

NEW YORK STATE URBAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
D/B/A EMPIRE STATE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
GUIDELINES REGARDING DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY

**I. Definitions. As used herein, unless a different meaning is required by the context.**

1. "Contracting officer" shall mean the Procurement Officer who shall be appointed by resolution of the Board of Directors to be responsible for the disposition of property.
2. "Dispose" or "disposal" shall mean transfer of title or any other beneficial interest in personal or real property in accordance with these guidelines.
3. "Property" shall mean personal property in excess of five thousand dollars in value, real property, and any inchoate or other interest in such property, to the extent that such interest may be conveyed to another person for any purpose, excluding an interest securing a loan or other financial obligation of another party.

**II. Duties of the Corporation with respect to guidelines related to the disposal of property.**

1. a. The contracting officer shall be responsible for the Corporation's compliance with, and enforcement of these guidelines.  
  
b. The Corporation's contracting activities shall comply with Title 5-A of the Public Authorities Law, the New York State Urban Development Act (the "Act") and any other applicable law for the disposal of property.  
  
c. These guidelines shall be annually reviewed and approved by the Board of Directors.  
  
d. On or before the thirty-first day of March in each year, the Corporation shall file with the comptroller a copy of the guidelines most recently reviewed and approved by the Corporation, including the name of the Corporation's designated contracting officer. At the time of filing such guidelines with the comptroller, the Corporation shall also post such guidelines on the Corporation's internet website. Guidelines on the Corporation's internet website shall be maintained on such website at least until the procurement guidelines for the following year are posted on such website.
2. Inventory. The Corporation shall:
  - a. maintain adequate inventory controls and accountability systems for all property under its control;

b. periodically inventory such property to determine which property shall be disposed of;

c. produce a written report of such property in accordance with subdivision three of this section;

d. transfer or dispose of such property as promptly as possible in accordance with Section III.

### 3. Reporting

a. The Corporation shall publish, not less frequently than annually, a report listing all real property of the Corporation. Such report shall consist of a list and full description of all real and personal property disposed of during such period. The report shall contain the price received by the Corporation and the name of the purchaser for all such property sold by the Corporation during such period.

b. The Corporation shall delivery copies of such report to the comptroller, the director of the budget, the commissioner of general services, and the legislature.

## **III. Disposal of Corporation's property.**

1. Supervision and direction. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the contracting officer shall have supervision and direction over the disposition of property of the Corporation.

2. Custody and control. The custody and control of the property of the Corporation, pending its disposition, and the disposal of such property, shall be performed by the Corporation or by the commissioner of general services when so authorized under this section.

3. Method of disposition. Subject to Section II of these guidelines, the Corporation may dispose of property for not less than the fair market value of such property by sale, exchange, or transfer, for cash, credit, or other property, with or without warranty, and upon such other terms and conditions as the contracting officer deems proper, and it may execute such documents for the transfer of title or other interest in property and take such other action as it deems necessary or proper to dispose of such property under the provisions of this section. Provided, however, that no disposition of real property, any interest in real property, or any other property which because of its unique nature is not subject to fair market pricing shall be made unless an appraisal of the value of such property has been made by an independent appraiser and included in the record of the transaction.

4. Sales by the commissioner of general services. When it shall be deemed advantageous to the state, the Corporation may enter into an agreement with the commissioner of general services where under such commissioner may dispose of property of the Corporation under terms and conditions agreed to by the Corporation and the commissioner of general services. In disposing of any such property of the Corporation, the commissioner of general services shall be

bound by the terms of this title and references to the contracting officer shall be deemed to refer to such commissioner.

5. Validity of deed, bill of sale, lease or other instrument. A deed, bill of sale, lease, or other instrument executed by or on behalf of the Corporation, purporting to transfer title or any other interest in property under these guidelines shall be conclusive evidence of compliance with the provisions of these guidelines insofar as concerns title or other interest of any bona fide grantee or transferee who has given valuable consideration for such title or other interest and has not received actual or constructive notice of lack of such compliance prior to the closing.

6. Bids for disposal; advertising; procedure; disposal by negotiation; explanatory statement.

a. all disposals or contracts for disposal of property of the Corporation made or authorized by the contracting officer shall be made after publicly advertising for bids except as provided in paragraph c of this subdivision.

b. Whenever public advertising for bids is required under paragraph a of this subdivision:

(i) the advertisement for bids shall be made at such time prior to the disposal or contract, through such methods, and on such terms and conditions as shall permit full and free competition consistent with the value and nature of the property;

(ii) all bids shall be publicly disclosed at the time and place stated in the advertisement; and

(iii) the award shall be made with reasonable promptness by notice to the responsible bidder whose bid, conforming to the invitation for bids, will be most advantageous to the state, price and other factors considered; provided, that all bids may be rejected when it is in the public interest to do so.

c. Disposals and contracts for disposal of property may be negotiated or made by public auction without regard to paragraphs a and b of this subdivision but subject to obtaining such competition as is feasible under the circumstances, if:

(i) the personal property involved is of a nature and quantity which, if disposed of under paragraphs a and b of this subdivision, would adversely affect the state or local market for such property, and the estimated fair market value of such property and other satisfactory terms of disposal can be obtained by negotiation;

(ii) the fair market value of the property does not exceed fifteen thousand dollars;

(iii) bid prices after advertising therefore are not reasonable, either as to all or some part of the property, or have not been independently arrived at in open competition;

(iv) the disposal will be to the state or any political subdivision, and the fair market value of the property and other satisfactory terms of disposal are obtained by negotiation;

(v) the disposal is for an amount less than the estimated fair market value of the property, the terms of such disposal are obtained by public auction or negotiation, the disposal of the property is intended to further the public health, safety or welfare or an economic development interest of the state or a political subdivision (to include but not limited to, the prevention or remediation of a substantial threat to public health or safety, the creation or retention of a substantial number of job opportunities, or the creation or retention of a substantial source of revenues, or where the Act permits), the purpose and the terms of such disposal are documented in writing and approved by resolution of the board of the Corporation; or

(vi) such action is otherwise authorized by law.

d. (i) An explanatory statement shall be prepared of the circumstances of each disposal by negotiation of:

(A) any personal property which has an estimated fair market value in excess of fifteen thousand dollars;

(B) any real property that has an estimated fair market value in excess of one hundred thousand dollars, except that any real property disposed of by lease or exchange shall only be subject to clauses (C) through (E) of this subparagraph;

(C) any real property disposed of by lease for a term of five years or less, if the estimated fair annual rent is in excess of one hundred thousand dollars for any of such years;

(D) any real property disposed of by lease for a term of more than five years, if the total estimated rent over the term of the lease is in excess of one hundred thousand dollars; or

(E) any real property or real and related personal property disposed of by exchange, regardless of value or any property any part of the consideration for which is real property.

(ii) Each such statement shall be transmitted to the persons entitled to receive copies of the report required under section II of these guidelines not less than ninety days in advance of such disposal, and a copy thereof shall be preserved in the files of the Corporation.

e. For purposes of Section c(ii), (v) and Section d of this paragraph 6 when an appraisal is not feasible or practical, fair market value shall be determined by the board of directors based on the recommendation of the contracting officer. In making such recommendation, the contracting officer shall make due inquiry of values of comparable property including, as appropriate, geographic location, use, occupancy, condition, obsolescence, outstanding debts, taxes and liens and intended future use.

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