

FINAL APPROVING RESOLUTION

A regular meeting of the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on January 15, 2019 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 Chairman and upon the roll being duly called, the following members were:

PRESENT: Michael Frame, Kathleen Murphy, Rickey T. Brown, Steven Thompson, Kenneth Kinsey

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT: **Staff Present:** Honora Spillane, Meghan Ryan, Esq., Judith DeLaney, Susan Katzoff, Esq., John Vavonese, Debra Ramsey-Burns; **Others Present:** Aggie Lane, Rich Puchalski, Timothy Lynn, Esq., Donna Harris, Theodore Trespaz, Esq., Bob Doucette, Rich DeVito; **Media:** Channel 9, Rick Moriarty

The following resolution was offered by Kathleen Murphy and seconded by Steven Thompson:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A COMMERCIAL PROJECT UNDERTAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF THE COMPANY

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, Commonsplace Warren, LLC, or an entity to be formed (the "**Company**"), by application dated November 6, 2018 (the "**Application**"), requested the Agency undertake a project (the "**Project**") consisting of: **WHEREAS**, Commonsplace Warren, LLC, or an entity to be formed (the "**Company**"), by application dated November 6, 2018 (the "**Application**"), requested the Agency undertake a project (the "**Project**") consisting of: (A)(i) the acquisition of an interest in approximately: (a) 3,102 sq. ft. of real property located at 349 South Warren St., improved by an approximate 15,180 sq. ft. building ("**349**"); (b) 8,680 sq. ft. of real property located at 351-53 South Warren Street, improved by an approximate 68,185 sq. ft.

building ("351"); and (c) 6,006 sq. ft. of real property located at 357-59 South Warren St., improved by an approximate 30,800 sq. ft. building ("357"), each in the City of Syracuse, New York (collectively, the "**Land**"); (A)(ii) the reconstruction and renovation of: (a) approximately 10,800 sq. ft. on the 4th and 5th floors of 349 into modern office space and common work space; (b) approximately 22,500 sq. ft. on the 6th, 7th and 8th floors of at 351 to accommodate approximately 44 apartment units; and the renovation of approximately 7,500 sq. ft. on the 2nd floor of at 351 into common work space; and (c) approximately 3,000 sq. ft. on the 2nd floor of 357 to accommodate new office space with two doorways connecting the 2nd floor of 357 to 351; and approximately 1,000 sq. ft. in the basement of 357 to create an access corridor with 351, all located on the Land (collectively, the "**Facility**"); (iii) the acquisition and installation in and at 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 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, redevelopment, 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, each 349 and 351 contain retail space on the first floors, respectively, which will not be renovated as part of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing with respect to the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance on January 15, 2019 pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, notice of which was published on December 27, 2018, in the Post-Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Syracuse, New York and given to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions by letters dated December 21, 2018; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the State Environmental Conservation Law, as amended and the regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively "**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 approval of the Project and grant of Financial Assistance constitute such an action; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on January 15, 2019 (the "**SEQRA Resolution**") entitled:

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

which resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended or modified; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on January 15, 2019 (the “*Inducement Resolution*”) entitled:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE UNDERTAKING, ACQUISITION, RECONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF A PROJECT; APPOINTING THE COMPANY AS AGENT OF THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACQUISITION, RECONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND THE COMPANY

which resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended or modified; and

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

Section 1. Based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency and after consideration of the comments received at the public hearing, if any, the Agency hereby ratifies all of its prior resolutions adopted in conjunction with the Project, including but not limited to the SEQRA Resolution, the Inducement Resolution and all other action with respect to the Project and Financial Assistance taken by the Agency, and makes the following findings and determinations:

(a) The acquisition of a controlling interest in the Project Facility by the Agency, the granting of the approved Financial Assistance in accordance with the Inducement Resolution and the designation of the Company as the Agency’s agent for completion of the Project will be an inducement to, and permit, the Company to develop and operate the Project Facility in the City of Syracuse, thus serving the public purposes of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of New York State by promoting and preserving the job opportunities, general prosperity, health and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Syracuse (the “*City*”) in furtherance of the purposes of the Act;

(b) The Project will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State to another area of the State or result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act;

(c) The commitment of the Agency to provide the approved Financial Assistance in accordance with the Inducement Resolution to the Company will enable and induce the Company to acquire, reconstruct, renovate, equip and complete the Project Facility;

(d) The acquisition, reconstruction, renovation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility and the attendant promotion of the local economy will advance the job opportunities, health, prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the City and the granting of the Financial Assistance is a necessary component to the financing of the Project;

(e) The Project Facility constitutes a “project” within the meaning of the Act;
and

(f) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to grant Financial Assistance in connection with the Project.

Section 2. 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. The Project will serve the public purposes of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York by advancing job opportunities and promoting economic development.

Section 3. It is among the purposes of the Agency to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, 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 4. Subject to the conditions set forth in this and prior resolutions adopted by the Agency, the Project Agreement, and the Agreement (each as defined in the Inducement Resolution), the Agency will: (A) acquire a controlling interest in the Project Facility; (B) lease or sell the Land and Facility from the Company pursuant to a lease or sale agreement between the Agency and the Company (the “*Company Lease*”); acquire an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company (the “*Bill of Sale*”); and sublease or sell the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to a sublease or sale agreement (the “*Agency Lease*”); (C) secure the Company’s borrowings with respect to the Project Facility by joining in one or more construction or permanent mortgages on the Project Facility in favor of the Company’s lenders(s); (D) provide the approved Financial Assistance; and (E) execute and deliver any other documents necessary to effectuate the actions contemplated by and consistent with this Resolution upon the advice of counsel to the Agency.

Section 5. The (Vice) Chairman and the Executive Director of the Agency, acting individually, are each hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the documents and agreements identified in Section 4 of this Resolution as well as the Lease Documents (as defined in the Inducement Resolution) and any such additional certificates, instruments, documents or affidavits, to pay any such other fees,

charges and expenses, to make such other changes, omissions, insertions, revisions, or amendments to the documents referred to in Section 4 of this Resolution, as the (Vice) Chairman deems appropriate, and to do and cause to be done any such other acts and things, as they determine, on advice of counsel to the Agency, may be necessary or desirable to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Section 6. No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this resolution or any document referred to herein 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. Neither the members nor officers of the Agency, nor any person executing any documents referred to above on behalf of the Agency, shall be liable thereon or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the execution or delivery thereof.

Section 7. Bousquet Holstein PLLC, as counsel to the Agency, is hereby authorized to work with the Company and others to prepare, for submission to the (Vice)Chairman and/or the Executive Director, all documents necessary to effect the undertaking of the Project and the grant of Financial Assistance in connection with the Project.

Section 8. The approvals provided for herein are contingent upon the Company's payment of all of the Agency's fees and costs, including but not limited to attorneys fees.

Section 9. 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.

Section 10. This Resolution shall take effect immediately. 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.

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

	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>
Michael Frame	X	
Steven Thompson	X	
Kathleen Murphy	X	
Rickey T. Brown	X	
Kenneth Kinsey	X	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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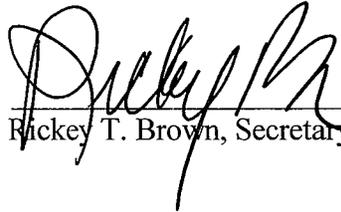
I, the undersigned Secretary of the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency (the “*Agency*”) held on January 15, 2019, with the original thereof on 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), 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 this 20th day of February, 2019.

City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency



Rickey T. Brown, Secretary

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