RESOLUTION CONFIRMING SEQR DETERMINATION MIDTOWN ALBANY LLC PROJECT

A regular meeting of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York on November 16, 2023 at 12:15 p.m., local time.

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

PRESENT:

Elizabeth Staubach
Lee E. Eck, Jr.
Darius Shahinfar
Anthony Gaddy
Joseph Better
John F. Maxwell

Chair
Vice Chair
Vice Chair
Areasurer
Messer
Secretary
Member

ABSENT:

Christopher Betts

Member

AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Sarah Reginelli Chief Executive Officer
Andrew Corcione Chief Operating Officer

Ashley Mohl Senior Vice President, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Renee McFarlin Senior Economic Developer, Capitalize Albany Corporation

Michael Bohne Communications & Marketing Manager, Capitalize Albany Corporation Emma Fullem Economic Development Specialist, Capitalize Albany Corporation

Patrick Gareau Program Assistant, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Cassidy Roberts Program Assistant, Capitalize Albany Corporation

Marisa Franchini, Esq. Agency Counsel

A. Joseph Scott, III, Esq. Special Agency Counsel

The following resolution was offered by Joseph Better, seconded by Anthony Gaddy, to wit:

Resolution No. 1123-

RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE DETERMINATION BY THE CITY OF ALBANY PLANNING BOARD, AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THE MIDTOWN ALBANY LLC PROPOSED PROJECT.

WHEREAS, 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 325 of the 1974 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 903-a 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 industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research and recreation 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, reconstruct and install one or more "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, Midtown Albany 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, requesting 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 0.69 acre parcel of land located at 102 Hackett Boulevard (tax map no.: 75.60-2-27) in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land") together with an existing approximate 28,000 square foot building located thereon (the "Facility"), (2) the reconstruction and renovation of the Facility and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible 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 be owned and operated by the Company as an approximate 25 market rate residential unit facility; (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 October 19, 2023 (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 Chief Executive Officer 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 October 25, 2023 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 October 26, 2023 on a public bulletin board located at the Albany City Hall located at 24 Eagle Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York as well as on the Agency's website, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on October 28, 2023 in the Albany Times Union, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on November 8, 2023 at 12:00 o'clock p.m., local time at the offices of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, (E) prepared a report of the Public Hearing (the "Public Hearing Report") which fairly summarized 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 (F) caused a copy of the certified Public Hearing Resolution to be sent via certified mail return receipt requested on October 25, 2023 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 SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), the Agency has been informed that (1) the City of Albany Planning Board (the "Planning Board") was designated to act as "lead agency" with respect to the Project, and (2) the Planning Board issued a Determination of Non-Significance on May 30, 2023 (the "Negative Declaration"), attached hereto as Exhibit A, determining that the acquisition, renovation, reconstruction and installation of the Project Facility will not have a "significant effect on the environment"; and

WHEREAS, the Agency is an "involved agency" with respect to the Project and the Agency now desires to concur in the determination by the Planning Board, as "lead agency" with respect to the Project, to acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Negative Declaration and to indicate whether the Agency has any information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in determining that the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" pursuant to SEQRA and, therefore, that no environmental impact statement need be prepared with respect to the Project;

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

- Section 1. The Agency has received copies of, and has reviewed, the Application and the Negative Declaration (collectively, the "Reviewed Documents") and, based upon said Reviewed Documents, the Agency hereby ratifies and concurs in the designation of the Planning Board as "lead agency" with respect to the Project under SEQRA (as such quoted term is defined in SEQRA).
- Section 2. The Agency hereby determines that the Agency has no information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in determining that the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" pursuant to the SEQRA and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement need not be prepared with respect to the Project (as such quoted phrase is used in SEQRA).
- Section 3. The members of the Agency are hereby directed to notify the Planning Board of the concurrence by the Agency that the Planning Board shall be the "lead agency" with respect to the Project, and to further indicate to the Planning Board that the Agency has no information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in its determinations contained in the Negative Declaration.

Section 4. 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:

Elizabeth Staubach	VOTING	YES
Lee E. Eck, Jr.	VOTING	YES
Darius Shahinfar	VOTING	YES
Anthony Gaddy	VOTING	YES
Joseph Better	VOTING	YES
Christopher Betts	VOTING	ABSENT
John F. Maxwell, Esq.	VOTING	YES

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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

I, the undersigned Secretary of City of Albany 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 November 16, 2023 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 16th day of November, 2023.

Secretar

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT A

NEGATIVE DECLARATION



NOTIFICATION OF LOCAL ACTION DECISION OF THE PLANNING BOARD

PROJECT NUMBER:

P00512

CASE NUMBER(S):

DPR #0164

ADDRESS:

102 Hackett Boulevard

TAX ID #:

75.60-2-27

ZONING DISTRICT:

MU-NE (Mixed Use - Neighborhood Edge)

TOTAL ACREAGE:

.88 Acres (38,350 Square Feet)

REQUEST:

Major Development Plan Review - §375-505(3)(i)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Conversion of the existing +/- 27,736 square feet building at the

site to a multi-unit dwelling with 25 dwelling units.

PROJECT APPLICANT:

102 Hackett, LLC

PO Box 3919, Albany, NY 12203

DATE OF DECISION:

May 30, 2023

DECISION:

APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS

CONDITIONS:

- Prior to the issuance of the Building Permit, the applicant shall enter into an agreement with the City of Albany, for the existing stairs and sign within the public right-of-way. Signage shall comply with §375-409 Signs, of the Unified Sustainable Development Ordinance (USDO).
- Prior to the issuance of the Building Permit, the applicant shall submit the easement for ingress/egress across 94 Hackett Boulevard.
- Prior to the Issuance of the Building Permit, the applicant shall receive final approval from the Department of Water and Water Supply.

FACTS:

- 1. Application documents and supplemental filings of the applicant as of the date of this decision, as evidenced in the digital record for Project #P00512
- All plans, renderings, analyses and reports received as of the date of this decision, as evidenced in the digital record for Project #P00512

- 3. All written correspondence received as of the date of this decision, as evidenced in the digital record for Project #P00512
- 4. Content and testimony of the 03/28/2023 and 04/18/2023 meeting of the City of Albany Planning

WAIVERS:

Pursuant to the procedure and criteria outlined in §375-505(3)(e), the Planning Board considered the following waivers in conjunction with this development plan review:

§375-403(5)(a)(i)	Unless otherwise provided in this USDO, a sidewalk of at least five feet in width shall be installed along each street frontage.
Approved Vote: 3-0-0	Plans will not include sidewalks along the Hackett Boulevard street frontage.
§375-403(5)(b)	Each property with a street frontage of 50 linear feet or more shall install at least one bench, bicycle rack, planter, trash receptacle, or piece of public art per 50 feet of street frontage or part thereof.
Approved Vote: 3-0-0	Plans will not include street amenities along the Hackett Boulevard street frontage.
§375-405(5)(b)(iii)	On lots in the nonresidential zoning districts that are adjacent to a residential zoning district, parking spaces shall not be located within 10 feet of the front lot line.
Approved Vote: 3-0-0	Plans will include parking spaces within 10 feet of the front lot line, as related to 104 Hackett Boulevard and 66 Hackett Boulevard.
§375-405(5)(c)(ii)	All required parking spaces shall comply with the minimum dimensions for spaces shown in Figure 375.405.1 and described Table 375.405.6
Approved Vote: 3-0-0	Plans will include parking spaces measuring $17-18$ feet (depth) and $7.5-9$ feet (width).

FINDINGS:

Based upon review of the complete record for DPR #0164, the Board finds that the proposed development:

- 1. Will not create significant adverse impacts on the surrounding neighborhood, or any significant adverse impacts will be limited to a short period of time;
- 2. Will not create risks to public health or safety;
- 3. Is not subject to any prior approvals or conditions;
- 4. Is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan;
- 5. Is consistent with any provisions of this Unified Sustainable Development Ordinance and the Albany City Code; and
- Is not subject to any requirements or conditions of any prior development permits or approvals related to the property.

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For	3	Ellis:	Y	Hull:	Υ
Against:	0	Gailliard:	Υ		
Abstain:	0				

I, <u>Christopher Ellis Jr.</u> representing the Planning Board of the City of Albany, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a decision of the Planning Board made at a meeting thereof duly called and held on the day of <u>May 30, 2023</u>.

Signature: _____

Important Notes: 1. This approval is subject to the approved plan set as stamped and approved by the Chair of the Planning Board. 2. This is not a building permit. All building permits must be approved and Issued by the Division of Building & Regulatory Compliance prior to the start of any construction. Unless otherwise specified by the Board, this decision shall expire and become null and void if the applicant fails to obtain any necessary zoning, building, or other permits or comply with the conditions of such decision within one (1) year of the date of signature.

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Project:	00512
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Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 - Impact Assessment

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

		No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1.	Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	V	
2.	Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	V	
3.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	V	
4.	Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	V	
5.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	V	
6.	Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	V	
7.	Will the proposed action impact existing: a. public / private water supplies?	V	
	b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	V	
8.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	V	
9.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	V	
10.	Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	V	
11.	Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	V	

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Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

Project #00512 - 102 Hackett Boulevard includes the conversion of the existing 27,736± square foot building at the site to a multi-unit dwelling with 25 dwelling units. The prior use of the building included office space utilized by the New York State Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Association. The Project is classified as an Unlisted Action. Based on the project materials submitted by the applicant, reviewed by the City of Albany Planning Board and the Department of Planning and Development, it has been concluded that the project will have not have a negative environmental impact.

A new water service is proposed to accommodate the change of use to the 25 dwelling units. Existing parking lot including 41 spaces to be utilized. No new impervious surfaces are included in the project. $\pm 3,447$ square feet of outdoor recreation space, and ± 550 square feet of indoor recreation space is provided. The project also includes additional landscaping, buffering and screening.

Check this box if you have determined, based on the info that the proposed action may result in one or more pot- environmental impact statement is required.	ormation and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, entially large or significant adverse impacts and an
that the proposed action will not result in any significant	•
City Of Albany Planning Board	May 30, 2023
Name of Lead Agency	Date
Christopher Ellis	Chairman, City of Albany Planning Board
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Title of Responsible Officer Jasleen Jaspal; Senior Planner Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

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