agency.
- SECTION 2. <u>Preliminary Agreement</u>. The proposed preliminary project agreement by and between the Agency and the Company (the "Preliminary Agreement"), as presented to this meeting, is hereby approved as to substance and form. The proposed agreement outlines the Agency's and the Company's rights and duties with respect to the undertaking of the Project. Subject to such changes as the Chairman of the Agency, upon advice of counsel, may reasonably deem necessary, the Chairman is authorized to execute the Preliminary Agreement, and the Secretary of the Agency is authorized to affix a facsimile of the corporate seal thereto and to

attest to the same. Execution and attestation shall be conclusive evidence that the Agency has approved the Preliminary Agreement.

SECTION 3. <u>Description of Project</u>.

Subject to the conditions set forth herein and in Section 4.02 of the Preliminary Agreement, the Agency shall:

- (A) acquire an interest in, construct and install the Project Facility; and
- (B) lease the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to an agreement or agreements whereby the Company will obligate itself, among other things, to undertake the Project on behalf of the Agency.

SECTION 4. Company Appointed Agent of Agency.

- (A) The Company is hereby appointed the true and lawful agents of the Agency to:
 - (1) construct and install the Project Facility;
 - (2) make, execute, acknowledge, and deliver all contracts, orders, receipts, instructions, and writings needed to complete the Project; and
 - (3) do all other things requisite and proper for the completion of the Project.
- (B) The Company is authorized to proceed with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project Facility, subject to receiving appropriate municipal approvals needed prior to commencement of construction, and to advance such funds as may be necessary to accomplish these goals.
- (C) The Company is also authorized to appoint third party agents to undertake the Project and thereby make available to such third party agents an exemption from New York State sales and use taxes in connection with undertaking the Project. This provision is subject to the Company entering into an Agent Agreement with the Agency.
- (D) The Agency hereby approves of the Agent Agreement, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference, with the Company which shall be subject to the termination and recapture of benefits policy of the Agency and the Agency further authorizes the Chairman to execute the Agent Agreement and any additional documents relative thereto.

SECTION 5. §144 Election. Not Applicable.

SECTION 6. Bond Counsel. Not Applicable.

SECTION 7. <u>Document Preparation</u>. Counsel to the Agency is hereby authorized and directed to cooperate with counsel to the Company, as well as all other necessary parties, in order to prepare the documents needed to undertake the Project.

SECTION 8. Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) Agreement. The Agency's approval is subject to the Company entering into a PILOT Agreement with the Agency whereby the Company agrees to make payments in lieu of taxes in an amount pursuant to the Agency's Uniform Tax Abatement Policy, or pursuant to a schedule that is otherwise agreed upon by the Agency and the Company, in any given year as if the Company were the owner of the Project and not the Agency. The Agency's approval is also subject to the Company agreeing to the terms of the Agency's Recapture Policy, as it may be amended from time to time.

SECTION 9. <u>Public Inspection</u>. A copy of this resolution and a copy of the Company's Application for Assistance, together with all other application materials not protected under applicable Freedom of Information Laws, shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency. Such documents shall be available for public inspection during normal business hours.

SECTION 10. <u>Distribution of Resolution</u>. The Chairman of the Agency is hereby authorized to distribute copies of this resolution to the Company and all other persons requesting it.

SECTION 11. <u>Public Hearing.</u> A public hearing for this Project was duly authorized and held on June 16, 2017 in accordance with the provisions of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law.

SECTION 12. <u>Contingency</u>. This resolution is contingent upon the consent of the New York State Department of Transportation pursuant to section 854(11) of the General Municipal Law.

SECTION 13. <u>Further Action</u>. The Chairman of the Agency is authorized to take such further action as shall be necessary to give effect to and implement this resolution.

SECTION 14. <u>Effective Date</u>. This resolution shall not take effect until the Company delivers to the Agency of a fully executed Preliminary Agreement, as defined herein, together with a \$19,275.00 security deposit.

VOTING:	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Harold G. Taylor	1			
Bruce A. Ferguson	1			
Joseph P. LaFiura	1			
Louis Tessier				1
Dave O'Brien	1			
John W. Weber		_		1
Matthew Simpson	1			
Craig Leggett	1			
Richard F. Moore	1			
TOTALS	7	0	0	2

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote by roll call and was thereupon declared duly adopted.