MPA Owners SEQR Resolution

A regular meeting of the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, County of Nassau, New York on July 2, 2013 at 8:00 a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

PRESENT:

Timothy Williams

Chairman

John Coumatos

Vice Chairman

Christopher Fusco

Asst. Secretary

Gary Weiss

Secretary

Robert English

ABSENT:

John T. Ahern

THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL PERSONS WERE PRESENT:

Joseph J. Kearney

Executive Director

Joseph Foarile

Chief Financial Officer

Administrative Director

Colleen Pereira

Nicholas Terzulli

Director of Business Development

Mary Dolan Grippo

Chief Marketing Officer

Edward Ambrosino, Esq.

General Counsel

Paul O'Brien, Esq.

Bond/Transaction Counsel

Milan Tyler, Esq.

Bond/Transaction Counsel

The attached resolution no. 2013-51 was offered by C. Fusco, seconded by G. Weiss:

Resolution No. 2013-51

RESOLUTION FINDING THAT ACTION TO UNDERTAKE A CERTAIN PROJECT FOR M.P.A. OWNERS LLC WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title I of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act"), and Chapter 674 of the 1975 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 922 of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of manufacturing, industrial and commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "project" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said project to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed and to convey said project or to lease said project with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, M.P.A. Owners LLC ("Applicant"), a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, presented an application for financial assistance (the "Application") requesting that the Agency undertake a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in a parcel of land located at 157-161 Post Avenue, Village of Westbury, Town of North Hempstead, County of Nassau, New York (Section: 10; Block: 99; Lots: 76, 78, 177 & 182) (collectively, the "Land"), (2) the demolition of two (2) existing buildings on the Land and the construction of a new approximately 20,700 square foot building on the Land, together with related improvements to the Land (collectively, the "Building"), and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment (the "Equipment"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant as a mixed-use commercial/residential rental facility (collectively, the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, sales and use taxes and mortgage recording taxes; (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase), license or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency and the sublease thereof to one or more subtenants designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York, being 6 NYCRR Part 617, et. seq., as amended (the "Regulations" and collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), the Agency must satisfy the requirements contained in SEQRA prior to making a final determination whether to undertake the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SEQRA, to aid the Agency in determining whether the Project may have a significant adverse impact upon the environment, the Applicant submitted to the Agency: (1) Applicant's Application for Financial Assistance to the Agency dated November 19, 2010, and (2) a Short Environmental Assessment Form dated February 7, 2011 (collectively the "Project Environmental Documents"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SEQRA, the Agency, in conducting an independent review of the Project, now desires to determine whether the Project may have a significant adverse impact on the environment and whether an Environmental Impact Statement (an "EIS") must be prepared with respect to the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Based upon a thorough review and examination of the Project Environmental Documents and upon the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Project Site and such further investigation of the Project and its environmental effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings with respect to the Project:

- (A) The Agency is undertaking an uncoordinated review of the proposed action in accordance with the requirements of SEQRA;
- (B) Prior to making a recommendation about the potential environmental significance of the Project, the Agency has consulted several information sources, and has considered the list of activities which are Type I Actions outlined in Section 617.4 of the Regulations, the list of activities that are Type II Actions outlined in Section 617.5 of the Regulations, and the criteria for determining significance outlined in Section 617.7 of the Regulations; and
- (C) The Project is an Unlisted action pursuant to SEQRA.

<u>Section 2</u>. No potentially adverse significant impacts on the environment are noted in the EAF and none are known to the Agency.

Section 3. Based upon the foregoing investigations of the potential environmental impacts of the Project and considering both the magnitude and importance of each environmental impact indicated, the Agency makes the following determinations with respect to the Project.

The Project will not have a significant adverse impact upon the environment. The reasons supporting this determination are as follows:

- 1. The Project consists of the demolition of unsightly, one-story single use retail structures and the construction of a new three-story, 20,500 square foot mixed-use facility in downtown Westbury to house residential and retail uses.
- 2. Land use conditions at the Project Facility will not change as a result of the Project. The Land is already developed and was used for retail purposes, and the Project will increase retail use of the Project Site and also incorporate residential units which will increase foot traffic in the downtown area.
- 3. The Land does not contain, nor lie in the immediate vicinity of any surface waterbody.
- 4. The Project will discharge sanitary wastewater to existing sewer lines and will not entail the types of activities or operations that are associated with a significant potential for groundwater contamination.
- 5. The Project will not be a significant source of air emissions or odors. As the Project is an expansion of existing facilities, there may be a minor increase in traffic, but the existing roadway system has the capacity to support such an increase and a minor increase in traffic would not be a significant impact to air quality.
- 6. The Land is already developed and does not possess significant ecological value. There are no sensitive animals, plants or natural communities and/or significant wildlife habitat that will be impacted by the development of the Project Facility.
- 7. The Project does not involve any agricultural land.
- 8. The Project Facility does not contain any scenic views known to be important to the community.
- 9. The Project Facility does not contain historically significant resources. As the Project Site previously has been developed, it lacks the characteristics

which would suggest the potential presence of significant archaeological resources.

- 10. The Project Facility is a mixed-use structure located in downtown Westbury and does not comprise public open space and is not used for recreation.
- 11. The Project Facility is not located in or substantially contiguous to any Critical Environmental Area.
- 12. Existing utility lines serve the Project Facility and no significant improvements are necessary to accommodate the Project.
- 13. Operation of the Project Facility is not expected to appreciably increase ambient noise levels.
- 14. The Project will not result in population growth, and generally is in character with adjacent development. The Project will result in increased employment and residential facilities to serve the downtown area and generate economic growth.
- 15. The Project will not result in any significant impacts associated with solid waste generation. The solid wastes will be collected by a private carter for transport to existing solid waste disposal facilities, and recycling will occur in accordance with local requirements.
- 16. There will be no significant adverse environmental impacts as a result of the Project.

Section 4. The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Executive Director of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Applicant and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

<u>Section 5</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Timothy Williams	VOTING	Aye
John Coumatos	VOTING	Aye
Gary Weiss	VOTING	Aye
Christopher Fusco	VOTING	Aye
John T. Ahern	ABSENT	
Robert English	VOTING	Aye

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK	.)
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COUNTY OF NASSAU)

I, the undersigned [Asst.] Secretary of the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on June 27, 2013, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this day of odoko, 2013.

[Asst.] Secretary

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