A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation ("GSPDC") was convened in public session in the second floor ballroom at 431 E. Fayette Street, Suite 375; Syracuse, New York 13202 on January 22, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following directors of the GSPDC were:

PRESENT:

Vito Sciscioli, Chair Julie Cerio, Secretary Patrick Hogan, Vice Chair

**EXCUSED**:

Michael LaFlair, Treasurer El-Java Abdul-Qadir

FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE ALSO PRESENT:

Katelyn Wright

**Executive Director** 

John Sidd

General Counsel

The following resolution was offered by Julie Ceiro, seconded by Patrick Hogan, to wit:

Resolution No.: 5 of 2020

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NONCOMPETIVE SALE OF REAL PROPERTIES

WHEREAS, New York Not-for-Profit Corporation Law Section 1609(d) authorizes the GSPDC to convey, exchange, sell, or transfer any of its interests in, upon or to real property; and

WHEREAS, New York Not-for-Profit Corporation Law Section 1605(i)(5) requires that a sale of real property be approved a majority vote of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, New York Not-for-Profit Corporation Law Section 1609(f) permits the board of directors to delegate to officers and employees the authority to enter into and execute agreements, instruments of conveyance and all other related documents pertaining to the conveyance of real property by the land bank; and

WHEREAS, Section 4(e) of the GSPDC's Disposition of Real and Personal Property Policy (the "Property Disposition Policy") sets forth the following methods by

which the GSDPC is permitted to dispose of its real property: negotiated sale, request for proposals, auction, and noncompetitive sale; and

WHEREAS, Section 4(e)(iv) of the Property Disposition Policy authorizes the GSPDC to sell property to a buyer without first undertaking other methods of disposition when it determines that a benefit to the community will be had by authorizing such sale without competitive procedures for reasons consistent with the GSPDC's mission and purpose and upon a demonstration that the buyer is uniquely qualified to own, develop or otherwise return the property to productive use; and

WHEREAS, all disposals of GSPDC property must be made to qualified buyers pursuant to Section 5 of the Property Disposition Policy; and

WHEREAS, the GSPDC owns certain parcels of real property situate in the County of Onondaga, State of New York and more particularly identified on the Property Sale Information Sheet attached hereto as Schedule A (the "Properties"); and

WHEREAS, the individuals or entities identified on the Property Sale Information Sheet as the buyers (the "Buyers") submitted an offer to purchase the Properties for the prices set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined that a benefit to the community will be had by selling the Properties to the Buyers without competitive procedures for the reasons identified in the Property Sale Information Sheet which are consistent with the GSPDC's mission and purpose; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has also determined that the Buyers are uniquely qualified to return the Properties to productive use for the reasons identified in the Property Sale Information Sheet; and

WHEREAS, the Buyers are qualified buyers pursuant to Section 5 of the Property Disposition Policy; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4(e)(iv) of the Property Disposition Policy, the GSDPC is therefore permitted to sell the Properties to the Buyers without first undertaking other methods of disposition and without competitive procedures; and

WHEREAS, the GSPDC desires to sell the Properties to the Buyers identified on the Property Sale Information Sheet at the prices set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, if noted on the Property Sale Information Sheet, the GSPDC shall require the Buyers to execute and deliver a Development Enforcement Mortgage to ensure that the Buyers fulfill their development and use commitments to the GSPDC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GREATER SYRACUSE PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The recitals above are hereby incorporated into this Resolution as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. The Members of the Board hereby authorize the GSPDC to sell the Properties to the Buyers identified on the Property Sale Information Sheet and authorize the Executive Director to enter into Contracts to Purchase with the GSPDC as Seller and the Buyers as buyer with respect to the Properties. The Contracts to Purchase shall be agreeable in form and content to the Executive Director and GSPDC counsel.

Section 3. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer are each hereby authorized to execute all documents on behalf of the GSPDC which may be necessary or desirable to further the intent of this Resolution and do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution. The Executive Director and the Director of Operations of the GSPDC are each also hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the GSPDC to execute agreements, instruments of conveyance and all other related documents pertaining to the conveyance of real property by the GSPDC.

<u>Section 4</u>. All other officers, employees and agents of the GSPDC are hereby authorized to execute and deliver all such certificates, instruments and documents, to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing Resolution.

<u>Section 5</u>. 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:

Vito SciscioliVOTINGYesPatrick HoganVOTINGYes

Michael LaFlair VOTING <u>Excused</u>

Julie Cerio VOTING <u>Yes</u>

El-Java Abdul-Qadir VOTING Absent

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared and duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK )
COUNTY OF ONONADAGA ) ss.:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Greater Syracuse Property Development Corporation (the "GSPDC"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the directors of GSPDC, including the Resolution contained therein, held on January 22, 2020 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of GSPDC and of such Resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all directors of GSPDC had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respect 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 given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the directors of GSPDC present through 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 GSPDC this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

Julie Cerio, Secretary

#### SCHEDULE A

#### PROPERTY SALE INFORMATION SHEET

# **Property Address and Tax Parcel Number:**

1808 E Fayette Street 037.-01-01.0

## **Buyers' Names:**

New York District Assemblies of God

#### **Purchase Price:**

\$5,318.64 if the church is foreclosed and sold before April 2020

\$5,768.65 if the church is foreclosed and sold after April 2020

### Benefit to the Community Resulting from the Sale:

This sale will:

- Avoid displacing a congregation that has been in place serving this transitional neighborhood for nearly 30 years
- Tax bills will be sent to the District office in the future, not directly to the congregation as they had been in the past, which has the administrative capacity to ensue that they are paid on time and to apply annually for tax-exempt status

# Buyer's Unique Qualifications for Returning the Property to Productive Use:

This congregation has been worshiping at this location on W Fayette Street for nearly 30 years. They have struggled to stay current on their tax payments and not always remembered to annually file for exempt status. Although it was previously owned by the NY District Assemblies of God, the District typically leaves those tasks up to local congregations. This property has not yet been foreclosed upon, but we are seeking the board's approval for a sale so that we won't have to own an occupied church for any length of time. Our plan would be to deed it back to the District on the same day it is foreclosed upon by the City.

Per the board's request, we obtained additional information from the City of Syracuse Department of Finance regarding the amounts owed and payments previously made under a now-defaulted payment plan. On the next page, you can find this detailed information. What's in red was added by me to calculate a proposed sales price that excludes any interest and penalties and compensates for the year(s) that they failed for file for exempt status. Otherwise this information all came from the Finance Department.