

# MINUTES – AGENCY SPECIAL MEETING – December 6, 2016

Time & Place:4:00 PM, Harris Beach Law Firm,<br/>99 Garnsey Road, Pittsford, New York

Board Present: A. Burr (Chair), P. Buckley, G. Collins, D. Kuntz, A. Meleo, M. Worboys-Turner

Board Excused: J. Popli,

Also Present: Jeffrey Adair (Executive Director), M. Geise (Director of ED) R. Baranello Endress, Esq.,

Chair Burr called the meeting to order. Peter Buckley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Burr opened the Public Forum and reminded all that public comments should be related to the agenda, and that comments that are general in nature should be submitted prior to the meeting in writing. One speaker offered comments. There being no further speakers, the Public Forum was closed.

### **Rochester Joint Schools Construction Board**

### Tax Exempt Bond

Rochester Joint Schools Construction Board (RJCBB) was represented by Peppin Accilien. RJCBB as Agent for the Rochester City School District and the City of Rochester will be undertaking Phase II of the Rochester Schools Modernization Program. This program is part of the City School District's strategic plan and its move to a K-8, 9-12 grade structure, as well as review of facility usage, current building conditions, school capacity analysis and future enrollment projections. This Phase will include renovations, reconfigurations, interior and exterior renovations of 13 schools as well as the district wide technology upgrade. Phase I encompassed 12 schools and was approved by COMIDA in 2011 for Tax Exempt Bond financing. The applicant is seeking approval of \$435,000,000 in Tax Exempt Bond Financing. A Public Hearing was held in the City of Rochester on November 15, 2016. After a brief discussion regarding the motion to approve, P. Buckley and D. Kuntz indicated that they would have to abstain if a motion was made. After a brief discussion and on a motion made by M. Worboys-Turner and seconded by A. Meleo, a resolution was adopted approving SEQR for the subject property. P. Buckley and D. Kuntz abstained. All others Aye. On a motion made by G. Collins and seconded by A. Meleo, an inducement and final resolution was adopted approving Tax Exempt Bond issuance.. P. Buckley and D. Kuntz abstained. All others Aye.

# **Hyponex** Corporation

# Lease/Leaseback with Abatement

The company was represented via phone by Brian Harrington Hyponex Corporation (Hyponex), a division of The Scotts Miracle-Gro Company is proposing the purchase of 78.27 acres and construction of a manufacturing facility for the production of soil and mulch in the Town of Riga. The 58,500 square foot facility will distribute product to the in Western New York, Pennsylvania and the NY tri state area. Hyponex also considered constructing the facility in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The project is projected to create 27 new FTEs over the next three years. The property is not currently on the tax rolls. The applicant is seeking approval of JobsPlus property tax abatement. The job creation requirement is 1 FTE. The Benefit/Incentive ratio is 5.1:1. A Public Hearing was held in the Town of Riga on November 14, 2016. D. Kuntz asked if they were aware of the Local Labor policy, Mr. Harrington responded yes. After a brief discussion and on a motion made by M. Worboys-Turner and seconded by A. Meleo, a resolution was adopted approving SEQR for the subject property. All Aye. On a motion made by D. Kuntz and seconded by G. Collins, an inducement resolution and final resolution for exemption from sales and mortgage recording tax and approval of PILOT Agreement was adopted approving subject the project. All Aye.

Peter asked about including a role call before motions are made and it was agreed that they will be done as needed..

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Chair Burr.