

FOR CONSIDERATION

October 21, 2010

TO: The Directors

FROM: Dennis M. Mullen

SUBJECT: Discretionary Projects Consent Calendar

REQUEST FOR: Findings and Determinations Pursuant to Sections of the Act; Authorization to Make Grants and to Take Related Actions

Attached are summaries of discretionary projects requesting ESDC assistance of \$100,000 and under in the following categories:

Empire State Economic Development Fund

	Project Name	Proj #	Grantee	Assistance up to
	Competitiveness Improvement Services - Global Export Market Service Project			
A.	North Country Chamber – GEMS – Farnborough Show	X115	Plattsburg-North Country Chamber of Commerce	\$35,000
			Sub-total	\$35,000

	Competitiveness Improvement Services – Tourism Destination Project			
B.	Beekmantown Welcome Center	X191	Adirondack Regional Tourism Council, Inc.	\$75,000
			Sub-total	\$75,000

	General Development Financing Projects			
C.	Allred & Associates Capital	W777	Allred & Associates	\$35,000
D.	Maco Bag Capital	W522	Maco Bag Corporation	65,000
E.	Melita Corp. MAP Capital	X101	Melita Corp.	100,000
F.	Twin Marquis MAP Capital	X038	Twin Marquis, Inc.	100,000
			Sub-total	\$300,000

			TOTAL	\$410,000
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The provision of ESD** financial assistance is contingent upon the availability of funds and the approval of the State Division of the Budget.

**The New York State Urban Development Corporation doing business as the Empire State Development Corporation ("ESD" or the "Corporation")

Environmental Review

Unless otherwise noted on a project summary, ESD staff has determined that the projects constitute Type II actions as defined by the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act and the implementing regulations for the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. No further environmental review is required in connection with the projects.

Affirmative Action

ESD's Non-Discrimination and Affirmative Action policy will apply to the projects. In the case of training, global export market service and productivity improvement projects, the grantees and/or the beneficiary companies, as applicable, are encouraged to provide for the meaningful participation of minorities and women in any job or training opportunities created by the projects and to solicit and utilize Minority and Women-owned Businesses for any contractual opportunities generated in connection with the projects.

For all other projects, unless otherwise noted on a project summary, grantees agree to use their best efforts to include minorities and women in any job opportunities created by the projects and to solicit and utilize Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises for any contractual opportunities generated in connection with the projects.

Reallocation of Funds

ESD may reallocate each project's funds to another form of assistance, at an amount no greater than the amount approved, for the same project if ESD determines that the reallocation of the assistance would better serve the needs of the recipient and the state of New York. In no event shall the total amount of any assistance to be so reallocated exceed the total amount of assistance approved by the Directors.

ESD Employment Enforcement Policy

Unless otherwise noted on a project summary, the ESD Employment Enforcement Policy will not apply because these projects do not directly create jobs.

Statutory Basis

A. Empire State Economic Development Fund

Please see individual project summaries for factual bases for items 1, 2 and 3.

1. Each proposed project would promote the economic health of New York State by facilitating the creation or retention of jobs or would increase activity within a municipality or region of the State or would enhance or help to maintain the economic viability of family farms.
2. Each proposed project would be unlikely to take place in New York State without the requested assistance.
3. Each proposed project is reasonably likely to accomplish its stated objectives and the likely benefits of the project exceed costs.
4. The requirements of Section 10(g) of the Act are satisfied.
No residential relocation is required in connection with any project involving the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or improvement of property because no families or individuals reside on the sites.

B. Other Funding Programs

Please see individual project summaries for statutory basis.

Attachments

New York State Map

Resolutions

Project Summaries

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Empire State Economic Development Fund -- Findings and Determinations Pursuant to Sections 16-m and 10 (g) of the Act; Authorization to Make Grants and to Take Related Actions

RESOLVED, that on the basis of the materials presented to this meeting, a copy of which is hereby ordered filed with the records of the Corporation, relating to the Empire State Economic Development Fund Projects identified below (the "Projects"), the Corporation hereby determines pursuant to Section 16-m and 10 (g) of the New York State Urban Development Corporation Act of 1968, as amended (the "Act"), that

1. The Projects would promote the economic health of New York State by facilitating the creation or retention of jobs or would increase activity within a municipality or region of the State or would enhance or help to maintain the economic viability of family farms.
2. The Projects would be unlikely to take place in New York State without the requested assistance.
3. The Projects are reasonably likely to accomplish their stated objectives and the likely benefits of the project exceed costs.
4. There are no families or individuals to be displaced from the project area(s); and be it further

RESOLVED, that with respect to the Projects listed below, the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation or her designee(s) be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to make grants to the parties and for the amounts listed below from the Empire State Economic Development Fund, for the purposes and substantially on the terms and conditions set forth in the materials presented to this meeting, with such changes as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation or her designee(s) may deem appropriate, subject to the availability of funds and the approval of the State Division of the Budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation or her designee(s) be, subsequent to the making of the grants, and each of them hereby is, authorized to take such actions and make such modifications to the terms of the grants as he or she may deem necessary or appropriate in the administration of the grants; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the provision of ESD financial assistance is expressly contingent upon: (1) the approval of the Public Authorities Control Board, if applicable, and (2) receipt of all other necessary approvals;

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RESOLVED, that the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation or her designee(s) be, and each of them hereby is, authorized in the name and on behalf of the Corporation to execute and deliver any and all documents and to take all actions as he or she may in his or her sole discretion consider to be necessary or proper to effectuate the foregoing resolutions.

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Empire State Economic Development Fund -- Findings and Determinations Pursuant to Sections 16-m and 10(g) of the Act; Authorization to Adopt the Proposed General Project Plan; Authorization to Make a Grant and to Take Related Actions

RESOLVED, that on the basis of the materials presented to this meeting, a copy of which is hereby ordered filed with the records of the Corporation, relating to the Empire State Economic Development Fund Project identified below (the "Project"), the Corporation hereby determines pursuant to Section 16-m of the New York State Urban Development Corporation Act of 1968, as amended (the "Act"), that

1. The Project would promote the economic health of New York State by facilitating the creation or retention of jobs or would increase activity within a municipality or region of the State or would enhance or help to maintain the economic viability of family farms.
2. The Project would be unlikely to take place in New York State without the requested assistance.
3. The Project is reasonably likely to accomplish its stated objectives and the likely benefits of the project exceed costs.
4. There are no families or individuals to be displaced from the project area(s); and be it further

RESOLVED, that with respect to the General Development Financing Capital Project, the Corporation does hereby adopt, subject to the requirements of Section 16(2) of the Act, the proposed General Project Plan (the "Plan") for the Project submitted to this meeting, together with such changes therein as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation or her designee(s) may deem appropriate, a copy of which Plan, together with such changes, are hereby ordered filed with the records of the Corporation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that upon written finding of the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation or her designee(s), that no substantive negative testimony or comment has been received at the public hearings held on the Plan, such Plan shall be effective at the conclusion of such hearings, and that upon such written findings being made, the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation or her designee(s) be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to make a grant to the party and for the amount listed below from the Empire State Economic Development Fund, for the purposes, and substantially on the terms and conditions, set forth in the materials presented to this meeting, with such changes as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation or her designee(s) may deem appropriate, subject to the availability of funds and the approval of the State Division of the Budget; and be it further

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