## **Avalon Great Neck SEQR Resolution**

A regular meeting of the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency at 1550 Franklin Avenue, Suite 235, Mineola, Nassau County, New York, on April 10, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

#### PRESENT:

**Timothy Williams** 

John Coumatos

Gary Weiss Christopher Fusco

Michael Rodin

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Secretary

Asst. Secretary

### ABSENT:

John T. Ahern

#### THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL PERSONS WERE PRESENT:

Joseph J. Kearney

Joseph Foarile Colleen Pereira

Nicholas Terzulli

Paul O'Brien, Esq.

Executive Director

Chief Financial Officer

Administrative Director

Director of Business Development Bond/Transaction Counsel

The attached resolution no. 2014-26 was offered by C. Fusco, seconded by J. Coumatos:

#### Resolution No. 2014-26

# RESOLUTION FINDING THAT THE PROPOSED PROJECT OF AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC. IS NOT SUBJECT TO FURTHER REVIEW UNDER THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT.

WHEREAS, the Nassau 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 I 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 674 of the 1975 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 922 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 manufacturing, industrial and commercial 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, AVALONBAY COMMUNITIES, INC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Maryland and qualified to do business as a foreign corporation in the State of New York (the "Applicant"), submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A)(1) the acquisition of an interest in a certain parcel of land located at 240 East Shore Road, Incorporated Village of Great Neck, Town of North Hempstead, County of Nassau, New York (Section: 2; Block: 349; Lots: 9 & 10) (the "Land"), (2) the construction of an approximately 250,000 square foot, six-story building on the Land, including structured parking and other related improvements to the Land (collectively, the "Building"), and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment (the "Equipment"), all of the foregoing for use by the Applicant as a residential rental facility consisting of 191 apartment units, a portion of which shall be affordable housing units (collectively, the "Project Facility"); (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the General Municipal Law) with respect to the foregoing in the form of potential exemptions or partial exemptions from real property taxes, mortgage recording taxes and sales and use taxes; and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase), license or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York, being 6 NYCRR Part 617, et. seq., as amended (the "Regulations" and collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), the Agency must consider whether the Project is an "action" that would require it to satisfy the requirements contained in SEQRA prior to making a final determination whether to undertake the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to SEQRA, to aid the Agency in determining whether the Project is an "action" subject to SEQRA, the Applicant submitted to the Agency: (1) Applicant's Application for Financial Assistance to the Agency dated August 28, 2013; (2) a Full Environmental Assessment Form dated July 15, 2013; (3) Parts 2 and 3 of the Full Environmental Assessment Form completed by the Village Board of the Village of Great Neck, dated January 7, 2014 (collectively the "Project Environmental Documents"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Great Neck (the "Village Board"), as lead agency, undertook a coordinated review of the Project pursuant to SEQRA, and issued a "negative declaration" on January 7, 2014 ("Negative Declaration") concluding that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment and that a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared; and

WHEREAS, the Agency, as an involved agency, upon its independent review of the Project Environmental Documents, now desires to adopt and be bound by the Negative Declaration issued by the Village Board.

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

Section 1. Based upon an independent review and examination of the Project Environmental Documents and upon the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Land and such further investigation of the Project and its environmental effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings with respect to the Project:

- (A) The Project is an Unlisted action;
- (B) The Village Board, acting as lead agency, conducted a coordinated review of the Project and based upon its thorough review of extensive documentation, issued the Negative Declaration, finding that the Project will not result in significant adverse impacts to the environment and that a Draft Environmental Impact Statement is not required;
- (C) The Village Board very carefully considered the full scope of the Project, identified all relevant areas of environmental

concern, took a "hard look" at such areas of concern and made a reasoned elaboration of the basis of its determination;

- (D) It was appropriate that the Village Board issue a negative declaration pursuant to SEQRA for the Project;
- (E) The Agency hereby adopts and agrees to be bound by the Negative Declaration, thus the Project is not subject to further review pursuant to SEQRA.

Section 2. The Chairman, Executive Director and Administrative Director of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Applicant and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 3. 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:

Timothy Williams	VOTING	Aye
John Coumatos	VOTING	_Aye
Gary Weiss	VOTING	Aye
Christopher Fusco	VOTING	Aye
John T. Ahern	<b>EXCUSED</b>	•
Michael Rodin	VOTING	Aye

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.
COUNTY OF NASSAU	)

I, the undersigned [Asst.] Secretary of the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on April 10, 2014, 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 set forth 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 day of April, 2014.

[Asst.] Secretary

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