## SOUTHOLD LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

# POLICY ON DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY OF THE AGENCY (Adopted by the Corporation November 7, 2014)

The members of the Southold Local Development Corporation (the "Corporation") have adopted this Policy on Disposition of Property of the Corporation.

#### INTRODUCTION.

While it is not the present intention of the Corporation to acquire Property (defined below), the Public Authorities Accountability Act of 2005 requires a local authority to adopt by resolution comprehensive Guidelines (defined below) which detail the local authority's operative policy and instructions regarding the use, awarding, monitoring and reporting of contracts for the Disposal of Property and designate a Contracting Officer with responsibility for compliance with, and enforcement of, these Guidelines. The Corporation hereby determines to adopt these Guidelines to regulate the disposal of Property by the Corporation.

The Corporation shall Dispose of its Property in accordance with these Guidelines and other applicable laws, including the Act and the NFP Law.

These Guidelines are established to ensure that the Corporation shall:

- (i) maintain adequate inventory controls and accountability systems for all Property owned by the Corporation and under its control;
- (ii) periodically inventory such Property to determine which Property shall be Disposed of;
- (iii) produce a written report of such Property in accordance with the Act and the other and further provisions of these Guidelines; and
  - (iv) dispose of such Property as promptly as possible in accordance with the Act.

# **DEFINITIONS**

As used herein, the following terms shall have the meaning set forth below.

"Act" shall mean Title 5-A of the New York Public Authorities Law, as amended from time to time.

"Commissioner of General Services" shall mean the Commissioner of the New York State Office of General Services.

"Contracting Officer" shall mean the officer or employee of the Corporation who shall be appointed by Corporation resolution to be responsible for the Disposal of Property.

"Dispose" or "Disposal" shall mean transfer of title or any other beneficial interest in Property in accordance with these Guidelines and Section 2897 of the Public Authorities Law, as amended from time to time.

"Guidelines" shall mean these Guidelines, as amended from time to time by Corporation resolution.

"NFP Law" shall mean Title 37 of the New York Not-For-Profit Corporation Law, as amended from time to time.

"Property" shall mean personal property in excess of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) in value, and 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. For purposes of these Guidelines, Property shall not include the interest granted to the Corporation in any project in connection with the provision of "financial assistance" to the extent that such project and the interest granted to the Corporation secure the project occupant's obligations to the Corporation or any indebtedness obtained by or on behalf of the project occupant.

## **DUTIES OF CONTRACTING OFFICER.**

Except as otherwise provided herein and in the Act, the Contracting Officer shall have supervision and direction over the Disposal of Property of the Corporation and be responsible for compliance by the Corporation with, and enforcement of, these Guidelines. The Corporation shall have the right to Dispose of its Property for any valid corporate purpose.

# AGENCY PROPERTY.

Custody and Control of Corporation Property.

The custody and control of Corporation Property, pending its Disposal, and the Disposal of such Property, shall be performed by the Corporation or by the Commissioner of General Services when so authorized under the Act and these Guidelines.

Disposal of Corporation Property.

<u>Fair Market Value</u>. The Corporation may Dispose of its Property for not less than its fair market value by sale, exchange, or transfer, for cash, credit, or other property, with or without warranty, and upon such other terms and conditions as the Corporation by resolution deems proper under the Act and the NFP Law as implemented by these Guidelines, provided, however, except in compliance with all applicable law, 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 Corporation's record of the transaction.

## Public Advertising Required.

All Disposals or contracts for Disposal of Property of the Corporation shall be made after publicly advertising for bids except as provided in the following section.

Whenever public advertising for bids is required under these Guidelines:

- (i) the advertisement for bids shall be made at such time prior to the Disposal or contract for Disposal through such methods, and on such terms and conditions as the Contracting Officer determines will permit full and free competition consistent with the value and nature of the Corporation's Property proposed for Disposal;
- (ii) all bids shall be publicly disclosed at the time and place stated in the advertisement; and
- (iii) the award shall be made by the Contracting Officer on behalf of the Corporation with reasonable promptness by notice to the responsible bidder whose bid, conforming to the invitation for bids, will be most advantageous to the Corporation taking into consideration, price and other factors; provided that all bids may be rejected when the Corporation determines it is in the public interest to do so.

## Exception to Public Advertising.

Disposals and contracts for Disposal of Property may be negotiated or made by public auction without regard to the preceding section but subject to obtaining such competition as the Contracting Officer determines to be feasible under the circumstances, if:

- (i) the personal property involved is of a nature and quantity which, if Disposed of under the preceding section, 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 in the opinion of the Board be obtained by negotiation; or
- (ii) the fair market value of the Property does not exceed \$15,000; or
- (iii) bid prices after advertising therefor are not reasonable, either as to all or some part of the Property, or have not been independently arrived at in open competition; or
- (iv) the Disposal will be to the State or any political subdivision and the estimated fair market value of the Property and other satisfactory terms of Disposal are obtained by negotiation; or
- (v) (a) the Disposal is for an amount less than the estimated fair market value of the Property; and

- (b) the terms of such Disposal are obtained by public auction or negotiation; and
- (c) the Disposal of the Property is intended to further the public health, safety or welfare or an economic development interest of the Corporation, the Town or the State (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); and
- (d) the purpose and the terms of such Disposal are documented in writing and approved by resolution of the Corporation; or
- (vi) such action is otherwise authorized by law.

An explanatory statement shall be prepared by the Contracting Officer of the circumstances of each Disposal by negotiation of:

- (i) any personal property which has an estimated fair market value in excess of \$15.000:
- (ii) any real property that has an estimated fair market value in excess of \$100,000, except that any real property Disposed of by lease or exchange shall only be subject to clauses (iii) through (v) of this subparagraph;
- (iii) 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 \$100,000 for any of such years;
- (iv) 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 \$100,000; or
- (v) 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.

Each such explanatory statement shall be transmitted to the Comptroller of the State, the Director of Budget of the State, the Commissioner of General Services and the New York Legislature, not less than ninety (90) days in advance of such Disposal, and a copy thereof shall be retained in the files of the Corporation.

## REPORTS.

The Corporation shall publish, not less frequently than annually, a report listing all Property of the Corporation. The audited financial statements of the Corporation may constitute such report so long as the Corporation holds no Property other than moneys or securities as of the date of the report. If the Corporation does then own Property other than moneys or securities, the Corporation shall prepare a separate report which shall consist of a list and full

description of all Property Disposed of during such period, the price received by the Corporation and the name of the purchaser for all such Property Disposed of by the Corporation during such period.

The Corporation shall deliver copies of such report to the Comptroller of the State of New York, the Director of the Budget of State of New York, the Commissioner of the New York State Office of General Services, and the New York State Legislature.

## ANNUAL REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS OF GUIDELINES.

The Guidelines are subject to modification and amendment at the discretion of the Corporation in accordance with the Act. On or before March 31 of each year, the Corporation shall review and approve the Guidelines annually including the name of the Contracting Officer. On or before March 31<sup>st</sup> of each year, the Guidelines most recently reviewed and approved shall be filed with the Comptroller of the State, posted on the Corporation's website and maintained on the Corporation's website until guidelines for the following year or amended guidelines are posted.