SEQRA RESOLUTION

A regular meeting of the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on November 18, 2022 at 8:00 o'clock a.m., local time, in the Common Council Chambers, City Hall, 233 East Washington Street, Syracuse, New York.

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

PRESENT: Kathleen Murphy, Steven Thompson, Kenneth Kinsey, Dirk Sonneborn, Rickey T. Brown

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT: <u>Staff Present</u>: Judith DeLaney, Susan Katzoff, Esq., Lori McRobbie; <u>Others Present</u>: David Nutting, Charles C. Wallace, III, Sarah Stevens, Stephen Etoll, Esq., Greg Cleghorn, Colin Cleghorn, Leroy Draper, Jim Stevenson, Christopher Bianchi, Rick Moriarty

The following resolution was offered by Dirk Sonneborn and seconded by Steven Thompson:

RESOLUTION CLASSIFYING A CERTAIN PROJECT AS AN UNLISTED ACTION PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT, DECLARING THE AGENCY LEAD AGENCY FOR PURPOSES OF AN UNCOORDINATED REVIEW THEREUNDER AND DETERMINING THAT THE ACTION WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "State"), as amended, together with Chapter 641 of the Laws of 1979 of the State of New York, as amended from time to time (collectively, the "Act"), 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, for the purpose of promoting economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living; and

WHEREAS, One Webster's Landing, LLC, or an entity to be formed (the "Company"), by application dated October 25, 2022 (the "Application"), requested the Agency undertake a project (the "Project") consisting of: (A)(i) the acquisition of an interest in approximately 1.4 acres of real property located at 493 Oswego Boulevard and 471-81 Oswego Boulevard, which parcel is improved by an approximately 30,000 sq.ft., five-story historic building, all located in the City of Syracuse, New York (collectively, the "Land"); (ii)(a) the renovation of the existing

building into approximately 34 one-bedroom apartment units, installation of high efficiency mechanical systems, a fitness center, a first-floor common lounge area and private outdoor spaces, all located on the Land (the "Facility"); (iii) the acquisition and installation in and on the Land and Facility of furniture, fixtures and equipment (the "Equipment" and together with the Land and the Facility, the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real estate taxes, State and local sales and use tax and mortgage recording tax (in accordance with Section 874 of the General Municipal Law) (collectively the "Financial Assistance"); (C) the appointment of the Company or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, renovation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease of the Land and Facility by the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement and the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company to the Agency; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

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 with respect to the environmental impact of any "action" (as defined by SEQRA) to be taken by the Agency and the Project constitutes such an action; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Agency in determining whether the action described above may have a significant adverse impact upon the environment, a Short Environmental Assessment Form (the "*EAF*") was prepared, a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has examined and reviewed the EAF in order to classify the action and make a determination as to the potential significance of the action pursuant to SEQRA; and

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

- (1) Based upon an examination of the materials provided by the Company in furtherance of the Project, the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR §§617.6 and 617.7(c), and based further upon the Agency's knowledge of the action and its environmental effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings and determinations pursuant to SEQRA:
- (a) The action constitutes an "Unlisted Action" (as said quoted term is defined in SEQRA);

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¹ The Facility includes approximately 45 space surface parking lot which will be used to support the apartments, however, no Financial Assistance (as defined herein) shall be allocated to the surface parking lot.

- (b) The Agency declares itself "Lead Agency" (as said quoted term is defined in SEQRA) with respect to an uncoordinated review pursuant to SEQRA;
- (c) The action is designed to preserve the Facility and ensure its continued viability and will not have a significant effect on the environment, and the Agency hereby issues a negative declaration pursuant to SEQRA, attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**, which shall be filed in the office of the Agency in a file that is readily accessible to the public.
- (2) A copy of this Resolution, together with the attachments hereto, shall be placed on file in the office of the Agency where the same shall be available for public inspection during business hours.
- (3) This Resolution shall take effect immediately. The Secretary and/or Executive Director of the Agency is hereby authorized to distribute copies of this Resolution and do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.
- (4) The Agency hereby authorizes Agency staff to take all further actions deemed necessary and appropriate to fulfill the Agency's responsibilities under SEQRA.

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

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The foregoing resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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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 November 18, 2022, with the original thereof on file in the office of the Agency, 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), such meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and place of such meeting was duly given in accordance with such Section 104, (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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency

City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency

Rickey T. Brown, Secretary

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EXHIBIT "A"

Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project: One Webster's Landing, LLC Project

Date: November 18, 2022

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 - Impact Assessment

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

		No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1.	Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	✓	
2.	Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	✓	
3.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	✓	
4.	Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	✓	
5.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	✓	
6.	Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	✓	
7.	Will the proposed action impact existing: a. public / private water supplies?	✓	
	b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	✓	
8.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	V	
9.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	✓	
10.	Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	✓	
11.	Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	✓	

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Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

(8) Impacts on historical and archaeological resources – project sponsor is working with the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to rehabilitate the existing building and project sponsor will comply with SHPO's requirements, including, but not limited to, submitting a Federal Rehabilitation Tax Credit Part 2 Application.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an				
environmental impact statement is required.				
Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.				
City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency	November 18, 2022			
Name of Lead Agency	Date			
Judith DeLaney	Executive Director			
Print of Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer			
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)			

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