## MUNICIPAL RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO SEQRA REVIEW AND APPROVING APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING FROM THE EMPIRE STATE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S RESTORE NY COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM Round 7 Approved in 2022-23 State Budget

The Village Board of the Village of Pulaski, in the County of Oswego, State of New York, met in the Village of Pulaski, located at 4917 N. Jefferson Street, County of Oswego, State of New York, on the 20th day of January, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of further discussing the following matters described:

Jan Tighe, Mayor, and the following Trustees were present: Alan Engelbrekt, Trustee Jeffrey Fowler, Trustee Ryan McGrath, Trustee Scott Pello, Trustee

Absent:

Mayor Tighe explained the resolution draft prepared in some detail, including the SEQRA issues considered; the following resolution was then moved by Trustee Han £, seconded by Trustee Seffrey F. All ayes.:

WHEREAS, the Empire State Development Corporation, through the latest round of its Restore NY Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program, is continuing to encourage economic development and neighborhood growth by soliciting requests from municipalities for financial assistance for the revitalization of commercial and residential properties; and

WHEREAS, the Village is seeking assistance for the Pulaski Commercial Corridor Revival Project through this round of the program; and

WHEREAS, the goals of Restore NY's Communities Initiatives Municipal Grant Program are to revitalize urban centers, rural areas, and disadvantaged communities; and

WHEREAS, funding for a grant program to implement the Restore NY's Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program was approved in the 2022-23 New York State Budget, and up to \$150 million is available under Round 7 of the grant program; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Pulaski has, through its consultant Kristy LaManche of KL Consulting Services been presented with the current program specifics, a listing of several properties and owners spoken to, the development ideas discussed, and as such directed and caused a Letter of Intent to be submitted to Empire State Development on November 30, 2022 "Exhibit A"; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Tighe and Ms. LaManche, after discussing the potential properties and projects, their size and scope, caused the preparation of Part I of a short environmental assessment form pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act Exhibit "B" attached; and

WHEREAS, The Village Board of Trustees also on this date having considered the related projects and grant funding, as described in the EAF part I, consist of renovations at 110 Lewis Street consisting of exterior façade improvements and interior renovations for commercial use; at 4826 Salina Street involving exterior renovations and first floor interior renovations for commercial use; at 4844 N. Jefferson Street consisting of exterior and interior renovations to transform into a fully occupied mixed use building; at 4873 N. Jefferson Street consisting of interior renovations to create an energy efficient, second floor apartment, and at 4881 N. Jefferson Street consisting of exterior and interior renovations for commercial use. All improvements to be consistent with NYS and local codes requirements of existing areas and will replace same with legally permitted business uses and including Village Board review and application of architectural and design guidelines intended to preserve character of existing architecturally significant buildings, or where lacking, to advise as to exterior facade features intended to do so.

WHEREAS, project applicants, having sought and provided estimates for their respective project costs are aware of the program match requirements and have represented they are able to pay such matching funds requirement of at least 10%; and

WHEREAS, relative to the public hearing held on December 12, 2022 a Notice of Public Hearing and Publication of Property Assessment List scheduling a public hearing for that date was duly published on three consecutive publication days in a daily local newspaper, as required and as shown on the proof of publication attached as Exhibit "C" (such paper also being an official paper of general circulation and there being no such daily local paper in the Village) such public hearing having been opened, held and closed at such times and as noted in the Village Board minutes including synopses of such comments and discussions had relative to the Application and Property Assessment List; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board having discussed and considered the principles outlined in the following paragraph and whether and to the extent such objectives are met by the projects proposed; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Village of Pulaski hereby supports the Restore NY's Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program based on the principles that the proposed project(s): (a) is consistent with the municipality's local revitalization or urban development plan, (b) the proposed financing is appropriate for the specific project(s), (c) it facilitates effective and efficient use of existing and future public resources so as to promote both economic development and preservation of community resources, and (d) it develops and enhances infrastructure and/or other facilities in a manner that will attract, create and sustain employment opportunities, and accordingly; be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the action contemplated hereunder is determined a Type II action under SEQRA and that the Mayor of the Village of Pulaski is duly authorized to complete, execute and submit or have submitted Part 1 of the EAF referenced and as well a certified copy of this resolution together with The application for grant funding from the Empire State Development Corporation Restore NY's Communities Initiative Municipal Grant Program in the amount described however in any event not to exceed \$2,000,000 for the project entitled "Pulaski Commercial Corridor Revitalization Project," together with the application fee of \$500.00.

The Mayor and Board members in attendance and voting as follows:

Jan Tighe, Mayor VES
Alan Engelbrekt, Trustee VES
Jeffrey Fowler, Trustee VES
Ryan McGrath, Trustee Absent
Scott Pello, Trustee Absent

Resolution adopted on January 20, 2023

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Catherine Spinney, Village Clerk of the Village of Pulaski, Oswego County, New York, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a special meeting of the Village Board of Trustees held on January 20, 2023 and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting and/or on file and of record, and that said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

