# NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY April 10, 2018

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Members of the Authority present: Chairman Larry Downes, Acting Commissioner Marlene Caride of the Department of Banking and Insurance; Acting Commissioner Robert Asaro - Angelo of Department of Labor and Workforce Development; Jim Kelly representing Acting State Treasurer Elizabeth Muoio; Public Members Charles Sarlo, Fred Dumont, and John Lutz, Third Alternate Public Member.

Present via conference call: Dan Ryan representing Acting Commissioner Catherine McCabe of the Department of Environmental Protection; Public Members Massiel Medina Ferrara, William J. Albanese, Sr., Second Alternate Public Member; and Rodney Sadler, Non-Voting Member.

Absent: Mary Maples of the Executive Branch; Public Members Philip Alagia, Louis Goetting, and William Layton, and Thomas Scrivo.

Also present: Timothy Sullivan, Chief Executive Officer of the Authority; Timothy Lizura, President and Chief Operating Officer; Deputy Attorney General Gabriel Chacon; Adam Sternbach, Governor's Authorities' Unit; and staff.

Mr. Downes called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

Pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Mr. Lizura announced that this was a public hearing and comments are invited on any Private Activity bond projects presented today.

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Mr. Lizura announced that notice of this meeting has been sent to the *Star Ledger* and the *Trenton Times* at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, and that a meeting notice has been duly posted on the Secretary of State's bulletin board at the State House.

## MINUTES OF AUTHORITY MEETING

The next item of business was the approval of the February 13, 2018 meeting minutes. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Commissioner Angelo, and seconded by Commissioner Caride, and was approved by 8 of the 10 voting members present, and two alternates.

**FOR INFORMATION ONLY:** The next item was the presentation of the Chief Executive Officer's Monthly Report to the Board.

# **BOARD PRESENTATION**

George Helmy, State Director, U.S. Senator Cory Booker, provided board members with an overview of the newly enacted federal "Opportunity Zone" program.

## **INCENTIVE PROGRAMS**

# **Economic Redevelopment and Growth Grant Program**

ITEM: Garden Spires Urban Renewal, LP

APPL.#39897

**REQUEST:** To approve the application of Garden Spires Urban Renewal, LP for a Project located in Newark, Essex County for reimbursement of certain taxes. The recommendation is to award 30% of actual eligible costs, not to exceed \$33,676,732 based on the budget submitted.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Dumont SECOND: Commissioner Caride AYES: 8 (and 2 alternates)

RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 1

ITEM: Spruce Spires Urban Renewal, LP

APPL.#39895

**REQUEST:** To approve the application of Spruce Spires Urban Renewal, LP for a Project located in Newark, Essex County for reimbursement of certain taxes. The recommendation is to award 30% of actual eligible costs, not to exceed \$9,246,719 based on the budget submitted.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Dumont SECOND: Commissioner Angelo AYES: 8 (and 2 alternates)

**RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 2** 

# **Grow New Jersey Assistance Program**

ITEM: Carts Mobile Food Equipment Corporation

APPL.#44861

**REQUEST**: To approve the application of Carts Mobile Food Equipment Corporation for a Grow New Jersey Assistance Program Grant to encourage the applicant to make a capital investment and locate in Plainfield City, NJ. Project location of Plainfield City, Union County qualifies as a Distressed Municipality under N.J.S.A. 34:1B-242 et seq and the program's rules, N.J.A.C. 19:31-18. The project is eligible, pursuant to the statute, for bonus increases to the tax credit award for Deep Poverty Pocket, Transit Oriented Development, Capital Investment in Excess of Minimum (non-mega), Targeted Industry of Manufacturing. The estimated annual award is \$374,000 for a 10-year term.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Angelo SECOND: Mr. Lutz AYES: 8 (and 2 alternates)
RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 3

ITEM: Choice Logistics, Inc.

APPL.#44920

**REQUEST**: To approve the application of Choice Logistics, Inc. for a Grow New Jersey Assistance Program Grant to encourage the applicant to make a capital investment and locate in Jersey City, NJ. Project location of Jersey City, Hudson County qualifies as an Urban Transit HUB Municipality under N.J.S.A. 34:1B-242 et seq and the program's rules, N.J.A.C. 19:31-18. The project is eligible, pursuant to the statute, for bonus increases to the tax credit award for, Transit Oriented Development, Targeted Industry of Logistics. The estimated annual award is \$825,000 for a 10-year term.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Dumont SECOND: Commissioner Caride AYES: 8 (and 2 alternates)

ITEM: Feldware, Inc. APPL.#44900

**REQUEST**: To approve the application of Feldware, Inc. for a Grow New Jersey Assistance Program Grant to encourage the applicant to make a capital investment and locate in Rahway City, NJ. Project location of Rahway City, Union County qualifies as a Distressed Municipality under N.J.S.A. 34:1B-242 et seq and the program's rules, N.J.A.C. 19:31-18. The project is eligible, pursuant to the statute, for bonus increases to the tax credit award for Capital Investment in Excess of Minimum (non-mega), Targeted Industry of Manufacturing. The estimated annual award is \$247,500 for a 10-year term.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Caride SECOND: Mr. Lutz AYES: 8 (and 2 alternates)
RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 5

Acting Commissioner Angelo left the meeting at this time.

**ITEM:** Infinite Herbs LLC

APPL.#44905

**REQUEST**: To approve the application of Infinite Herbs LLC for a Grow New Jersey Assistance Program Grant to encourage the applicant to make a capital investment and locate in Vineland City, NJ. Project location of Vineland City, Cumberland County qualifies as a Distressed Municipality under N.J.S.A. 34:1B-242 et seq and the program's rules, N.J.A.C. 19:31-18. The project is eligible, pursuant to the statute, for bonus increases to the tax credit award for 2007 Revit. Index > 465 in Cumberland County. The estimated annual award is \$625,000 for a 10-year term.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Lutz SECOND: Commissioner Caride AYES: 7 (and 2 alternates)

RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 6

**ITEM:** Tech Mahindra (Americas) Inc.

APPL.#44852

**REQUEST**: To approve the finding of jobs at risk

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Lutz SE

**SECOND:** Mr. Dumont AYES: 7 (and 2 alternates)

RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT:7

ITEM: Integra Life Sciences Corporation

APPL.#44882

**REQUEST**: To approve the application of Integra Life Sciences Corporation for a Grow New Jersey Assistance Program Grant to encourage the applicant to make a capital investment and locate in Plainsboro Township, NJ. Project location of Plainsboro Township, Middlesex County qualifies as a Priority Area under N.J.S.A. 34:1B-242 et seq and the program's rules, N.J.A.C. 19:31-18. The project is eligible, pursuant to the statute, for bonus increases to the tax credit award for Jobs with Salary in Excess of County Average, Large number of New/Retained F/T jobs, Targeted Industry of Life Sciences. The estimated annual award is \$1,780,832 for a 10-year term.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Dumont SECOND: Commissioner Caride AYES: 7 (and 2 alternates)

RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 8

**ITEM:** Tech Mahindra (Americas) Inc.

APPL.#44852

**REQUEST**: To approve the finding of jobs at risk

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Lutz SECOND: Mr. Dumont AYES: 7 (and 2 alternates)

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ITEM: Tech Mahindra (Americas) Inc.

APPL.#44852

**REQUEST**: To approve the application of Tech Mahindra (Americas) Inc. for a Grow New Jersey Assistance Program Grant to encourage the applicant to make a capital investment and locate in Bedminster Township, NJ. Project location of Bedminster Township, Somerset County qualifies as a Priority Area under N.J.S.A. 34:1B-242 et seq and the program's rules, N.J.A.C. 19:31-18. The project is eligible, pursuant to the statute, for bonus increases to the tax credit award for Target Industry of Technology. The estimated annual award is \$199,800 for a 10-year term.

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** Mr. Lutz **SECOND:** Mr. Dumont AYES: 7 (and 2 alternates)

RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 10

ITEM: Union Packaging, LLC

APPL,#44885

**REQUEST**: To approve the application of Union Packaging, LLC for a Grow New Jersey Assistance Program Grant to encourage the applicant to make a capital investment and locate in Camden, NJ. Project location of Camden, Camden County qualifies as a Garden State Growth Zone under N.J.S.A. 34:1B-242 et seq and the program's rules, N.J.A.C. 19:31-18. The estimated annual award is \$1,063,985 for a 10-year term.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Caride SECOND: Mr. Lutz AYES: 7 (and 2 alternates)
RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 11

Mr. Ryan left the call at this time. Subsequently, Chairman Downes authorized the alternate members to exercise all of the powers, duties and responsibilities of members for the meeting.

# **Grow New Jersey Assistance Program- Modification**

ITEM: LTC Consulting Services, LLC

APPL.#39890

**REQUEST**: Consent to changes for the approved Grow NJ Award that will decrease their award amount.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Lutz SECOND: Commissioner Caride AYES: 6 (and 2 alternates)

**RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 12** 

ITEM: RAB Lighting Inc.

APPL.#39725

**REQUEST**: Consent to changes for the approved Grow NJ Award that will decrease their award amount

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Caride SECOND: Mr. Lutz AYES: 6 (and 2 alternates)

#### **BOND PROJECTS**

# **Preliminary Bond Resolutions**

ITEM: Atlantic City Sewerage Company

APPL.#44952

**LOCATION:** Atlantic City, Atlantic County

PROCEEDS FOR: Renovations, Construction, Envirn. Investigation & Remediation

FINANCING: Total costs: \$5,255,000

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** Mr. Dumont **SECOND:** Mr. Kelly AYES: 6 (and 2 alternates)

RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 14

# LOANS/GRANTS/GUARANTEES

# **Loan Modifications**

ITEM: AC Beach Development Partners, LLC

**REQUEST**: Consent to the release of guarantors

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Dumont

**SECOND:** Mr. Lutz AYES: 6 (and 2 alternates)

RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 15

# **Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund**

ITEM: Summary of NJDEP Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund Program projects

approved by the Department of Environmental Protection.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Commissioner Caride SECOND: Mr. Kelly AYES: 6 (and 2 alternates)

RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 16

**PROJECT:** Peter Minardi dba Positive Electric

APPL.#44568

**LOCATION:** Hanover Township, Morris County

PROCEEDS FOR: Remedial Action

**FINANCING:** \$15,500

# Petroleum Underground Storage Tank (PUST)

ITEM: Summary of NJDEP Petroleum UST Remediation, Upgrade & Closure Fund Program

projects approved by the Department of Environmental Protection.

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** Commissioner Caride **SECOND:** Mr. Kelly AYES: 6 (and 2 alternates)

PROJECT: Sabino Guanci APPL.#44801

**LOCATION:** Bloomfield Township, Essex County

**PROCEEDS FOR:** Remediation

**FINANCING:** \$129.284

**PROJECT:** Nathaniel Brightwell APPL.#44374

**LOCATION:** Linden City, Union County

**PROCEEDS FOR:** Upgrade, Closure, Remediation

**FINANCING:** \$145,069

**PROJECT:** John and Doris Clayton APPL.#44424

**LOCATION:** Haddonfield Borough, Camden County PROCEEDS FOR: Upgrade, Closure, Remediation

**FINANCING:** \$146,988

**PROJECT:** Estate of Marian Anglim APPL.#44363

**LOCATION:** Woodbridge Township, Middlesex County

PROCEEDS FOR: Upgrade, Closure, Remediation

**FINANCING:** \$135.245

APPL.#44391 **PROJECT:** Doug Gibson

LOCATION: Manalapan Township, Monmouth County

PROCEEDS FOR: Upgrade, Closure, Remediation

**FINANCING:** \$152,068

PROJECT: Jayne Mead APPL.#44427

**LOCATION:** Leonia Borough, Bergen County

PROCEEDS FOR: Upgrade, Closure, Remediation

**FINANCING:** \$221,594

APPL.#44330 **PROJECT:** Frank Tyger

**LOCATION:** Barnegat Township, Ocean County PROCEEDS FOR: Upgrade, Closure, Remediation

**FINANCING:** \$236,242

APPL.#44515 **PROJECT:** Monmouth Presbytery

**LOCATION:** Aberdeen Township, Monmouth County

PROCEEDS FOR: Upgrade, Closure, Remediation

**FINANCING:** \$157,165

#### **EDISON INNOVATION FUND**

# NJ CoVest Fund Program

**ITEM:** Early Stage Technology Company Investment Program

**REQUEST**: Approve clarification of program eligibility and requirements

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Kelly SECOND: Mr. Sarlo AYES: 6 (and 2 alternates)

RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 18

**PROJECT:** Gridless Power Corporation

APPL.#44913

**LOCATION:** Collingswood Borough, Camden County

**PROCEEDS FOR:** Working Capital

**FINANCING:** \$250,000

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** Mr. Dumont **SECOND:** Mr. Lutz AYES: 6 (and 2 alternates)

**RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 19** 

## **OFFICE OF RECOVERY**

### **Energy Resilience Bank Program- Modification**

ITEM: St. Peter's University Hospital Project Funding

**REQUEST**: Consent to the modification of the funding amount due to additional project work and

resiliency modifications

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Dumont SECOND: Commissioner Caride AYES: 6 (and 2)

alternates)

RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 20

#### **REAL ESTATE**

ITEM: FMERA Purchase and Sale & Redevelopment Agreement

**REQUEST**: Consent to FMERA entering into the redevelopment agreement with Commvault

Systems, Inc. for the Charles Wood Fire Station Parcel in Tinton Falls

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Dumont SECOND: Commissioner Caride AYES: 6 (and 2)

alternates)

**RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 21** 

# **BOARD MEMORANDUMS**

FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Projects approved under Delegated Authority

**Direct Loan Program:** Bylada Foods, LLC (44063)

Premier Lender Program: 44 Washington Street 2018 LLC (P44864), 149-151 Randolph LLC (P44910), BTB Holdings, LLC and Butler Real Estate Holdings, LLC (44859 & 44896), KD Singh Enterprise LLC (P44863)

**FOR INFORMATION ONLY:** Hazardous Discharge Site First Quarter 2018 approvals- Delegated Authority

FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Incentives Modifications- First Quarter 2018

**FOR INFORMATION ONLY:** Post Closing Credit Delegated Authority- First Quarter 2018 approvals

**FOR INFORMATION ONLY:** Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Program- First Quarter 2018 approvals

**FOR INFORMATION ONLY:** Real Estate Division Delegated Authority for Leases and Right of Entry Licenses- First Quarter 2018

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The next item was to adjourn the public session of the meeting and enter into Executive Session to discuss a real estate matter and a potential litigation matter, where disclosure could adversely affect the public interest. The minutes will be made public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Dumont SECOND: Mr. Sarlo AYES: 6 (and 2 alternates)
RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 22

The Board returned to Public Session.

#### REAL ESTATE

ITEM: Agreement of Sale of Property with Gateway Community Action Partnership, Block 190 Lot 1, Corner of Pamphylia and Southeast Avenues, Bridgeton (4.454 acres)

REQUEST To approve the disposition of property in Bridgeton.

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Serle SECOND: Mr. Dymont AVES: (4.42 sleepeter)

MOTION TO APPROVE: Mr. Sarlo SECOND: Mr. Dumont AYES: 6 (and 2 alternates)

**RESOLUTION ATTACHED AND MARKED EXHIBIT: 23** 

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Sarlo, and seconded by Mr. Dumont, the meeting was adjourned at 3:39pm.

Certification:

The foregoing and attachments represent a true and complete summary of the actions taken by the New Jersey Economic Development Authority at its

meeting.

Maureen Hassett, Sr. Vice President

Governance, Communications and Strategic Initiatives

Assistant Secretary