HOME DEPOT U.S.A., INC. - PILOT Deviation Resolution

A regular meeting of the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session, <u>electronically</u>, pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.11, 202.28 and 202.48 - Continuing Temporary Suspension And Modification Of Laws Relating To The Disaster Emergency - by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo of the State of New York on July 9, 2020 at 6:45 p.m., local time.

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

PRESENT:

Richard Kessel Chairman
Timothy Williams Secretary
Amy Flores Treasurer
John Coumatos Asst. Treasurer
Chris Fusco Asst. Secretary

NOT PRESENT:

Lewis M. Warren Vice Chairman
Anthony Simon 2nd Vice Chairman

THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL PERSONS WERE PRESENT:

Harry Coghlan Chief Executive Officer / Executive Director

Danielle Oglesby Chief Operating Officer/ Deputy Executive Director

Anne LaMorte Chief Financial Officer

Catherine Fee Director of Business Development/Chief

Marketing Officer

Colleen Pereira Administrative Director
Carlene Wynter Compliance Assistant
Thomas D. Glascock, Esq. General Counsel

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Andrew D. Komaromi, Esq. Bond/Transactional Counsel

The attached resolution no. 2020-53 was offered by Timothy Williams seconded by Chris Fusco.

Resolution No. 2020 - 53

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A DEVIATION FROM THE UNIFORM TAX EXEMPTION POLICY OF THE NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY WITH RESPECT TO A PROJECT FOR HOME DEPOT U.S.A., INC..

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 1 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 "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, LEG ACQUISITION LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and qualified to do business in the State of New York, and HOME DEPOT U.S.A., INC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware and qualified to do business in the State of New York (collectively, the "Applicant"), have presented an application for financial assistance (the "Application") to the Agency, which Application requests that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 9.04 acre parcel of land located at 344 Duffy Avenue, Hamlet of Hicksville, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York (Section: 11; Block: 327; Lot: 421) (the "Land"), (2) the renovation of an approximately 195,610 square foot building (collectively, the "Building") on the Land, together with related improvements to the Land, including surface parking spaces and (3) the acquisition of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment (the "Equipment") necessary for the completion thereof (collectively, the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant as a distribution center; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal Law) with respect to the foregoing in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording taxes and sales and use taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (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

WHEREAS, the Application states that the Applicant is seeking an exemption from real property taxes with respect to the Project Facility that constitutes a deviation from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy (the "Tax Exemption Policy"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 874(4) of the Act, (A) the Executive Director of the Agency caused letter dated June 22, 2020, and as corrected as to the hamlet, only, dated June 26, 2020 (collectively, the "Pilot Deviation Notice Letter") mailed to the chief executive officer of each affected tax jurisdiction, informing said individuals that the Agency would, at its meeting on July 9, 2020 (the "IDA Meeting"), consider a proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy with respect to the payments in lieu of real property taxes to be made pursuant to a payment in lieu of taxes agreement to be entered into by the Agency with respect to the Project Facility; and (B) the members of the Agency conducted the IDA Meeting on the date hereof and reviewed any comments and correspondence received with respect to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to provide for compliance with the provisions of Section 874(4) of the Act with respect to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy;

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

Section 1. Prior to making the determinations set forth in this resolution, the members of the Agency have considered the following factors set forth in the Tax Exemption Policy: (1) the extent to which the Proposed Project would create or retain permanent jobs; (2) the extent to which the Proposed Project would create construction jobs; (3) the estimated value of tax exemptions to be provided with respect to the Proposed Project; (4) the amount of private sector investment generated or likely to be generated by the Proposed Project; (5) the likelihood of the Proposed Project being accomplished in a timely manner; (6) the extent of new revenue that would be provided to affected tax jurisdictions as a result of the Proposed Project; (7) whether affected tax jurisdictions would be reimbursed by the Applicant if a Proposed Project does not fulfill the purposes for which an exemption was provided, (8) the impact of the Proposed Project on existing and proposed businesses and economic development projects in the vicinity, (9) the demonstrated public support for the Proposed Project, (10) the effect of the Proposed Project on the environment, (11) the extent to which the Proposed Project would require the provision of additional services, including, but not limited to, additional educational, transportation, police, emergency, medical or fire services, and (12) any other miscellaneous public benefits that might result from the Proposed Project.

Section 2. The Agency hereby determines that the Agency has fully complied with the requirements of Section 874(4) of the Act relating to the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy.

Section 3. Having reviewed all comments and correspondence received at or prior to the IDA Meeting, the Agency hereby approves the proposed deviation from the Tax Exemption Policy as described in the Pilot Deviation Notice Letter (a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A) because the proposed deviation is necessary to induce the Applicant to undertake the Proposed Project and because the PILOT payments would not be lower than the real property

taxes that should otherwise apply with respect to the Land and the existing improvements thereon as of the closing date of the transaction.

Section 4. The Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer/Executive Director, Chief Operating Officer and the Administrative Director of the Agency are each hereby authorized and directed, acting individually or jointly, 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. If the Agency hereafter adopts appropriate final approving resolutions with respect to the proposed straight-lease transaction with the Applicant (the "Transaction"), the Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer/Executive Director, Chief Operating Officer and the Administrative Director of the Agency are each hereby authorized and directed, acting individually or jointly, to cause the Agency to (A) enter into a Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement with the Applicant, providing, among other things, that the Applicant shall make payments in lieu of taxes consistent with the formula set forth in the Pilot Deviation Notice Letter, and (B) file an application for real property tax exemption with the appropriate assessor(s) with respect to the Project Facility.

<u>Section 5</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately, but is subject to and conditioned upon the closing of the Transaction.

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

VOTING Aye
VOTING Absent
VOTING Absent
VOTING Aye
VOTING Aye
VOTING Aye
VOTING Aye

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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COUNTY OF NASSAU

We, the undersigned [Vice] Chairman and [Assistant] Secretary of the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), do hereby certify that we have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on July 9, 2020 with the original thereof on file in our 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.

WE 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 5 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law") as modified pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.11, 202.28 and 202.48 - Continuing Temporary Suspension And Modification Of Laws Relating To The Disaster Emergency - by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo of the State of New York, 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.

WE 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, we have hereunto set our respective hands and affixed the seal of the Agency this 9th day of July, 2020.

[Assistant] Secretary

[Vice] Chairman

(SEAL)

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[Assistant] Secretary

[Vice] Chairman

(SEAL)

PILOT DEVIATION SCHEDULE

Assessed Value of Improvement ("AV")	N/A N/A	0.00 AV SUM OF TAX RATES AS OF YEAR OF CLOSING ("RATE")	0.07 AV RATE	0.13 AV RATE	0.20 AV RATE	0.27 AV RATE	0.33 AV Rate * 1.0181	0.40 AV Rate * 1.0365	0.47 AV Rate * 1.0553		0.60 AV Rate * 1.0938	0.67 AV Rate * 1.1136	0.73 AV Rate * 1.1338	0.80 AV Rate * 1.1543	0.87 AV Rate * 1.1752	0.93 AV Rate * 1.1965		TOTAL PILOT	BASE PII OT + IMPROVEMENT PII OT	BASE PILOT + IMPROVEMENT PILOT	BASE PILOT + IMPROVEMENT PILOT	BASE PILOT + IMPROVEMENT PILOT	BASE PILOT + IMPROVEMENT PILOT	BASE PILOT + IMPROVEMENT PILOT	BASE PILOT + IMPROVEMENT PILOT	BASE PILOT + IMPROVEMENT PILOT	BASE PILOT + IMPROVEMENT PILOT	BASE PILOT + IMPROVEMENT PILOT					
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