COMMERCIAL/RETAIL FINDINGS RESOLUTION LANDMARK PRESERVATION, L.P. PROJECT

A regular meeting of Ulster County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session in the Karen Binder Library at the Ulster County Office Building, 6th Floor, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York on February 14, 2018 at 8:00 o'clock a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the (Vice) Chairman of the Agency and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

PRESENT:

John MorrowChairmanRandall LeveretteVice ChairmanRobert KinninSecretary

Michael Bernholz Treasurer/Assistant Secretary

John Livermore Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

James Malcolm Assistant Secretary/Member

ABSENT:

AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Suzanne Holt Director, Office of Economic Development

Bernadette Andreassen Office of Economic Development

A. Joseph Scott, III, Esq. Agency Counsel Christopher C. Canada, Esq. Agency Counsel

The following resolution was offered by ______, seconded by _____, to wit:

Resolution No.

RESOLUTION (A) DETERMINING THAT THE PROPOSED LANDMARK PRESERVATION, L.P. (THE "COMPANY"). PROJECT IS A COMMERCIAL PROJECT, AND (B) MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS REQUIRED UNDER THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW.

WHEREAS, Ulster County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 787 of the 1976 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 923 of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial, manufacturing and industrial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing 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, to improve their 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 and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, October, 2017, Landmark Preservation, L.P., a New York limited partnership (the "Company") submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of the Company, said Project consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in (a) an approximately 2.90 acre parcel of land located at 295 Broadway (tax map no. 56.34-9-1) in the City of Kingston, Ulster County, New York (the "Broadway Land"), together with an approximately 69,000 square foot building located thereon (the "Broadway Facility") and (b) an approximately 2.30 acre parcel of land located at 1 Albany Avenue (tax map no. 48.80-1-12.11) in the City of Kingston, Ulster County, New York (the "Albany Land" and collectively with the Broadway Land, the "Land"), together with an approximately 107,000 square foot building located thereon (the "Albany Facility" and collectively with the Broadway Facility, the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and rehabilitation of the Facility, and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain machinery, equipment and other personal property (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to constitute a Section 8, senior and handicapped housing facility to be owned and operated by the Company and leased to residential tenants, together with incidental and related commercial space leased to various commercial entities, and any other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on November 8, 2017 (the "Public Hearing Resolution"), the Agency authorized a public hearing to be held pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authorization contained in a resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on November 8, 2017 (the "Public Hearing Resolution"), the Executive Director of the Agency (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Agency (the "Public Hearing") pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, to hear all persons interested in the Project and the Financial Assistance being contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, to be mailed on December 15, 2017 to the chief executive officers of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is to be located, (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be posted on January 5, 2018 on a public bulletin board located at City Hall, 420 Broadway, Kingston, New York, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on January 8, 2018 in The Daily Freeman, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of City of Kingston, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on January 18, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., local time at the Kirkland Event Facility (Senate Room) located at 2 Main Street, Kingston, New York, and (E) prepared a report of the Public Hearing (the "Public Hearing Report") fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing and caused copies of said Public Hearing Report to be made available to the members of the Agency; 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"), by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on February 14, 2018 (the "SEQR Resolution"), the Agency determined that the Project constitutes a "Type II Action" (as such quoted term is defined under SEQRA), and therefore that no further action with respect to the Project was required under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, in Opinion of the State Comptroller Number 85-51, the State Comptroller indicated that the determination whether a project that consists of the construction of an apartment house is a commercial activity within the meaning of the Act is to be made by local officials based upon all of the facts relevant to the proposed project, and that any such determination should take into account the stated purpose of the Act, that is, the promotion of employment opportunities and the prevention of economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Agency in determining whether the Project qualifies for Financial Assistance as a commercial project within the meaning of the Act, the Agency has reviewed the following (collectively, the "Project Qualification Documents"): (A) the Application, including the attached Cost Benefit Analysis; and (B) an economic benefit study dated January 31, 2018 (the "Economic Benefit Study");

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Project Qualification Documents, and to representations by the Company that although the Project constitutes a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total project cost, the Project (A) provides a good or service not otherwise reasonably accessible to the residents of the City of Kingston, New York (the "City") and (B) is located within a distressed census tract and therefore is in a "highly distressed area," as that term is defined in Section 854(18) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 862(2)(b) of the Act, the Agency would be authorized to provide financial assistance in respect of the Project provided that the obligation of the Agency to proceed with the Project was subject to certain conditions, including (1) following compliance with the procedural requirements of Section 859-a of the Act, a finding by the Agency that the Project would preserve permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York or increase the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York and (2) confirmation by the County Executive of Ulster County, New York (the "County Executive") of the proposed action by the Agency with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, having complied with the requirements of SEQRA and Section 859-a of the Act with respect to the Project, the Agency now desires, pursuant to Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, to make its final findings with respect to the Project and its final determination whether to proceed with the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF ULSTER COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. Based upon an examination of the Project Qualification Documents and based further upon the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Project and such further investigation of the Project and its economic effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:

A. The Project is located in an area having a mixture of residential, not-for-profit, commercial, retail, and service uses.

- B. The Economic Benefit Study makes the following comments/findings regarding senior housing in the City:
 - Significant need for affordable senior housing in the City
 - Project will provide affordable housing options to seniors which would be otherwise unavailable
 - Project will result in increased local spending
- C. That undertaking the Project is consistent with the Economic Benefit Study and will assist and maintain current and future residential and commercial development and expansion in the neighborhood area.
- D. The Company has informed representatives of the Agency that the Company is not aware of any adverse employment impact caused by the undertaking of the Project.
- <u>Section 2</u>. Based upon the foregoing review of the Project Qualification Documents and based further upon the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Project Facility and such further investigation of the Project and its economic effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following determinations with respect to the Project:
 - A. That although the Project does constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total project cost, the Project (i) provides a good or service not otherwise reasonably accessible to the residents of the City and (ii) is located in a "highly distressed area" (as defined in the Act).
 - B. That (1) the Project Facility will provide necessary infrastructure for area employers and businesses, (2) the completion of the Project Facility will have an impact upon the creation, retention and expansion of employment opportunities in the City and in the State of New York, and (3) the completion of the Project will assist in promoting employment opportunities and assist in preventing economic deterioration in the City.
 - C. That the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and installation of the Project Facility is essential to the retention of existing employment and the creation of new employment opportunities and is essential to the prevention of economic deterioration of businesses and neighborhoods located in the City.
 - D. That the Project constitutes a "commercial" project within the meaning of the Act.
 - E. That the undertaking of the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving and creating permanent private sector jobs in the State of New York.
- Section 3. Having reviewed the Public Hearing Report, and having considered fully all comments contained therein, and based upon the findings contained in Section 1 above, the Agency hereby determines to proceed with the Project and the granting of the financial assistance described in the notice of the Public Hearing; provided, however, that no financial assistance shall be provided to the Project by the Agency unless and until the County Executive, as chief executive officer of the Ulster County, New York, shall, pursuant to Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, confirm the proposed action of the Agency with respect to the Project.

<u>Section 4</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

John Morrow	VOTING
Randall Leverette	VOTING
Robert Kinnin	VOTING
Michael Bernholz	VOTING
John Livermore	VOTING
James Malcolm	VOTING

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)) SS COUNTY OF ULSTER)	S.:
"Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that of the meeting of the members of the February 14, 2018 with the original there	cretary of Ulster County Industrial Development Agency (the I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on of on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct on contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as ein referred to.
said meeting was in all respects duly he "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was	all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) Id; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place nice with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum nughout said meeting.
I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of effect and has not been amended, repealed	of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and or rescinded.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have 14 th day of February, 2018.	e hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this
	(Assistant) Secretary
(SEAL)	