

REPORT OF THE GENESEE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY'S PUBLIC HEARING OF VALIANT REAL ESTATE USA INC., HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2021 3:00 P.M. AT THE BATAVIA TOWN HALL, CONFERENCE ROOM, 3833 WEST MAIN STREET ROAD, BATAVIA, NEW YORK, GENESEE COUNTY, NEW YORK

I. <u>ATTENDANCE</u>

Chris Suozzi, Sr. VP of Business & Workforce Development – GCEDC Lauren Casey, Finance Assistant – GCEDC Krista Galdun, Operations Assistant – GCEDC Greg Post, Town of Batavia Supervisor

II. CALL TO ORDER

The public hearing of Valiant Real Estate USA Inc. Project was opened at 3:04 p.m. at Batavia Town Hall, 3833 West Main Street Road, in the Town of Batavia, Genesee County, New York.

A notice of this public hearing describing the project was published in the Batavia Daily News, a copy of which is attached and is an official part of this transcript.

III. PROJECT SUMMARY

Valiant Real Estate USA, Inc. is proposing to build a new 20,000 sq. ft. facility on the corner of Saile Drive and Call Parkway in the town of Batavia.

The project is investing \$4.5 million and is pledging to create 24 FTEs with an average salary range of \$30,000-\$75,000 annually plus benefits.

The project is seeking assistance from the GCEDC in the form of a property tax abatement (\$160,320), a sales tax abatement (\$224,800), and a mortgage tax exemption (\$45,000).

IV. COMMENTS

C. Suozzi began the public hearing by providing a summary of the above-outlined project. He then stated the purpose and guidelines for the public hearing. The purpose of the public hearing is to solicit comments and feedback from the public regarding the proposed incentives on the above outlined project. There were no written comments received ahead of time to be included with the written record.

V. ADJOURNMENT

As there were no written or oral comments, the public hearing was closed at 3:14 p.m.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York General Municipal Law will be held by the Genesee County Industrial Development Agency d/b/a Genesee County Economic Development Center (the "Agency") on Tuesday, October 5, 2021, at 3:00 p.m., local time, at Batavia Town Hall, Conference Room, 3833 West Main Street Road, Batavia, New York, 14020, in connection with the following matter:

Valiant Real Estate USA, Inc., for itself or on behalf of an entity formed or to be formed by it or on its behalf (the "Company") has submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which is on file with the Agency, requesting the Agency's assistance with respect to a certain project (the "Project") consisting of (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in certain real property located at Saile Drive in the Town of Batavia, Genesee County, New York (the "Land", being identified as TMID Nos. 4.-1-60 and 4.-1-25.116), (ii) the planning, design, engineering, construction and operation of an approximately 20,000 square foot facility, consisting of (a) service/repair bays for school buses, (b) office and meeting/training room related space, (c) space for housing school bus related parts, and (d) related site and exterior improvements (collectively, the "Improvements"), and (iii) the acquisition by the Company in and around the Improvements of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, together with the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility").

The Agency will acquire (or retain) title to, or a leasehold interest in, the Facility and lease the Facility back to the Company. The Company will operate the Facility during the term of the lease. At the end of the lease term, the Company will purchase the Facility from the Agency, or if the Agency holds a leasehold interest, the leasehold interest will be terminated. The Agency contemplates that it will provide financial assistance to the Company in the form of sales and use tax exemptions and a mortgage recording tax exemption, consistent with the policies of the Agency, and a partial real property tax abatement (collectively, the "Financial Assistance").

A representative of the Agency will be at the above-stated time and place to present a copy of the Company's project Application and hear and accept written and oral comments from all persons with views in favor of or opposed to or otherwise relevant to the proposed Financial Assistance.

The Agency will provide additional access to the public hearing by broadcasting the public hearing in real time online at https://vimeo.com/ https://vimeo.com/605762858.

Dated: September 21, 2021

GENESEE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY D/B/A GENESEE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER