## RESOLUTION

As a result of the public health emergency created by COVID-19, the Federal, State and local bans on meetings or gatherings, and pursuant to Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1 issued on March 12, 2020, as amended from time to time, the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") held a meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020, at 8:15 a.m., local time, electronically which was made available via Webex https://syrgov.webex.com/syrgov/j.php?MTID=m0b690432417d6afa7267d296ad2a1f00 (or by accessing the link on the Agency's website) and using meeting number 129 787 4538 and password SLDC-SIDA; or via telephone at (408) 418-9388 with access code: 129 787 4538, in conjunction with the matter set forth below.

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

**PRESENT VIA TELE/VIDEOCONFERENCE** (in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 202.1): Kathleen Murphy, Steven Thompson, Kenneth Kinsey, Rickey T. Brown

**ABSENT**: Dirk Sonneborn

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT VIA TELE/VIDEOCONFERENCE (in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 202.1): Staff Present: Judith DeLaney, Susan Katzoff, Esq., John Vavonese, Lori McRobbie; Others Present: Jennifer Tifft, Gail Cawley, Katherine Maguire, Esq., Wendy Lougnot, Esq., Sarah Stevens, Lauryn LaBorde, Richard Engel, Esq., John Snyder, Todd Reid, Shanelle Reid

The following resolution was offered by Kenneth Kinsey and seconded by Rickey T. Brown:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AGENCY TO UNDERTAKE A PROJECT IN CONNECTION WITH LANDSCAPING SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED IN THE LAKEFRONT REDEVELOPMENT AREA FOR THE YEAR 2020 AND TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the policy of the State of New York (the "State") set forth in Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State, as amended (the "IDA Act"), is to promote the economic welfare, recreation opportunities and prosperity of its inhabitants and to actively promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation, economically sound commerce and industry through governmental action for the purpose of preventing unemployment and economic deterioration by the creation of industrial development agencies and to protect and promote the health of the inhabitants of the State and to increase trade through promoting the development of

facilities to provide recreation for the citizens of the State and to attract tourists from other states; and

WHEREAS, City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") constitutes an industrial development agency established under the IDA Act and Chapter 641 of the Laws of 1979 of the State of New York, as amended from time to time (together with the IDA Act, the "Act") and is thereby authorized and empowered to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation facilities, including industrial pollution control facilities, educational or cultural facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, hold and dispose of personal property for its corporate purposes; with the consent of the municipality, to use agents, employees and facilities of the municipality and pay the municipality its agreed proportion of the compensation or costs therefor; to appoint officers, agents and employees and pay their compensation out of funds of the Agency; make contracts and leases; to use gifts, grants, loans or contributions for any of its corporate purposes; and to all things necessary or convenient to carry out its purposes and exercise the powers expressly given in the IDA Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency received certain funds and other payments in lieu of taxes from one or more projects previously undertaken by the Agency where some or all of the monies were restricted (the "*Restricted Funds*") for use in the revitalization in and around the inner harbor and lakefront areas including but not limited to the Franklin Square area of the City of Syracuse (the "*City*") (collectively, the "*Lakefront Redevelopment Area*"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency has undertaken several projects in and around the Lakefront Redevelopment Area over the past several years and the Agency is interested in ensuring that the public grounds, including but not limited to, landscaping in the Lakefront Redevelopment Area is maintained (the "Work") to further promote the economic welfare, recreational opportunities and prosperity of its inhabitants and to actively promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation, economically sound commerce and industry in the Lakefront Redevelopment Area and to further support the projects previously undertaken in that area; and

**WHEREAS,** the Agency is desirous of using an amount not to exceed \$21,000 of its Restricted Funds (the "*Funding*"), to cover the costs associated with the Work from now through December 31, 2020, to be performed by the City of Syracuse Park's Department (the "*City*"); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Agency's procurement policy, because the services are being provided by the City of Syracuse, alternative proposals or quotations are not required; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York, as amended, and the regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as "SEQRA"), the Agency is required to make a determination as to whether the "action" (as said quoted term is defined in SEQRA) to be taken by the Agency may have a "significant impact on the environment" (as said quoted term is utilized in SEQRA). The Agency has classified the execution and delivery of the Agreement (as defined herein) and the advancement of the Funding as a "Type II" action as that term is defined under SEQRA, and therefore no further review is required; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it resolved by the members of the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency as follows:

**Section 1.** It is the policy of the State to promote the economic welfare, recreation opportunities and prosperity of its inhabitants and to actively promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation and economically sound commerce and industry for the purpose of preventing unemployment and economic deterioration.

<u>Section 2.</u> It is among the purposes of the Agency to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of certain facilities, including commercial facilities, and thereby advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State and to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living.

**Section 3.** The Agency hereby makes the following findings and determinations:

- (a) the action authorized pursuant to this Resolution constitutes a Type II action under SEQRA and no further review is required;
- (b) the Agency has the authority to provide the Funding for the performance of the Work and hereby authorizes same provided that the source of the funds necessary to pay for the Work shall be paid solely from the Restricted Funds and provided further that such funds be advanced in accordance with the Agreement (as defined herein) and this Resolution; and
- (c) the Funding is in furtherance of the Agency's corporate purposes and supports projects previously undertaken by the Agency in the area and helps prevent economic deterioration and promote economic development, recreational opportunities and prosperity of the inhabitants of the City and help attract, encourage and develop recreation, economically sound commerce and industry in the Lakefront Redevelopment Area as well as the general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the City in furtherance of the purposes of the Act.

Section 4. The (Vice)Chair and or the Executive Director of the Agency are each hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to negotiate, execute and deliver an agreement with the City of Syracuse, NY (the "City") to effectuate the advancement of the Funding in a manner and on terms acceptable to the (Vice)Chair to ensure the timely performance of the Work

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(collectively, the "*Agreement*"). The execution thereof by the (Vice)Chair and or the Executive Director shall constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

Section 5. Should any court of competent jurisdiction determine that the Agency is not authorized under the Act to participate in the Agreement, this Resolution shall automatically become null, void and of no further force and effect with respect thereto, and the Agency shall have no liability to the City hereunder or otherwise.

Section 6. No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this Resolution or any other document referred to above shall be deemed to be the covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his or her individual capacity. None of the members or officers of the Agency shall be liable or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the execution of any document referred to above.

<u>Section 7.</u> The Secretary and/or staff of the Agency is hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

**Section 8.** A copy of this Resolution shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours.

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

	AYE	NAY
Kathleen Murphy	X	
Steven Thompson	X	
Kenneth Kinsey	X	
Rickey T. Brown	X	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) <b>SS.:</b>
COUNTY OF ONONDAGA	)

I, the undersigned Secretary of the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") held on June 16, 2020, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same (including all exhibits) is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of the whole of such original insofar as the same relates to the subject matters referred to therein.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that: (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of such meeting; (ii) pursuant to Section 104 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), as temporarily amended by Executive Order 202.1 issued on March 12, 2020, as amended from time to time ("EO 202.1"), such meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and how to participate in such meeting was duly given in accordance with such Section 104 and EO 202.1; (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held; and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

**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.

 $_{7/10/2020}$  **IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on

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Docusigned by:

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Rickey T. Brown, Secretary

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