

MINUTES
COUNTY OF OSWEGO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
August 31, 2022
44 West Bridge St.
Oswego, NY

PRESENT: Canale, Greco, Schick, Stahl, Toth and Trimble

Absent/Excused: None

Also Present: Lorrie Burrows, Kevin C. Caraccioli, Kevin LaMontagne, Morris Sorbello, L. Michael Treadwell, Camille Warner and Austin Wheelock

Chair Toth convened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. at the IDA office in Oswego, NY.

MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Canale, seconded by Mr. Greco, the minutes of the July 28, 2022 and meeting were approved.

On a motion by Mr. Greco, seconded by Mr. Canale, the minutes of the August 17, 2022 special meeting were approved.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting notices were posted at the Oswego County Building, the IDA Office Building and on the IDA website. A notice was published in The Palladium Times on August 23, 2022.

TREASURERS REPORT

On a motion by Mr. Stahl, seconded by Mr. Trimble, the Financial Statements for the period ended May 31, 2022 were approved.

WILLIAMSTOWN PV, LLC

Following a review of the Cost/Benefit Analysis of the 2.7 MW solar renewable energy project to be located on an approximately 21.6-acre site in the Town of Williamstown and a review of the Public Hearing held on August 12, 2022, a Resolution classifying a certain project as a Type I Action pursuant to the SEQRA and determining that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment was approved. The SEQRA Resolution is attached.

On a motion by Mr. Trimble, seconded by Mr. Canale, a Resolution authorizing the undertaking of the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of a certain project, appointing Williamstown PV, LLC (“The Company”) as Agent of the Agency for the purpose of the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the project; approving certain financial assistance; and authorizing the execution and delivery of an Agreement between the Agency and The Company was approved. The Inducement Resolution is attached.

On a motion by Mr. Greco, seconded by Mr. Canale, a Resolution approving a PILOT schedule and authorizing the execution and delivery of certain documents by the Agency in connection with a certain project undertaken at the request of The Company was approved. The PILOT Resolution is attached.

On a motion by Mr. Stahl, seconded by Mr. Greco, a Resolution authorizing the execution and delivery of certain documents by the Agency in connection with a project undertaken at the request of The Company was approved. The Final Approving Resolution is attached.

NOVELIS

Following a discussion, on a motion by Mr. Greco, seconded by Mr. Stahl, a Resolution determining that the acquisition, construction, renovation and equipping of a commercial facility at the request of the NOVELIS CORPORATION constitutes a project, describing the financial assistance requested in connection therewith, and authorizing a Public Hearing was approved. The Initial Resolution is attached.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Mr. Stahl, seconded by Mr. Canale, it was approved to go into Executive Session to discuss the financial history of a particular corporation or individual, pending litigation and contractual matters at 9:53 a.m.

On a motion by Mr. Canale, seconded by Mr. Greco it was approved to exit the Executive Session at 10:35 a.m.

DELINQUENT LOAN REPORT

Following a review by Mr. LaMontagne in Executive Session, on a motion by Mr. Greco, seconded by Mr. Trimble, the Report as of July 31, 2022 was approved.

PILOT EDF REPORT

Mr. Treadwell provided the Report as of July 31, 2022 in Executive Session.

WHITEWATER COMMONS

Following a discussion in Executive Session, on a motion by Mr. Stahl, seconded by Mr. Canale, a Resolution consenting to the refinancing in connection with a certain project for Whitewater Commons, Inc. and determining other matters in connection therewith was approved. The Resolution Consenting to a Refinance is attached.

LITATRO BUILDING, LLC

Following a discussion in Executive Session, on a motion by Mr. Canale, seconded by Mr. Trimble, a Resolution consenting to the refinancing in connection with a certain project for Litatro Building, LLC and determining other matters in connection therewith was approved. The Resolution Consenting to a Refinance is attached.

DAVID DANO

Chair Toth requested a moment of silence in memory of Mr. Dano.

NEXT MEETING

September 28, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. was scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Mr. Greco, seconded by Mr. Canale, the meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. Leonard Schick
Secretary

SEQRA RESOLUTION

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on August 31, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. local time, at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego New York .

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

PRESENT: Nick Canale, Jr., H. Leonard Schick, Marc Greco, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Lorrie Burrows, Kevin C. Caraccioli, Kevin LaMontagne, Morris Sorbello, L. Michael Treadwell, Camille Warner, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded:

RESOLUTION CLASSIFYING A CERTAIN PROJECT AS A TYPE I ACTION PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT AND DETERMINING THAT THE PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego 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 234 of the Laws of 1973 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, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and 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 to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to grant “financial assistance” (as defined in the Act) in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation, installation and equipping of one or more

“projects” (as defined in the Act); and

WHEREAS, Williamstown PV, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, or an entity formed or to be formed (the “**Company**”) submitted an application to the Agency on or about July 21, 2022 (the “**Application**”), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the “**Project**”) consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in all or a portion of approximately 147.50 acres of real property located at 32-46 County Route 30 (tax map no. 159.00-01-09) in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego, State of New York (the “**Land**”); (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 21.61 acre solar power generation system, including, but not limited to, solar panels, inverters, transformers, single-axis trackers, racking systems, switchboards, energy storage system, steel beams, wiring, electric poles and other electrical and mechanical components (the “**Facility**”); and (iii) the acquisition and installation in and around the Facility and/or for use in connection with the Project of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other items of tangible personal property (collectively the “**Equipment**”) (the Land, the Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Project Facility**”); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer tax, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the “**Financial Assistance**”); and (C) the lease (or sub-lease) of the Land and the Facility by the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement; the acquisition by the Agency of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 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, to aid the Agency in determining whether the Project may have a significant effect upon the environment, the Company has prepared and submitted to the Agency a Full Environmental Assessment Form (the “**EAF**”), a copy of which is on file in the office of the Agency and is readily accessible to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has examined and reviewed the EAF and related Project materials in order to classify the Project and make a determination as to the potential significance of the Project pursuant to SEQRA.

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

Section 1. Based upon an examination of the EAF prepared by the Company, the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR §617.7(c), and based further upon the Agency’s knowledge of the area surrounding the Project Facility, all the representations made by the Company in connection with the Project, and such further investigation of the Project and its environmental effects as the

Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project pursuant to SEQRA:

(a) The Project consists of the components described above in the third whereas clause of this resolution;

(b) The Project constitutes a “Type I” action (as said quoted term is defined in SEQRA);

(c) The Agency declares itself “Lead Agency” (as said quoted term is defined in SEQRA);

(d) The Agency, after making a reasonable effort to identify all potentially involved agencies, has conducted a mandated coordinated review of the Project; and

(e) The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment, and the Agency hereby issues a negative declaration for the Project 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.

Section 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.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Recuse</u>
Nick Canale, Jr.	X				
Marc Greco	X				
Tim Stahl	X				
H. Leonard Schick	X				
Gary T. Toth	X				
Barry Trimble	X				

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF OSWEGO)

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the “**Agency**”) held on August 31, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same 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.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on August 31, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell
Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT A
NEGATIVE DECLARATION

INDUCEMENT RESOLUTION

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

PRESENT: Nick Canale, Jr., H. Leonard Schick, Marc Greco, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Lorrie Burrows, Kevin C. Caraccioli, Kevin LaMontagne, Morris Sorbello, L. Michael Treadwell, Camille Warner, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE UNDERTAKING OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF A CERTAIN PROJECT, APPOINTING WILLIAMSTOWN PV, LLC (THE “COMPANY”) AS AGENT OF THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT; APPROVING CERTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND THE COMPANY

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego 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 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, 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, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and 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 to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install “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, Williamstown PV, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, or an entity formed or to be formed by it or on its behalf (the “**Company**”), submitted an application to the Agency on or about July 21, 2022 (the “**Application**”), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting the Agency consider undertaking a project (the “**Project**”) consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in all or a portion of approximately 147.50 acres of real property located at 32-46 County Route 30 (tax map no. 159.00-01-09) in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego, State of New York (the “**Land**”); (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 21.61 acre solar power generation system, including, but not limited to, solar panels, inverters, transformers, single-axis trackers, racking systems, switchboards, energy storage system, steel beams, wiring, electric poles and other electrical and mechanical components (the “**Facility**”); and (iii) the acquisition and installation in and around the Facility and/or for use in connection with the Project of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other items of tangible personal property (collectively the “**Equipment**”) (the Land, the Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Project Facility**”); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer tax, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the “**Financial Assistance**”); and (C) the lease (or sub-lease) of the Land and the Facility by the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement; the acquisition by the Agency of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the Land are the Hopkinson Living Trust, Jeffrey A. Hopkinson and Rhonda Hopkinson; and

WHEREAS, the Company will be the operator of the Project Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on July 28, 2022 describing the Project, the Financial Assistance and authorizing a public hearing (the “**Initial Resolution**”); and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing (the “**Public Hearing**”) with respect to the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance on August 12, 2022 pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, notice of which was published on July 31, 2022 in The Post Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Oswego, New York and given to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions by letter dated August 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State, as amended, and the regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as “**SEQRA**”), the Agency is required to make a determination 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) and the preliminary agreement of the Agency to undertake of the Project constitutes such an action; and

WHEREAS, on August 31, 2022, the Agency adopted a resolution determining that pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review the Project constitutes an Type 1 Action requiring no further review under SEQRA and issued a negative declaration (the “**SEQRA Resolution**”); and

WHEREAS, the Agency has considered the policy, purposes and requirements of the Act in making its determinations with respect to taking official action regarding the Project; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of exemption from State sales and use taxation as part of the Financial Assistance requested by the Company, “sales and use taxation” shall mean sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed by article twenty-eight or twenty-eight-A of the State tax law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by section eleven hundred seven or eleven hundred eight of such article twenty-eight; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that the provision of Financial Assistance: (i) will induce the Company to develop the Project Facility in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego; (ii) 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 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; and (iii) will induce the Company to undertake the Project which will serve the purposes of the Act by advancing the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State;

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

Section 1. It is the policy of the State to promote the health, 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. 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 2. Based upon the representations and projections made by the Company to the Agency and after considering those representations, the Agency hereby makes the following determinations:

- A. Ratifies the findings in its Initial Resolution and SEQRA Resolution.
- B. The Project constitutes a “project” within the meaning of the Act.
- C. The granting of the Financial Assistance will be an inducement to the Company to develop the Project in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego. The Financial Assistance consists solely of exemptions from real estate transfer taxes, real property taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use taxes.
- D. The commitment of the Agency to provide the Financial Assistance to the Company will enable the Company to acquire, construct, install, equip and complete the Project Facility.
- E. The acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility will help prevent economic deterioration and advance the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State.
- F. The acquisition of a controlling interest in the Project Facility by the Agency, the designation of the Company as the Agency’s agent for the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance will be an inducement to the Company to acquire, construct, install, equip and complete the Project Facility in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego, and will serve the purposes of the Act by, among other things, advancing the general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County of Oswego; and the granting of the Financial Assistance will assist in the financing the costs of the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility.
- G. 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.

Section 3. Subject to the terms of this Resolution, the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 of the Agreement (as defined herein), the Agency’s approval of the PILOT schedule and the execution and delivery of the Project Agreement (as herein defined), the Agency will: (i) acquire a controlling interest in the Land and Facility pursuant to a lease agreement (and/or sublease agreement (collectively, the “*Company Lease*”) to be entered into between the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) and the Agency and accept an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of

sale from the Company (the “*Bill of Sale*”); (ii) sublease the Project Facility to the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) pursuant to a sublease agreement (the “*Agency Lease*” and together with the Company Lease, the Bill of Sale, the Project Agreement and any other certificates and documents deemed necessary by the Agency to undertake the Project, collectively, the “*Lease Documents*”) to be entered into between the Agency and the Company; (iii) grant the approved Financial Assistance; provided that no default shall have occurred and be continuing under the Agreement (as hereinafter defined), the Lease Documents or any loan documents, and provided the Company has executed and delivered all documents and certificates required by the Agency in conjunction with the Agency’s undertaking of the Project, and has executed and delivered all other certificates and documents necessary or appropriate for the grant of the approved Financial Assistance requested the Company, in form and substance acceptable to the Agency, or its commercial lender(s), in connection with financing for the Project, including but not limited to, one or more mortgages in favor of the Company’s commercial lender(s).

Section 4. The terms and conditions of subdivision 3 of Section 875 of the Act are herein incorporated by reference and the Company shall agree to such terms as a condition precedent to receiving or benefiting from an exemption from State sales and use tax exemptions benefits. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the amount of State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits comprising the Financial Assistance approved herein shall not exceed **\$117,053 and shall last no longer than two years from the execution and delivery of the Lease Documents unless otherwise extended by the Agency.** The Agency may consider any request by the Company for increases to the amount of sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized by the Agency upon being provided with appropriate documentation detailing the additional purchases of property or services.

Section 5. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the amount of mortgage recording tax exemption benefit comprising the Financial Assistance approved herein shall not exceed **\$29,120.**

Section 6. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the amount of real property tax abatement benefit comprising the Financial Assistance approved herein shall be approximately **\$1,121,817**, which such amount reflects the total estimated real property tax exemptions for the Project Facility (which constitute those taxes that would have been paid if the Project Facility were on the tax rolls and not subject to that certain payment in lieu of tax agreement between the Company and the Agency (the “PILOT Agreement”) of approximately **\$1,449,831**, less the estimated payments in lieu of taxes of approximately **\$328,014** to be made by the Company to the affected tax jurisdictions with respect to the Project Facility during the term of the PILOT Agreement. The approximate amount of estimated real property tax exemptions and the approximate amount of estimated payments in lieu of taxes are estimated based on an assumed assessed value of the Project Facility and assumed future tax rates of the affected tax jurisdictions, therefore the real property tax abatement benefit is estimated because it is calculated using the estimated real property tax exemptions. The actual amount of real property tax abatement benefit is subject to change over the term of the PILOT Agreement depending on any changes to assessed value and/or tax rates of the affected tax jurisdictions. ***Exhibit “B”*** attached hereto reflects the calculation used to determine the annual amount of the payments in lieu of taxes to be made to the affected tax jurisdictions in each year during the term

of the PILOT Agreement.

Section 7. The Company may utilize, and subject to the terms of this Resolution, the Agreement and the Project Agreement, is hereby authorized to appoint, a Project operator, contractors, agents, subagents, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents (collectively, “***Additional Agents***”) to proceed with the construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf, provided the Company execute, deliver and comply with the Lease Documents. The Company shall provide, or cause its Additional Agents to provide, and the Agency shall maintain, records of the amount of State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits provided to the Project; and the Company shall, and cause each Additional Agent, to make such records available to the State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance (the “***Commissioner***”) and the Agency upon request. The Agency shall, within thirty (30) days of providing any State sales and use tax exemption benefits, report to the Commissioner the amount of such benefits for the Project, identifying the Project, along with any such other information and specificity as the Commissioner may prescribe. As a condition precedent to the Company or Project’s receipt of, or benefit from, any State or local sales and use tax exemptions, the Company must acknowledge and agree to make, or cause its Additional Agents to make, all records and information regarding State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits realized by the Project available to the Agency or its designee upon request. For purposes of exemption from State sales and use taxation as part of the Financial Assistance requested, “sales and use taxation” shall mean sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed by article twenty-eight or twenty-eight-A of the State tax law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by section eleven hundred seven or eleven hundred eight of such article twenty-eight.

Section 8. As a condition precedent to the granting of the Financial Assistance, the Company agrees to execute an agreement with the Agency setting forth the preliminary undertakings of the Agency and the Company with respect to the Project. The form and substance of the proposed agreement (as set forth as on **Exhibit “A”** attached hereto and presented at this meeting) (the “***Agreement***”) are hereby approved. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency are each hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Agreement, in substantially the same form as presented at this meeting and attached hereto as **Exhibit “A”**, with changes in terms and form as shall be consistent with this Resolution and as the Chief Executive Officer or the (Vice) Chairperson shall approve. The execution thereof by the Chief Executive Officer or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency of the Board shall constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

Section 9. As an additional condition precedent to the extension of Financial Assistance, the Company shall acknowledge and agree, that the Agency shall, and in some cases may, recapture from the Company or any Additional Agents (as defined herein) the State and local sales and use tax exemption (the “***Recapture Amount***”) taken or purported to be taken by any such person to which the person or Project is not entitled or which are in excess of the amounts authorized or which are for property or services not authorized or taken in cases where such Company or Additional Agents failed to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner required by the Company or Additional Agents agreement with, or for the benefit of, the Agency. Such Company or Additional Agent shall cooperate with

the Agency in its efforts to recover, recapture, receive, or otherwise obtain such State sales and use exemptions benefits and shall promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that it requests. The failure to pay over such amounts to the Agency shall be grounds for the Commissioner to assess and determine State sales and use taxes due from the Company and/or Additional Agents under article twenty-eight of the tax law, together with any relevant penalties and interest due on such amounts. In addition, the Agency may recapture all other Financial Assistance in the event any of the foregoing occur or there is a Deficit (as defined in the Agency's Recapture Policy).

Section 10. As another condition precedent to the extension of Financial Assistance, the Company and the Agency shall execute and deliver a project agreement (the "***Project Agreement***") setting forth certain terms and conditions relative to the approved Financial Assistance.

Section 11. Subject to the due execution and delivery by the Company of the Agreement and the Project Agreement, the satisfaction of the conditions of this Resolution, the Agreement, the Project Agreement and the payment by the Company of any attendant fees due to or incurred by the Agency, the Company is hereby appointed the true and lawful agent of the Agency to proceed with the construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf. The appointment made by this Section shall not be effective until the Agreement and the Project Agreement and an Environmental Compliance and Indemnification Agreement (as defined herein) by the Company in favor of the Agency have been duly executed and delivered by the Company.

Section 12. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board, 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 herein 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 herein 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 and the Agreement.

Section 12. The obligation of the Agency to consummate any transaction contemplated herein or hereby is subject to and conditioned upon the execution and delivery of, among other things, an environmental compliance and indemnification agreement (the "Environmental Compliance and Indemnification Agreement") in favor of the Agency in form and substance acceptable to the Agency and its counsel by the Company, and some or all of its principals, in the discretion of the Chief Executive Officer and/or (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency.

Section 13. 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 herein 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 14. Should the Agency's participation in the Project, or the appointments made in accordance herewith, be challenged by any party, in the courts or otherwise, the Company shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Agency and its members, officers and employees from any and all losses arising from any such challenge including, but not limited to, the fees and disbursement of the Agency's counsel. Should any court of competent jurisdiction determine that the Agency is not authorized under the Act to participate in the Project, this Resolution shall automatically become null, void and of no further force and effect, and the Agency shall have no liability to the Company hereunder or otherwise.

Section 15. 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.

Section 16. The Chief Executive Officer and/or (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency are each hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 17. Counsel to the Agency and special Agency counsel are hereby authorized to work with the Company, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the grant of Financial Assistance and consummate the Lease Documents.

Section 18. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Recuse</u>
Nick Canale, Jr.	X				
Marc Greco	X				
Tim Stahl	X				
H. Leonard Schick	X				
Gary T. Toth	X				
Barry Trimble	X				

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF OSWEGO)

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the “*Agency*”) held on August 31, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same 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 Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the “*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 Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on August 31, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell
Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT "A"

AGENCY/COMPANY AGREEMENT

This Agreement is between the **COUNTY OF OSWEGO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (the "**Agency**") and WILLIAMSTOWN PV, LLC, a Delaware limited liability Company (the "**Company**").

Article 1. Preliminary Statement. Among the matters of mutual inducement which have resulted in the execution of this Agreement are the following:

1.01. The Agency is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "**State**"), as amended, together with Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State of New York, as amended from time to time (collectively, the "**Act**") to grant "financial assistance" (as defined in the Act) in connection with "Projects" (as defined in the Act) and to lease or sell the same upon such terms and conditions as the Agency may deem advisable and designate an agent for constructing, installing and equipping "projects" (as defined in the Act).

1.02. The purposes of the Act are to promote, attract, encourage and develop recreation and economically sound commerce and industry in order 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 to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration. The Act vests the Agency with all powers necessary to enable it to accomplish such purposes, including the power to grant financial assistance, acquire and dispose of interests in real property and to appoint agents for the purpose of completion of projects undertaken by the Agency.

1.03. The Company submitted an application to the Agency (the "**Application**"), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "**Project**") consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in all or a portion of approximately 147.50 acres of real property located at 32-46 County Route 30 (tax map no. 159.00-01-09) in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego, State of New York (the "**Land**"); (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 21.61 acre solar power generation system, including, but not limited to, solar panels, inverters, transformers, single-axis trackers, racking systems, switchboards, energy storage system, steel beams, wiring, electric poles and other electrical and mechanical components (the "**Facility**"); and (iii) the acquisition and installation in and around the Facility and/or for use in connection with the Project of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other items of tangible personal property (collectively the "**Equipment**") (the Land, the Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "**Project Facility**"); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the "**Financial Assistance**"); and (C) the lease (or sub-lease) of the Land and the Facility by the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement; the acquisition by the Agency of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill

of sale from the Company; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) pursuant to a sublease agreement.

1.03(a). All documents necessary to effectuate the Agency's undertaking of the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance between the Agency and the Company, including but not limited to, a company lease, a bill of sale, an agency lease, a project agreement, an environmental compliance and indemnification agreement and a payment in lieu of tax agreement, shall be collectively referred to herein as the "***Lease Documents***".

1.04. The Company hereby represents to the Agency that undertaking the Project, the designation of the Company as the Agency's agent for the construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility, and the appointment by the Company of a Project operator, contractors, agents, subagents, subcontractors, contractors and subcontractors of such agents and subagents (collectively, "***Additional Agents***"): (i) will be an inducement to it to construct, install, equip and complete the Project Facility in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego (the "***County***"); and (ii) will not result in the removal of a commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or of any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State to another or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company or of any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility located in the State, except as may be permitted by the Act.

1.05. The Agency has determined that the acquisition or continuation of a controlling interest in, and the construction, installation and equipping of the Project Facility and the subleasing of the same to the Company will promote and further the purposes of the Act.

1.06 On August 31, 2022, the Agency adopted a resolution (the "***Inducement Resolution***") agreeing, subject to the satisfaction of all conditions precedent set forth in such Resolution, to designate the Company as the Agency's agent for the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility and determining that the leasing of the same to the Company will promote further purposes of the Act. For purposes of that designation, the Agency authorized as part of the approved Financial Assistance, State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits in an amount not to exceed **\$117,053**, a mortgage recording tax exemption in an amount not to exceed **\$29,120**, and the amount of real property tax abatement benefits in an approximate amount of **\$1,121,817** which such amount reflects the total estimated real property tax exemptions for the Project Facility (which constitute those taxes that would have been paid if the Project Facility were on the tax rolls and not subject to that certain payment in lieu of tax agreement between the Company and the Agency (the "***PILOT Agreement***") of approximately **\$1,449,831**, less the estimated payments in lieu of taxes of approximately **\$328,014** to be made by the Company to the affected tax jurisdictions with respect to the Project Facility during the term of the ***PILOT Agreement***.

1.07 In the Resolution, subject to the execution of, and compliance with, this Agreement by the Company, and other conditions set forth in the Resolution and herein, the Agency appointed the Company as its agent for the purposes of acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility, entering into contracts and doing all things requisite and proper for the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility.

Article 2. Undertakings on the Part of the Agency. Based upon the statements, representations and undertakings of the Company and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Agency agrees as follows:

2.01. The Agency confirms that it has authorized and designated the Company as the Agency's agent for acquiring, constructing, installing, equipping and completing the Project Facility.

2.02. The Agency has adopted such proceedings and authorized the execution of such Agency documents as may be necessary or advisable for: (i) acquisition of a controlling interest in the Project Facility; (ii) appointment by the Company of Additional Agents, all for the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility subject to the terms of the Inducement Resolution and hereof; and (iii) the leasing or subleasing of the Project Facility to the Company, all as shall be authorized by law and be mutually satisfactory to the Agency and the Company.

2.03. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall require the Agency to apply its funds to Project costs.

2.04. After satisfying the conditions precedent set forth in the Inducement Resolution, and in Article 3 and Section 4.02 hereof, the Company may proceed with the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility and the utilization of and, as necessary, the appointment of Additional Agents.

2.05 Subject to Section 4.02 hereof, the Company is appointed the true and lawful agent of the Agency for the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility, and to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver any contracts, orders, receipts, writings and instructions, as the stated agent for the Agency, and in general to do all things which may be requisite or proper for the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility, all with the same powers and the same validity as if the Agency were acting in its own behalf.

2.06. The Agency will take or cause to be taken such other acts and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement the aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof. The Agency may in accordance with 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**"), undertake supplemental review of the Project. Such review to be limited to specific significant adverse environmental impacts not addressed or inadequately addressed in the Agency's review under SEQRA that arise from changes in the proposed Project, newly discovered information or a change in the circumstances related to the Project.

Article 3. Undertakings on the Part of the Company. Based upon the statements, representations and undertakings of the Agency and subject to the conditions set forth herein, the Company agrees as follows:

3.01. (a) The Company shall indemnify and hold the Agency harmless from all losses, expenses, claims, damages and liabilities arising out of or based on labor, services, materials and supplies, including equipment, ordered or used in connection with the acquisition of a controlling interest in, constructing, installing, equipping and completion of the Project Facility (including any expenses incurred by the Agency in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of any of the foregoing) whether such claims or liabilities arise as a result of the Company or Additional Agents acting as agent for the Agency pursuant to this Agreement or otherwise.

(b) The Company shall not permit to stand, and will, at its own expense, take all steps reasonably necessary to remove, any mechanics' or other liens against the Project Facility for labor or material furnished in connection with the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility.

(c) The Company shall indemnify and hold the Agency, its members, officers, employees and agents and anyone for whose acts or omissions the Agency or any one of them may be liable, harmless from all claims and liabilities for loss or damage to property or any injury to or death of any person that may be occasioned subsequent to the date hereof by any cause whatsoever in relation to the Project, including any expenses incurred by the Agency in defending any claims, suits or actions which may arise as a result of the foregoing.

(d) The Company shall defend, indemnify and hold the Agency harmless from all losses, expenses, claims, damages and liabilities arising out of or based on the non-disclosure of information, if any, requested by the Company in accordance with Section 4.05 hereof.

(e) The defense and indemnities provided for in this Article 3 shall survive expiration or termination of this Agreement and shall apply whether or not the claim, liability, cause of action or expense is caused or alleged to be caused, in whole or in part, by the activities, acts, fault or negligence of the Agency, its members, officers, employees and agents, anyone under the direction and control of any of them, or anyone for whose acts or omissions the Agency or any of them may be liable, and whether or not based upon the breach of a statutory duty or obligation or any theory or rule of comparative or apportioned liability, subject only to any specific prohibition relating to the scope of indemnities imposed by statutory law.

(f) The Company shall provide and carry: (i) worker's compensation and disability insurance as required by law; and (ii) comprehensive liability and property insurance with such coverages (including without limitation, owner's protective coverage for the benefit of the Agency, naming the Agency as an additional insured on all policies of coverage regarding the Project; providing the coverage with respect to the Agency be primary and non-contributory; and contractual coverage covering the indemnities herein provided for), with such limits and which such companies as may be approved by the Agency. The Company shall provide certificates and/or policies of insurance in form satisfactory to the Agency evidencing such insurance.

(g) The Company shall include the Agency as a named insured under all public liability insurance policies obtained by the Company with respect to the Project Facility.

(h) The Company shall apply and diligently pursue all approvals, permits and

consents from the State of New York, the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego and any other governmental authority which approvals, permits and consents are required under applicable law for the development, construction and equipping of the Project and any related site improvements. The Company acknowledges and agrees that the Agency's findings and determinations under SEQRA do not and shall not in and of themselves (except as specifically set forth in SEQRA) satisfy or be deemed to satisfy applicable laws, regulations, rules and procedural requirements applicable to such approvals, permits and consents.

3.02. The Company agrees that, as agent for the Agency or otherwise, it will comply with the Company's sole cost and expense with all the requirements of all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations of whatever kind and howsoever denominated applicable to the Agency and/or Company with respect to the Project Facility, the acquisition of a controlling interest therein, construction, installation, equipping and completion thereof, the operation and maintenance of the Project Facility, supplemental review of adverse environmental impacts in accordance with SEQRA and the financing of the Project. Every provision required by law to be inserted herein shall be deemed to be set forth herein as if set forth in full, including, but not limited to, Section 875 of the Act; and upon the request of either party, this Agreement shall be amended to specifically set forth any such provision or provisions.

3.03. (a) The Company agrees that, as agent for the Agency, to the extent that such provisions of law are in fact applicable (without creating an obligation by contract beyond that which is created by statute), it will comply with all the requirements Section 220 of the Labor Law of the State of New York, as amended.

(b) The Company agrees that, whenever practicable, the Company shall hire employees and Additional Agents from the Agency's Labor Market Area which is defined to include the following counties: Oswego, Jefferson, Onondaga, Madison, Oneida and Cayuga.

3.04. The Company will take such further action and adopt such further proceedings as may be required to implement the aforesaid undertakings or as it may deem appropriate in pursuance thereof.

3.05. If it should be determined that any State or local sales or compensatory use taxes are payable with respect to the acquisition, purchase or rental of machinery or equipment, materials or supplies in connection with the Project Facility, or are in any manner otherwise payable directly or indirectly in connection with the Project Facility, the Company shall pay the same and defend and indemnify the Agency from and against any liability, expenses and penalties arising out of, directly or indirectly, the imposition of any such taxes.

3.06. The Company shall proceed with the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility and advance such funds as may be necessary to accomplish such purposes. The Company may utilize, and is authorized to appoint, Additional Agents as agents of the Agency, in furtherance thereof. Any appointment of an Additional Agent is conditioned upon the Company first obtaining and providing the Agency the following:

(1) A written, executed agreement, in form and substance acceptable to the Agency, from each appointed Additional Agent which provides for: (i) the assumption by the

Additional Agent, for itself, certain of the obligations under this Agreement relative to the appointment, work and purchases done and made by each appointed Additional Agent; (ii) an acknowledgement by the Additional Agent to hire from the Labor Market Area during the construction period of the Project Facility whenever practicable; (iii) an acknowledgement that the Additional Agent is obligated, to timely provide the Company with the necessary information to permit the Company, pursuant to General Municipal Law §874(8), to timely file an Annual Statement with the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance on “Annual Report of Sales and Use Tax Exemptions” (Form ST-340) regarding the value of sales and use tax exemptions the Additional Agent claimed pursuant to the agency conferred on it by the Company with respect to this Project; (iv) an acknowledgment by the Additional Agent that in order to be entitled to the exemption, the Additional Agent shall present to the supplier or other vendor of materials or equipment for the Project Facility a completed “IDA Agent or Project Operator Exempt Purchase Certificate” (Form ST-123); (v) an acknowledgment by the Additional Agent that that the failure to comply with the foregoing will result in the loss and recapture of the exemption; and (vi) such other terms and conditions as the Agency deems necessary; and

(2) A completed “IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agent for Sales Tax Purposes” (Form ST-60) for each Additional Agent appointed within fifteen (15) days of the appointment of each Additional Agent such that the Agency can execute and deliver said form to the State Department of Taxation and Finance within thirty (30) days of appointment of each such Additional Agent.

Failure of the Company to comply with the foregoing shall nullify the appointment of any Additional Agent and may result in the loss and recapture of the Company’s exemption with respect to the Project at the sole discretion of the Agency.

The Company acknowledges that the assumption by the Additional Agent in accordance with Section 3.06(1) above, does not relieve the Company of its obligations under those provisions or any other provisions of this Agreement with respect to the Project.

3.07. The Company hereby ratifies and confirms its obligation to pay an administrative fee to the Agency in the amount of .75% of the Project costs. Such amount is due and payable in full at closing.

3.08 The Company hereby ratifies and confirms its obligation to pay an annual administrative reporting fee of \$500.00 to cover administrative and reporting requirements to comply with New York State reporting regulations on Agency assisted projects.

Article 4. General Provisions.

4.01. This Agreement shall take effect on the date of the execution hereof by the Agency and the Company and, subject to Section 4.04 hereof, shall remain in effect until the Lease Documents become effective. It is the intent of the Agency and the Company that, except as to those provisions that survive, this Agreement be superseded in its entirety by the Lease Documents.

4.02. (a) It is understood and agreed by the Agency and the Company that the grant of Financial Assistance and the execution of the Lease Documents and related documents are subject to: (i) payment by the Company of the Agency's fee and Agency's counsel and special counsel fees; (ii) obtaining all necessary governmental approvals, permits and consents of any kind required in connection with the Project Facility; (iii) approval by the members of the Agency; (iv) approval by the Company; and (v) the condition that there are no changes in New York State Law, including regulations, which prohibit or limit the Agency from fulfilling its obligations hereunder; (b) the Company, by executing this Agreement, acknowledges and agrees to make, or cause its Additional Agents whether appointed as an agent of the Agency in accordance with Section 3.06 hereof or not, to make, all records and information regarding State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits given to the Project as part of the Financial Assistance available to the Agency upon request, including but not limited to the Form ST-340 for itself and each Additional Agent; (c) the Company, by executing this Agreement, acknowledges and agrees to the terms and conditions of Section 875(3) of the Act as if such section were fully set forth herein and further agrees to cause all of its Additional Agents to acknowledge, agree and consent to same.

Without limiting the scope of the foregoing the Company acknowledges that pursuant to Section 875(3) of the Act and in accordance with the Agency's Recapture Policy (*which is published on the Agency's website or available at the Agency's office*), the Company is subject to recapture of all State sales and use tax exemption benefits (the "**Recapture Amount**") if:

- (1) the Company or its Additional Agents, if any, authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project are not entitled to the State sales and use tax exemption benefits; or
- (2) the State sales and use tax exemption benefits are in excess of the amounts authorized by the Agency to be taken by the Company or its subagents, if any; or
- (3) the State sales and use tax exemption benefits are for property or services not authorized by the Agency as part of the Project; or
- (4) the Project has failed to comply with a material term or condition to use the property or services in the manner required by any project documents between the Company and the Agency.

The failure of the Company to promptly pay such Recapture Amount to the Agency will be grounds for the Commissioner to collect sales and use taxes from the Company under Article 28 of the State Tax Law, together with interest and penalties.

In addition, and in accordance with the Agency's Recapture Policy, the Agency may recapture all other Financial Assistance in the event any of the foregoing occur or there is a Deficit (as defined in the Agency's Recapture Policy). For purposes of the foregoing, the Company acknowledges and agrees that for purposes of exemption from State sales and use taxation as part of the Financial Assistance requested, "sales and use taxation" shall mean sales and compensating use taxes and fees imposed by article twenty-eight or twenty-eight-A of the

New York State tax law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by section eleven hundred seven or eleven hundred eight of such article twenty-eight.

4.03. The Company agrees that it will, within thirty (30) days of a written request for same, regardless of whether or not this matter closes or the Project Facility is completed: (i) reimburse the Agency for all reasonable and necessary expenses, including without limitation the fees and expenses of counsel to the Agency arising from, out of or in connection with the Project, and/or any documents executed in connection therewith, including, but not limited to any claims or actions taken by the Agency against the Company, Additional Agents or third parties; and (ii) indemnify the Agency from all losses, claims, damages and liabilities, in each case which the Agency may incur as a consequence of executing this Agreement or performing its obligations hereunder, including but not limited to, any obligations related to Additional Agents.

4.04. If for any reason the Lease Documents are not executed and delivered by the Company and the Agency on or before eighteen (18) months from the execution hereof, the provisions of this Agreement (other than the provisions of Articles 1.04, 2.02, 2.04, 3.01, 3.02, 3.03, 3.05, 3.06, 4.02, 4.03, 4.04, 4.05 and 4.06, which shall survive) shall unless extended by agreement of the Agency and the Company, terminate and be of no further force or effect, and following such termination neither party shall have any rights against the other party except:

(a) The Company shall pay the Agency for all expenses incurred by the Agency in connection with the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility;

(b) The Company shall assume and be responsible for any contracts for construction or purchase of equipment entered into by the Agency at the request of or as agent for the Company in connection with the Project Facility; and

(c) The Company will pay the out-of-pocket expenses of members of the Agency, counsel for the Agency and special Agency counsel incurred in connection with the Project and will pay the fees of counsel for the Agency and special Agency counsel for legal services relating to the Project Facility, Additional Agents or the proposed financing thereof.

4.05. The Company acknowledges that Section 875(7) of the New York General Municipal Law (“GML”) requires the Agency to post on its website all resolutions and agreements relating to the Company’s appointment as an agent of the Agency or otherwise related to the Project, including this Agreement; and Article 6 of the New York Public Officers Law declares that all records in the possession of the Agency (with certain limited exceptions) are open to public inspection and copying. If the Company feels that there are elements of the Project or information about the Company in the Agency’s possession which are in the nature of trade secrets or information, the nature of which is such that if disclosed to the public or otherwise widely disseminated would cause substantial injury to the Company’s competitive position, the Company must identify such elements in writing, supply same to the Agency: (i) with respect to this Agreement, prior to or contemporaneously with the execution hereof; and (ii) with respect to all other agreements executed in connection with the Project, on or before the Closing Date, and request that such elements be kept confidential in accordance with Article 6 of

the Public Officers Law. Failure to do so will result in the posting by the Agency of all information in accordance with Section 875 of the GML.

4.06 That every controversy, dispute or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, without regard to its conflict-of-laws provisions that if applied might require the application of the laws of another jurisdiction; and that the Company irrevocably and expressly submits to the exclusive personal jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of New York and the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York, to the exclusion of all other courts, for the purposes of litigating every controversy, dispute or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have entered in this Agreement as of _____, 2022.

**COUNTY OF OSWEGO INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

By: _____
L. Michael Treadwell
Chief Executive Officer

WILLIAMSTOWN PV, LLC

By: _____
Name:
Title:

EXHIBIT “B”
PILOT SCHEDULE

- Term: 20 years
- Annual payments: \$5,000 per AC MW, (\$13,500 in year 1) 2% escalator, compounded annually
- Distribution of annual PILOT Payments will be based on the pro-rata share of each of the affected taxing jurisdictions for each respective year.
- Exemption: The above formula will apply only to acreage included in the Project; which shall be classified as Wholly Exempt under RPTL 412-a; the remaining portion of the tax parcel (if any) and unrelated improvements will be classified as Taxable.
- Decommissioning: Prior to execution and delivery of the PILOT Agreement, the Company must provide a decommissioning plan reasonably acceptable to the Agency and the host municipality, and provide the Agency with proof of a bond or other surety in the amount equal to the cost of the decommissioning.

PILOT RESOLUTION

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on August 31, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. local time, at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego New York.

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

PRESENT: Nick Canale, Jr., H. Leonard Schick, Marc Greco, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Lorrie Burrows, Kevin C. Caraccioli, Kevin LaMontagne, Morris Sorbello, L. Michael Treadwell, Camille Warner, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded:

RESOLUTION APPROVING A PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAX SCHEDULE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROJECT UNDERTAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF THE COMPANY

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego 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 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, 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, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and 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 to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install “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, Williamstown PV, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, or an entity formed or to be formed (the “Company”) submitted an application to the Agency requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the “Project”) consisting of: (A) the acquisition of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in all or a portion of approximately 147.50 acres of real property located at 32-46 County Route 30 (tax map no. 159.00-01-09) in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego, State of New York (the “*Land*”); (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 21.61 acre solar power generation system, including, but not limited to, solar panels, inverters, transformers, single-axis trackers, racking systems, switchboards, energy storage system, steel beams, wiring, electric poles and other electrical and mechanical components (the “*Facility*”); and (iii) the acquisition and installation in and around the Facility and/or for use in connection with the Project of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other items of tangible personal property (collectively the “*Equipment*”) (the Land, the Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “*Project Facility*”); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer tax, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the “*Financial Assistance*”); and (C) the lease (or sub-lease) of the Land and the Facility by the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement; the acquisition by the Agency of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

WHEREAS, the owners of the Land are the Hopkinson Living Trust, Jeffrey A. Hopkinson and Rhonda Hopkinson; and

WHEREAS, the Company will be the operator of the Project Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on July 28, 2022 describing the Project, the Financial Assistance and authorizing a public hearing (the “*Initial Resolution*”); and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing (the “*Public Hearing*”) with respect to the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance on August 12, 2022 pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, notice of which was published on July 31, 2022 in The Post Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Oswego, New York and given to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions by letter dated August 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State, as amended, and the regulations of the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State promulgated thereunder (collectively referred to hereinafter as “*SEQRA*”), the Agency is required to make a determination 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) and the preliminary agreement of the Agency to undertake of the Project constitutes such an action; and

WHEREAS, on August 31, 2022, the Agency adopted a resolution determining that pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review that the Project constitutes an Type 1 Action requiring no further review under SEQRA and issued a negative declaration (the “**SEQRA Resolution**”); and

WHEREAS, on August 31, 2022 the Agency adopted a Resolution (the “**Inducement Resolution**”) agreeing to undertake the Project and appointing the Company as its agent for purposes of completing the Project Facility; and

WHEREAS, in the Application, the Company also requested that the Agency consider a payment in lieu of taxes agreement (the “**PILOT Agreement**”) with respect to the Project Facility, pursuant to a payment in lieu of tax schedule (the “**PILOT Schedule**”), more fully described on **Exhibit “A”** attached hereto; and such schedule constitutes a deviation from the Agency’s Uniform Tax Exemption Policy (“**UTEP**”) established pursuant to Section 874(4) of the Act, but comports with other payment in lieu of taxes schedules relative to other similar projects; and

WHEREAS, by letters dated August 1, 2022, the Agency gave to the chief executive officers of the affected taxing jurisdictions notice pursuant to Section 874 of the Act of this meeting, at which the Agency would consider the Company’s request for a PILOT schedule which deviates from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, prior to the date hereof, the Agency responded to all communications and correspondence received from the affected taxing jurisdictions regarding the proposed deviation from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, no representatives from the affected tax jurisdictions were present at this meeting to address the Agency regarding such proposed deviation from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to the representations by the Company that the provision of Financial Assistance: (i) will induce the Company to develop the Project Facility in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego; (ii) 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 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; and (iii) the Project will serve the purposes of the Act by advancing the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State.

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

Section 1. It is the policy of the State to promote the health, 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. 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 2. The Agency ratifies all prior resolutions adopted in connection with the proposed Project (collectively, the “Resolutions”).

Section 3. Based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency, and the reasons presented by the Company in support of its request for the PILOT Schedule, as set forth in the **Exhibit “A”** attached hereto, the PILOT Schedule is hereby approved subject to the terms and conditions of the Resolutions. The Chief Executive Officer and the (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency are each hereby authorized to execute and deliver a PILOT Agreement and any related documents reflecting the PILOT Schedule in a form substantially similar to PILOT agreements used in similar transactions with the Agency which is acceptable to the Chief Executive Officer or the (Vice) Chairperson upon advice of counsel.

Section 4. 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 herein 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 5. 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.

Section 6. The Chief Executive Officer and/or (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution as well as all previously approved Resolutions.

Section 7. Counsel to the Agency and special Agency counsel are hereby authorized to work with the Company, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the grant of Financial Assistance, including, but not limited to, a PILOT Agreement.

Section 8. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Recuse</u>
Nick Canale, Jr.	X				
Marc Greco	X				
Tim Stahl	X				
H. Leonard Schick	X				
Gary T. Toth	X				
Barry Trimble	X				

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF OSWEGO)

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the “**Agency**”) held on August 31, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same 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 Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the “**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 Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on August 31, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell
Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT "A"

PILOT SCHEDULE

- Term: 20 years
- Annual payments: \$5,000 per AC MW, (\$13,500 in year 1); 2% escalator, compounded annually
- Distribution of annual PILOT Payments will be based on the pro-rata share of each of the affected taxing jurisdictions for each respective year.
- Exemption: The above formula will apply only to acreage included in the Project; which shall be classified as Wholly Exempt under RPTL 412-a; the remaining portion of the tax parcel (if any) and unrelated improvements will be classified as Taxable.
- Decommissioning: Prior to execution and delivery of the PILOT Agreement, the Company must provide a decommissioning plan reasonably acceptable to the Agency and the host municipality, and provide the Agency with proof of a bond or other surety in the amount equal to the cost of the decommissioning.

FINAL APPROVING RESOLUTION

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on August 31, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. local time, at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego New York.

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

PRESENT: Nick Canale, Jr., H. Leonard Schick, Marc Greco, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Lorrie Burrows, Kevin C. Caraccioli, Kevin LaMontagne, Morris Sorbello, L. Michael Treadwell, Camille Warner, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded:

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

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego 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 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, 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, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and 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 to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install “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, Williamstown PV, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, or an entity to be formed (the “**Company**”), submitted an application to the Agency on or about July 21, 2022 (the “**Application**”), a copy of which is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting the Agency undertake a project (the “**Project**”) consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in all or a portion of approximately 147.50 acres of real property located at 32-46 County Route 30 (tax map no. 159.00-01-09) in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego, State of New York (the “**Land**”); (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 21.61 acre solar power generation system, including, but not limited to, solar panels, inverters, transformers, single-axis trackers, racking systems, switchboards, energy storage system, steel beams, wiring, electric poles and other electrical and mechanical components (the “**Facility**”); and (iii) the acquisition and installation in and around the Facility and/or for use in connection with the Project of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other items of tangible personal property (collectively the “**Equipment**”) (the Land, the Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Project Facility**”); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer tax, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the “**Financial Assistance**”); (C) the lease (or sub-lease) of the Land and the Facility by the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement; the acquisition by the Agency of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

WHEREAS, the owners of the Land are the Hopkinson Living Trust, Jeffrey A. Hopkinson and Rhonda Hopkinson; and

WHEREAS, the Company will be the operator of the Project Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Agency conducted a public hearing (the “**Public Hearing**”) with respect to the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance on August 12, 2022 pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, notice of which was published on July 31, 2022 in The Post Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Oswego, New York and given to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions by letter dated August 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Company also requested that the Agency consider a payment in lieu of tax (“**PILOT**”) schedule, and such schedule constitutes a deviation from the Agency’s Uniform Tax Exemption Policy (“**UTEP**”) established pursuant to Section 874(4) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, by letters dated August 1, 2022, the Agency gave to the chief executive officers of the affected tax jurisdictions notice pursuant to Section 874 of the Act of this meeting, at which the Agency would consider the Company’s request for a PILOT schedule which deviates from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, prior to the date hereof, the Agency responded to all communications and correspondence received from the affected taxing jurisdictions regarding the proposed deviation from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, no representatives from the affected taxing jurisdictions were present at this meeting to address the Agency regarding such proposed deviation from the UTEP; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on July 28, 2022 (the “*Initial Resolution*”) entitled:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF A CERTAIN FACILITY AT THE REQUEST OF WILLIAMSTOWN PV, LLC CONSTITUTES A PROJECT, DESCRIBING THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING

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

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on August 31, 2022 (the “*SEQRA Resolution*”) entitled:

RESOLUTION CLASSIFYING A CERTAIN PROJECT AS A TYPE I ACTION PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT AND DETERMINING THAT THE PROJECT 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 August 31, 2022 (the “*Inducement Resolution*”) entitled:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE UNDERTAKING OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF A CERTAIN PROJECT, APPOINTING WILLIAMSTOWN PV, LLC (THE “COMPANY”) AS AGENT OF THE AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, EQUIPPING AND COMPLETION OF THE PROJECT; APPROVING CERTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE; 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, for purposes of exemption from New York State sales and use taxation as part of the Financial Assistance requested, “sales and use taxation” shall mean sales and

compensating use taxes and fees imposed by article twenty-eight or twenty-eight-A of the New York State tax law but excluding such taxes imposed in a city by section eleven hundred seven or eleven hundred eight of such article twenty-eight; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to representations by the Company that the provision of Financial Assistance: (i) will induce the Company to develop the Project Facility in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego; (ii) 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 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; and (iii) will induce the Company to undertake the Project which will serve the purposes of the Act by advancing the health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Agency adopted a resolution on August 31, 2022 (the “**PILOT Resolution**”) entitled:

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A PAYMENT IN LIEU OF
TAX SCHEDULE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION
AND DELIVERY OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS BY THE
AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROJECT
UNDERTAKEN AT THE REQUEST OF THE COMPANY**

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

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

Section 1. It is the policy of the State to promote the health, 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. 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 2. Based upon the representations and projections made by the Company to the Agency and after considering those representations, the Agency hereby makes the following determinations:

- a) Ratifies the findings in its Initial, SEQRA, Inducement and PILOT Resolutions.
- b) The granting of the Financial Assistance will be an inducement to the Company to develop the Project in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego; and will

assist the Company in the construction, installation and equipping of the Project Facility.

- c) The commitment of the Agency to provide the Financial Assistance to the Company will enable the Company to acquire, construct, install, equip and complete the Project Facility.
- d) The acquisition of a controlling interest in the Project Facility by the Agency and the designation of the Company as the Agency's agent for the acquisition, construction, installing, equipping and completion of the Project will be an inducement to the Company to acquire, construct, improve, install, equip and complete the Project Facility in the Town of Williamstown, County of Oswego, and will serve the purposes of the Act by, among other things, advancing the general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County of Oswego; and the granting of the Financial Assistance will assist in the financing the costs of the acquisition, construction, installation, equipping and completion of the Project Facility.
- e) The Project will not result in the removal of any commercial, industrial or manufacturing plant or facility of the Company or of any other proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State to another area of the State or 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.

Section 3. Subject to the conditions set forth in Section 4.02 of the Agreement, the Project Agreement (as those terms are defined in the Inducement Resolution), this Resolution, the Inducement Resolution, the SEQRA Resolution and the PILOT Resolution (collectively the "**Resolutions**"), the Agency will: (A) acquire a controlling interest in the Project Facility; (B) lease the Land and Facility from the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) pursuant to a lease agreement between the Agency and the Company (and/or the owner of the Land) (the "**Company Lease**") and acquire an interest in the Equipment pursuant to one or more bills of sale from the Company (collectively, the "**Bill of Sale**"); sublease the Project Facility to the Company, pursuant to a sublease agreement which shall be consistent with this Resolution and approved by the Chief Executive Officer, Chairperson or (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency upon the advice of counsel to the Agency (the "**Agency Lease**", and together with the Company Lease, the Bill of Sale, the Agency Lease and the Project Agreement, the "**Lease Documents**"); C) execute and deliver a payment in lieu of tax agreement ("**PILOT Agreement**") providing for the payment schedule approved by the Agency pursuant to the PILOT Resolution; (D) 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 lender(s), in such form and substance as shall be consistent with this Resolution and approved by the Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board upon the advice of counsel to the Agency and pledging and assigning to such lender(s), if any, certain rights and remedies of the Agency under any lease agreement by the execution and delivery of a pledge and assignment which shall be consistent with this Resolution and approved by the Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board upon the advice of counsel to the Agency (collectively, the "**Lender Documents**"); and (E) execute and

deliver any other documents necessary to effectuate the intent of the Resolutions and the granting of the Financial Assistance as contemplated by and consistent with this Resolution upon the advice of counsel to the Agency.

Section 4. The Chief Executive Officer and the (Vice) Chairperson are each hereby authorized and directed, for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Lease Documents, the Lender Documents and any other documents and agreements identified herein 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 herein 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 the Resolutions. The execution thereof by the Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson shall constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

Section 5. No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this Resolution or any 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. 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 6. 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.

Section 7. The Chief Executive Officer and/or (Vice) Chairperson of the Board are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company 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. Counsel to the Agency and special Agency counsel are hereby authorized to work with the Company, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the grant of Financial Assistance and to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Recuse</u>
Nick Canale, Jr.	X				
Marc Greco	X				
Tim Stahl	X				
H. Leonard Schick	X				
Gary T. Toth	X				
Barry Trimble	X				

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF OSWEGO)

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the “*Agency*”) held on August 31, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same 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 Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the “*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 Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on August 31, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell
Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

INITIAL RESOLUTION

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on August 31, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego, New York.

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

PRESENT: Nick Canale, Jr., H. Leonard Schick, Marc Greco, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Lorrie Burrows, Kevin C. Caraccioli, Kevin LaMontagne, Morris Sorbello, L. Michael Treadwell, Camille Warner, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION AND EQUIPPING OF A COMMERCIAL FACILITY AT THE REQUEST OF THE NOVELIS CORPORATION CONSTITUTES A PROJECT, DESCRIBING THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego 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 234 of the Laws of 1973 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, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and 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 to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered

under the Act to grant “financial assistance” (as defined in the Act) in connection with the acquisition, reconstruction and equipping of one or more “projects” (as defined in the Act); and

WHEREAS, Novelis Corporation, a business corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas and authorized to do business in the State of New York (the “*Company*”), submitted an application to the Agency on or about June 18, 2021, and an amendment thereto on July 27, 2022 (collectively, “*Application*”), copies of which are on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the “*Project*”) consisting of: (A) (i) the acquisition or continuation of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in all or a portion of approximately 506 acres of improved real property, being part of various parcels of certain real property located at 448 County Route 1A in the Town of Scriba, New York, Oswego County (the “*Land*”); (ii) the renovation and reconstruction of, and construction of an approximately 46,000 square foot addition to, an existing building known as the Future Cold Mill (the “*Existing Building*”) located on the Land; (iii) the construction of two new buildings consisting of (a) an approximately 15,700 square foot building to be known as the Hot Mill Coolant House and (b) an approximately 10,000 square foot building to be known as the West Locker Building, both located on the Land (collectively, the “*New Facility*” and, together with the Existing Building as renovated, reconstructed and expanded, the “*Facility*”); (v) upgrades to existing facilities and associated infrastructure throughout the Land; and (vi) the acquisition of and installation in the Facility of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other tangible personal property (the “*Equipment*”) (the Land, Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “*Project Facility*”); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the “*Financial Assistance*”); (C) the appointment of the Company and/or its designee as an agent of the Agency in connection with the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease (or sub-lease) of the Land and the Facility by the Company to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement, the acquisition of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale; 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

WHEREAS, the Agency has not approved undertaking the Project or the granting of the Financial Assistance; and

WHEREAS, the Company has requested that the Agency enter into a payment in lieu of tax agreement (the “Proposed PILOT Agreement”) with respect to the Project Facility; and

WHEREAS, the grant of Financial Assistance to the Project is subject to the Agency finding, after a public hearing pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, that the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by promoting 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 or increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Members of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency as follows:

Section 1. Based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency, the Agency hereby makes the following findings and determinations:

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

(b) The Financial Assistance contemplated with respect to the Project consists of exemptions from real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use taxes.

Section 2. The Agency hereby directs that, pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, a public hearing with respect to the Project and Financial Assistance shall be scheduled with notice thereof published, and such notice shall further be sent to affected tax jurisdictions within which the Project is located.

Section 3. If the terms of the Proposed PILOT Agreement deviate from the standard terms of a payment in lieu of tax agreement under the Agency’s Uniform Tax Exemption Policy (the “*UTE*P”), the Agency hereby further authorizes the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency to (A) establish a time, date and place for a meeting of the Agency to consider the approval by the members of the Agency of the Proposed PILOT Agreement; and (B) cause notice of said meeting to be given to the chief executive officer of the county and each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is or is to be located, such notice or notices to comply with the requirements of Section 874 of the Act.

Section 4. 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.

Section 5. The Chief Executive Officer of the Agency is hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Recuse</u>
Nick Canale, Jr.	X				
Marc Greco	X				
Tim Stahl	X				
H. Leonard Schick	X				
Gary T. Toth	X				
Barry Trimble	X				

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF OSWEGO)

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the “**Agency**”) held on August 31, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same 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 Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the “**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 Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on August 31, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell,
Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO A REFINANCE

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on August 31, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego, New York.

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

PRESENT: Nick Canale, Jr., H. Leonard Schick, Marc Greco, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Lorrie Burrows, Kevin C. Caraccioli, Kevin LaMontagne, Morris Sorbello, L. Michael Treadwell, Camille Warner, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded:

RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE REFINANCING IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROJECT FOR WHITEWATER COMMONS, INC. AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego 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 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, 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, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and 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 to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to grant “financial assistance” (as defined in the Act) in connection with the acquisition, reconstruction and equipping of one or more “projects” (as defined in the Act); and

WHEREAS, by resolution duly adopted on May 17, 2012, the Agency approved a project (the “**Project**”) on behalf of Whitewater Commons, Inc., a New York limited liability company (the “**Company**”), consisting of: (A (i) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in approximately 2.19 acres of real property improved by two buildings commonly known as the Whitewater Building and the Berkley Building, all located at 7 Bridie Square, Oswego, Oswego County, New York (the “**Land**”); (ii) the construction of an approximately 6,270 square foot addition to the Whitewater Building for use as five (5) apartment units and the construction of a 6,264 square foot addition to the Berkley Building for use as three (3) apartment units and office space, each located on the Land (collectively, the “**Facilities**”); and (iii) the acquisition of and installation in the Facilities of various machinery, equipment and furnishings (collectively the “**Equipment**”) (the Land, Facilities and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Project Facility**”); (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property tax, mortgage recording tax, sales and use taxation and a loan from the Agency’s Economic Development Fund in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 (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 and equipping of the Project Facility; and (D) the lease of the Project Facility by the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

WHEREAS, in order to consummate the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance, the Agency entered into the following documents (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Agency Documents**”): (A) a first amended and restated company lease agreement (and a memorandum thereof) dated as of August 1, 2012 (the “**A&R Company Lease**”) by and between the Company and the Agency, pursuant to which, among other things, the Agency acquired a leasehold interest in the Land and the improvements now or hereafter located on the Land from the Company; (B) a first amended and restated agency lease agreement (and a memorandum thereof) dated as of August 1, 2012 (the “**A&R Agency Lease**”) by and between the Agency and the Company, pursuant to which, among other things, the Company agreed to undertake and complete the Project as agent of the Agency and the Company further agreed to lease the Project Facility from the Agency and, as rental thereunder, to pay the Agency’s administrative fee relating to the Project and to pay all expenses incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project; (C) a payment in lieu of tax agreement dated as of August 1, 2012 (the “**PILOT Agreement**”) by and between the Agency and the Company pursuant to which the Company agreed to pay certain payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Project Facility; and (D) various certificates relating to the Project; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the undertaking of the Project, the Company and the Agency entered into two (2) mortgages securing certain Company financing, including construction financing in favor of Pathfinder Bank (the “**Lender**”). in the maximum amounts of \$1,840,000 (“**Loan 1**”), and \$250,000 (“**Loan 2**”, and collectively with Loan 1, the “**Pathfinder Loans**”); and

WHEREAS, in connection with the Project, the Agency joined in the execution of a (i) building loan mortgage and security agreement, together with a conditional assignment of rents and leases, and (ii) a mortgage and security agreement, together with a conditional assignment of rents and leases (the “**Original Lender Documents**”) from the Agency and Company to the

Lender to secure the Pathfinder Loans, which Original Lender Documents granted to the Lender a mortgage on and security interest in the Project Facility and assigned to the Lender all rents and leases relating to the Project Facility; and

WHEREAS, in order to finance a portion of the Project, the Company obtained from the Agency a commercial loan (“**Agency Loan**”) in the maximum amount of \$125,000; and

WHEREAS, the Company’s obligations with respect to the Agency Loan are secured by a Commercial Mortgage and Security Agreement (the “**Agency Mortgage**”) from the Company in favor of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Company has informed the Agency that the Lender has agreed to lower the interest rate on Loan 1; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the interest reduction on Loan 1, the Company has requested that (A) the Agency continue to subordinate the Agency Mortgage and all present and future indebtedness of the Company to the Agency to any and all indebtedness now or hereafter owing by the Company to the Lender; and (B) the Agency join in the execution of a Mortgage Modification Agreement by and among the Lender, the Company and the Agency (the “**Modification Agreement**”) and a Subordination Agreement by and among the Lender, the Company and the Agency (the “**Subordination Agreement**” and, collectively with the Modification Agreement, the “**2022 Lender Documents**”); and

WHEREAS, the Agency will **NOT** grant Financial Assistance in the form of a mortgage recording tax exemption with respect to the recording of the Modification Agreement in the Oswego County Clerk’s office; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the “**SEQR Act**”) and the regulations (the “**Regulations**”) adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, “**SEQRA**”), the Agency must determine the potential environmental significance of consenting to the refinancing of Loan 1, joining in the execution of the 2022 Lender Documents and continuing to subordinate the Agency Mortgage to any and all indebtedness now or hereafter owing by the Company to the Lender (the “**Transaction**”);

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

Section 1. Pursuant to SEQRA, the Agency hereby finds and determines that:

(A) Pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(23) of the Regulations, the Transaction is a “Type II action” (as said quoted term is defined in the Regulations); and

(B) Therefore, the Agency hereby determines that no environmental impact statement or any other determination or procedure is required under the Regulations with respect to the Transaction.

Section 2. The Agency hereby agrees to consents to the refinancing of Loan 1, agrees to continue to subordinate the Agency Mortgage to any and all indebtedness now or hereafter owing by the Company to the Lender and approves the execution and delivery by the Agency of the 2022 Lender Documents. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency are each hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the 2022 Lender Documents, in substantially the same forms as presented at this meeting, with changes in terms and form as shall be consistent with this Resolution and as the Chief Executive Officer or the (Vice) Chairperson shall approve. The execution thereof by the Chief Executive Officer or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Board of the Agency shall constitute conclusive evidence of such approval. The Agency is hereby authorized to do all things necessary or appropriate for the accomplishment of the foregoing, and all acts heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to the Transaction are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 3. The Chief Executive Office or the (Vice) Chairman of the Agency is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the 2022 Lender Documents and such documents, consents and certificates as may be reasonably required by the Lender in connection with the Transaction.

Section 4. 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.

Section 5. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the Chairman of the Board of the Agency is hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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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	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Recuse</u>
Nick Canale, Jr.	X				
Marc Greco	X				
Tim Stahl	X				
H. Leonard Schick	X				
Gary T. Toth	X				
Barry Trimble	X				

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF OSWEGO)

I, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that (i) I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency (the “*Agency*”) held on August 31, 2022, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same 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 Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the “*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 Open Meetings Law, (iii) the meeting was in all respects duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency on August 31, 2022.

L. Michael Treadwell
Chief Executive Officer

(SEAL)

RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO A REFINANCE

A regular meeting of the County of Oswego Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on August 31, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., at 44 West Bridge Street, Oswego, New York.

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

PRESENT: Nick Canale, Jr., H. Leonard Schick, Marc Greco, Tim Stahl, Gary T. Toth, and Barry Trimble

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Lorrie Burrows, Kevin C. Caraccioli, Kevin LaMontagne, Morris Sorbello, L. Michael Treadwell, Camille Warner, and Austin Wheelock

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded:

RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE REFINANCING IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROJECT FOR LITATRO BUILDING, LLC AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the County of Oswego 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 234 of the Laws of 1973 of the State, 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, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and 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 to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to grant “financial assistance” (as defined in the Act) in connection with the acquisition, reconstruction and equipping of one or more “projects” (as defined in the Act); and

WHEREAS, by resolution duly adopted on January 28, 2019, the Agency approved a project (the “**Project**”) on behalf of Litatro Building, LLC, a New York limited liability company (the “**Company**”), consisting of: (A)(i) the acquisition of a leasehold interest (or sub-leasehold interest) in real property located at 189 W. First Street (Tax Map #128.55-02-14.02) in the City of Oswego, State of New York (collectively, the “**Land**”) improved by an approximately 5,900 square foot building (the “**Existing Building**”); (ii) demolition of the Existing Building and the construction of a five (5) story building mixed-use building (the “**Facility**”); (iii) the acquisition and installation in and around the Facility and/or for use in connection with the Project of various machinery, equipment, furnishings and other items of tangible personal property (collectively the “**Equipment**”) (the Land, the Facility and Equipment are hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Project Facility**”), which Project Facility will consist of on one (1) commercial ground floor, three (3) residential floors and one (1) residential/commercial “rooftop” floor containing approximately 22 residential units and approximately 7,500 square feet of commercial space; (B) the granting of certain financial assistance in the form of exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording tax (except as limited by Section 874 of the Act) and State and local sales and use tax (collectively, the “**Financial Assistance**”); and (C) the lease of the Land and Facility by the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement; the acquisition by the Agency of an interest in the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale from the Company; and the sublease of the Project Facility back to the Company pursuant to a sublease agreement; and

WHEREAS, in order to consummate the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance, the Agency entered into the following documents (hereinafter collectively referred to as the “**Agency Documents**”): (A) a company lease agreement (and a memorandum thereof) dated as of February 1, 2019 (the “**Company Lease**”) by and between the Company and the Agency, pursuant to which, among other things, the Agency acquired a leasehold interest in the Land and the improvements now or hereafter located on the Land from the Company; (B) a lease agreement (and a memorandum thereof) dated as of February 1, 2019 (the “**Agency Lease**”) by and between the Agency and the Company, pursuant to which, among other things, the Company agreed to undertake and complete the Project as agent of the Agency and the Company further agreed to lease the Project Facility from the Agency and, as rental thereunder, to pay the Agency’s administrative fee relating to the Project and to pay all expenses incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project; (C) a payment in lieu of tax agreement dated as of February 1, 2019 (the “**PILOT Agreement**”) by and between the Agency and the Company pursuant to which the Company agreed to pay certain payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Project Facility; (D) a project agreement dated as of February 1, 2019 (the “**Project Agreement**”) by and between the Agency and the Company; and (E) various certificates relating to the Project; and

WHEREAS, in order to finance a portion of the cost of the Project, the Company obtained a loan from Pathfinder Bank (the “**Lender**”) in the maximum amount of \$3,600,000 (the “**Original Pathfinder Loan**”); and

WHEREAS, the Agency joined with the Company in the execution of a building loan mortgage and security agreement and a conditional assignment of rents and leases (the “**Original Lender Documents**”) from the Agency and Company to the Lender to secure the Original Pathfinder Loan, which Original Lender Documents granted to the Lender a mortgage on and security interest in the Project Facility and assigned to the Lender all rents and leases relating to

the Project Facility; and

WHEREAS, in order to finance a portion of the Project, the Company obtained from SJ Thomas (the “**General Contractor**”) (“**SJ Thomas Loan**”, and together with the Original Pathfinder Loan, the “**Original Loans**”) in the maximum amount of \$1,500,000; and

WHEREAS, the Company has informed the Agency that it intends to refinance the Original Loans in an amount not to exceed \$5,400,000 and an amount not to exceed approximately \$325,000 (collectively, the “**Refinanced Loan**”), which Refinanced Loan will be secured by a (A) GAP Mortgage and security agreement (the “**GAP Mortgage**”) from the Company and the Agency to the Lender; (B) a general assignment of leases and rents (the “**GAP Assignment**”) by and among Company, the Agency and the Lender, pursuant to which the Company and the Agency will assign to the Lender, as security for the GAP Loans, all of the interest in, to and under all leases affecting the Project Facility and the rents and other amounts payable thereunder; (C) a mortgage consolidation, extension, and modification agreement from the Company and the Agency to the Lender (the “**Consolidated Mortgage**”); (D) a general assignment of leases and rents (the “**Consolidated Assignment**”) by and among Company, the Agency and the Lender, as security for the Refinanced Loans, all of the interest in, to and under all leases affecting the Project Facility and the rents and other amounts payable thereunder; and (E) such other documents as may be requested by the Lender in connection with the Refinanced Loans (collectively, the “**2022 Lender Documents**”); and;

WHEREAS, the Company has requested that the Agency consent to the execution and delivery by the Company of the 2022 Lender Documents and join with the Company in the execution of the 2022 Lender Documents; and

WHEREAS, the Agency will **NOT** grant Financial Assistance in the form of a mortgage recording tax exemption with respect to the recording of the 2022 Lender Documents in the Oswego County Clerk’s office; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the “**SEQR Act**”) and the regulations (the “**Regulations**”) adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, “**SEQRA**”), the Agency must determine the potential environmental significance of granting its consent to the Company for the execution and delivery of the 2022 Lender Documents and joining in the execution of the 2022 Lender Documents (the “**Transaction**”);

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Section 2. The Agency hereby consents to the execution and delivery by the Company of the 2022 Lender Documents and approves the execution and delivery by the Agency of the 2022 Lender Documents. The Chief Executive Officer and/or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency are each hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the 2022 Lender Documents, in substantially the same forms as presented at this meeting, with changes in terms and form as shall be consistent with this Resolution and as the Chief Executive Officer or the (Vice) Chairperson shall approve. The execution thereof by the Chief Executive Officer or the (Vice) Chairperson of the Agency of the Board shall constitute conclusive evidence of such approval. The Agency is hereby authorized to do all things necessary or appropriate for the accomplishment of the foregoing, and all acts heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to the Transaction are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed.

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Chief Executive Officer

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