

FINAL APPROVING RESOLUTION

A regular meeting of the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on December 20, 2016 at 8:30 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: William Ryan, Donald Schoenwald, Esq., Steven Thompson, Kenneth Kinsey

EXCUSED: Catherine Richardson, Esq.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT: Staff Present: Honora Spillane, Judith DeLaney, Meghan Ryan, Esq., Susan Katzoff, Esq., John Vavonese, Meghan Ryan, Esq.; Others: Barry Lentz, Paul Curtin, Carol Zenzel, Esq., Timothy Lynn, Esq., Donna Harris, Leann West, Aggie Lane, Michael Wicker, James Trasher, Mark Riley, Rich Punchanski, David Delvecchio, Ed Riley, Richard Engel, Esq., Alex Marion; Media Present: Rick Moriarty

The following resolution was offered by Donald Schoenwald and seconded by Kenneth Kinsey:

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, Symphony Tower, LLC, or an entity to be formed (the "**Company**"), by application dated July 12, 2016 (the "**Application**"), requested that the Agency undertake a project (the "**Project**") consisting of: (A)(i) the acquisition of an interest in approximately 54,502 square feet of real property improved by one (1) existing approximately 129,000 square foot building (the "**Building**") located at 111-113 East Onondaga Street and 457 South Salina Street, in the City of Syracuse, New York (the "**Land**"); the partial demolition and renovation of the

Building for use as a fifteen (15) story approximately 120 room extended stay hotel (the “*Facility*”); (iii) the acquisition and installation in and at the Land and Facility of furniture, fixtures, inventory 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 property tax, State and local sales and use tax and mortgage recording tax (except as limited by 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, construction, 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, the Agency adopted a resolution on August 16, 2016 (the “*SEQRA Lead Agency Resolution*”) entitled:

RESOLUTION CLASSIFYING A CERTAIN PROJECT AS A TYPE I ACTION AND DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE CITY OF SYRACUSE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO BE LEAD AGENCY FOR PURPOSES OF A COORDINATED REVIEW PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT

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

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on December 20, 2016 (the “*SEQRA Resolution*”) entitled:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF A CERTAIN PROJECT AT THE REQUEST OF SYMPHONY TOWER, LLC 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 December 20, 2016 (the “*Inducement Resolution*”) entitled:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE UNDERTAKING, ACQUISITION, RENOVATION, EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF A COMMERCIAL FACILITY; APPOINTING THE COMPANY AS AGENT OF THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACQUISITION, 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

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on December 20, 2016 (the “**PILOT Resolution**”) entitled:

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAX SCHEDULE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A PILOT AGREEMENT

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 Lead Agency Resolution, the SEQRA Resolution, the Inducement Resolution, the PILOT 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 Financial Assistance 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 Financial Assistance to the Company will enable and induce the Company to renovate, equip and complete the Project Facility.

(d) The acquisition, 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.

(f) The Project is located in a “Highly Distressed Area” as defined in Section 854(18) of the Act.

(g) 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, constructing, 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 the Land and Facility from the Company pursuant to a lease 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 the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to a sublease 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 Chairman, Vice Chairman and any authorized representative 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 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 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. The Agency's participation in any of the documents referenced herein, or the granting of the approved Financial Assistance, is contingent upon counsel for the Agency's review and the Chairman or Vice Chairman's approval of, all documents requested or required by the Agency in connection with the Project Facility, as well as the Company's execution of the Agreement, the Project Agreement (each as defined in the Inducement Resolution) and all other documents required by the Agency to effectuate the intent of this Resolution and all prior resolutions adopted by the Agency in conjunction with this Project, and as required in similar transactions.

Section 7. 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 8. Counsel to the Agency is hereby authorized to work with the Company and others to prepare, for submission to the Chairman and/or Vice Chairman, all documents necessary to effect the undertaking of the Project and the grant of Financial Assistance in connection with the Project.

Section 9. 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 10. 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 11. 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>
William Ryan	X	
Donald Schoenwald, Esq.	X	
Steven Thompson	X	
Kenneth Kinsey	X	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

