120 JERICHO ASSOCIATES LLC - SEQRA Resolution

A regular meeting of the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the Theodore Roosevelt Executive & Legislative Building, Legislative Chambers, 1550 Franklin Avenue, Mineola, Nassau County, New York, on March 30, 2023, at 6:45 p.m., local time.

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

PRESENT:

Richard Kessel

Chair

John Coumatos

Asst. Treasurer

Reginald A. Spinello

Member Member

Raymond Pinto Victor LaGreca

Member

NOT PRESENT:

William H. Rockensies

Member

THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL PERSONS WERE PRESENT:

Sheldon L. Shrenkel

Chief Executive Officer/Executive Director

Anne LaMorte

Chief Financial Officer Administrative Director

Colleen Pereira

Compliance Assistant

Carlene Wynter Nicole Gil

Administrative Assistant Director of Operations

Ben Ciorra
Paul O'Brien

Bond/Transaction Counsel

The attached resolution no. 2023-15 was offered by V. LaGreca, seconded by R. Pinto:

Resolution No. 2023-15

RESOLUTION OF THE NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT CONCERNING THE CLASSIFICATION OF A CERTAIN PROJECT FOR 120 JERICHO ASSOCIATES LLC

Name of Project:

120 JERICHO ASSOCIATES LLC

Location:

120 Jericho Turnpike, Jericho, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New

York (SBL No. 17-16-47)

SEQR Status:

Type II

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of the New York State Industrial Development Agency Act, 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 71 of the 1972 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 895-h 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, renovating, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of 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, among other things, (i) acquire by purchase, lease, gift, bequest, devise or otherwise real or personal property or interests therein; and (ii) 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, 120 JERICHO ASSOCIATES LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York, on behalf of itself and/or the principals of 120 Jericho Associates LLC and/or an entity formed or to be formed on behalf of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Applicant"), has 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 1.64 acre parcel of land located at 120 Jericho Turnpike, Jericho, Town of Oyster Bay, Nassau County, New York (Section: 17; Block: 16; Lot: 47) (the "Land"), (2) the renovation of the existing approximately 53,000 square foot building (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 commercial facility to be leased to New York Institute of Technology ("NYIT") and operated by NYIT as a student housing facility; (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 and mortgage recording 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(ies) as may be 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 ("NYSDEC"), 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, the Town of Oyster Bay ("Town") Board of Trustees determined on January 19, 2023 that the Project is a Type II action under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SEQRA, to aid the Agency in determining whether the Project may have a significant adverse impact upon the environment, the Agency has completed, received and/or reviewed: (1) the Application; and (2) a Short Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF" and together with the Application, collectively, the "Environmental Information"); and

WHEREAS, prior to making a recommendation about the potential environmental significance of the Project, the Agency has reviewed the Environmental Information, consulted various information sources, and considered the list of activities that 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

WHEREAS, a thorough analysis of the Environmental Information and potential environmental impacts associated with the Project reveals that the Project will not have any potentially significant adverse environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, prior to making a recommendation about the potential environmental significance of the Project, the Agency has reviewed the Environmental Information, consulted various information sources, and considered the list of activities that 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

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR 617.2(ak) of the Regulations states that a Type II action is an action or class of actions identified under 6 NYCRR 617.5; and

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR 617.5(a) states that actions identified as Type II actions have been determined not to have a significant impact on the environment or are otherwise precluded from environmental review under the SEQR Act; and

WHEREAS, 6 NYCRR 617.5(c) states that Type II actions not subject to further review under SEQRA include "maintenance or repair involving no substantial changes in an existing structure or facility," "replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction or a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this Part," the "purchase or sale of furnishings, equipment or supplies, including surplus government property" and "reuse of a residential or commercial structure, or of a structure containing mixed residential and commercial uses, where the residential or commercial use is a permitted use under the applicable zoning law or ordinance" in connection with a project; and

WHEREAS, the Project consists of renovation of the existing Building within its existing footprint and improvements to the interior of the Building to accommodate the installation of the Equipment and the reuse of the Project Facility;

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

Section 1. Based upon the Agency's review of the Environmental Information, the Agency has made the following findings:

- (a) The Project is a Type II action under SEQRA, precluded from further environmental review, because it consists of the "replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes," the "purchase or sale of furnishings, equipment or supplies, including surplus government property" and "reuse of a residential or commercial structure, or of a structure containing mixed residential and commercial uses, where the residential or commercial use is a permitted use under the applicable zoning law or ordinance" in connection with a project and does not meet or exceed any threshold for a Type I action.
- (b) More specifically, the Project involves the replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, because it involves interior renovation and rehabilitation of an existing structure with use and occupancy by a type of use permitted within the zoning district occupied by the Land. The Project will not expand the footprint of the Project Facility nor increase or substantially alter environmental impacts associated with the Land. Finally, the Project includes the acquisition of the Equipment in connection with the above.

<u>Section 2</u>. The Chairman, the Vice Chairman, the Chief Executive Officer/Executive Director and the Administrative Director of the Agency are hereby further authorized on behalf of the Agency, or acting together or individually, 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.

 $\underline{Section\ 3.}$ 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:

Richard Kessel	VOTING	Aye
John Coumatos	VOTING	Aye
Reginald A. Spinello	VOTING	Aye
William H. Rockensies	EXCUSED	
Raymond Pinto	VOTING	Aye
Victor LaGreca	VOTING	Aye

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

) SS.:

COUNTY OF NASSAU

We, the undersigned [Vice] Chair 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 March 30, 2023 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 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; (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting; and (E) the meeting was recorded and the recording has been or will be posted on the public website of the Agency pursuant to the Open Meetings Law.

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 _____ day of March, 2023.

[Vice] Chair

sistant Secretary

(SEAL)