

**RETAIL FINDINGS RESOLUTION
PARIS PROPERTY GROUP LLC PROJECT**

A regular meeting of Rensselaer County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session in the 3rd Floor Conference Room at the Quackenbush Building located at 333 Broadway in the City of Troy, Rensselaer County, New York on March 14, 2024 at 4:00 o'clock p.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:

Justin A. Law, Esq.	Chairman
Cory Jones	Secretary/Treasurer
Frank Lewandusky	Member
Alyssa Otis	Member

ABSENT:

Matthew Polsinello	Vice Chairman
John H. Clinton, Jr.	Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

RECUSED:

Justin Buchanan	Member
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AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Robert L. Pasinella, Jr.	Executive Director
Robin LaBrake	Assistant
Peter R. Kehoe, Esq.	Special Agency Counsel
John E. Sweeney, Esq.	Special Agency Counsel
A. Joseph Scott, III, Esq.	Special Counsel

The following resolution was offered by Frank Lewandusky, seconded by Cory Jones, to wit:

Resolution No. 0324-__

**RESOLUTION MAKING RETAIL FINDINGS FOR A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL
PROJECT FOR PARIS PROPERTY GROUP LLC.**

WHEREAS, Rensselaer 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 128 of the 1974 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 903-d 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, in January, 2024, Paris Property Group LLC, a New York State limited liability company (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 an approximately 1.46 acre parcel of land located at 375 North Greenbush Road (Tax Map No.: 134.-1-5) in the Town of North Greenbush, Rensselaer County, New York (the “Land”), together with an approximately 14,400 square foot building located thereon (the “Facility”), (2) the renovation and redevelopment of the Facility and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the “Equipment”) (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the “Project Facility”), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and operated by Turnkey Workplace Services Inc. (the “Operator”) as the Operator’s headquarters and office furniture showroom 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 property 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 February 8, 2024 (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 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 February 21, 2024 to the chief executive officers of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project is or is to be located, (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be posted on February 21, 2024 on a bulletin board located at the North Greenbush Town Hall, 2 Douglas Street in the Town of North Greenbush, Rensselaer County, New York and also on the Agency’s website, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on February 23, 2024 in The Record, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of Rensselaer County, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on March 7, 2024 at 10:00 o’clock a.m., local time at the North Greenbush Town Hall located at 2 Douglas Street in the Town of North Greenbush, Rensselaer County, (E) prepared a report of the Public Hearing (the “Hearing Report”) fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing and caused copies of said Hearing Report to be made available to the members of the Agency, and (F) caused a copy of the Certified Public Hearing Resolution to be sent via certified mail, return receipt requested on February 20, 2024 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 to comply with the requirements of Section 859-a of the Act; 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 SEQRA Act, "SEQRA"), by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on February 8, 2024 (the "SEQRA Resolution"), the Agency determined that the Project constituted a "Type II action" (as such quoted term is defined under SEQRA), and therefor that no further action with respect to the Project was required under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application, 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 Company has represented to the Agency that the Project is located within census tract 36083052301, which is contiguous to census tract 36083041000, 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 the Rensselaer County 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 RENSSELAER COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Based upon an examination of the Application 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) 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 is located within census tract 36083052301, which is contiguous to census tract 36083041000, which is considered to be a distressed census tract and therefore is in a "highly distressed area", as that term is defined in Section 854(18) of the Act;

(B) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project, through the granting of the various tax exemptions, will promote the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Rensselaer County, New York and the State of New York and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act;

(C) The completion of the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs or increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York; and

(D) The chief executive officer of Rensselaer County, New York shall confirm the proposed action of the Agency.

Section 2. Having reviewed the Hearing Report, and having considered fully all comments contained therein, the Agency hereby further confirms the Agency's finding in that, although facilities or projects that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities may constitute more than one-third of the costs of the Project, the Agency is authorized to provide financial assistance with respect to the Project pursuant to Section 862(2)(b) of the Act because the Project is located within census tract 36083052301, which is contiguous to census tract 36083041000, which is considered to be a distressed census tract and therefore is in a "highly distressed area", as that term is defined in Section 854(18) of the Act.

Section 4. Having reviewed the 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 of Rensselaer County, New York, as chief executive officer of Rensselaer 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.

Section 5. 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 follows:

Justin A. Law, Esq.	VOTING	YES
Matthew Polsinello	VOTING	ABSENT
Cory Jones	VOTING	YES
John H. Clinton, Jr.	VOTING	ABSENT
Justin Buchanan	VOTING	RECUSED
Frank Lewandusky	VOTING	YES
Alyssa Otis	VOTING	YES

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

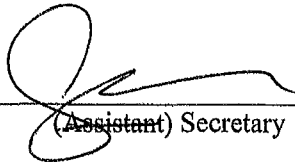
STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF RENSSELAER)

I, the undersigned (~~Assistant~~) Secretary of Rensselaer County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on March 14, 2024 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 14th day of March, 2024.



(~~Assistant~~) Secretary

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