## NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN-PERSON AND TELEPHONIC BOARD MEETING AGENDA

July 17, 2024, at 10:00 AM

NJEDA Board Room – 36 West State Street, Trenton, NJ 08625

PUBLIC DIAL-IN NUMBER: 877-692-8955 ACCESS CODE: 4204420

- 1. NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES
- 4. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS
- 5. CEO'S REPORT TO THE BOARD
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 7. REAL ESTATE

## ITEM: Creation of Real Estate Gap Financing Grant Program

**REQUEST:** To approve: (1) the cancelation of the Construction Inflation Fund Pilot Program and return of application fees to 15 applicants; (2) the creation of the Real Estate Gap Financing Grant Program, a pilot grant program utilizing SLFRF funding to provide grants for real estate development projects located in distressed municipalities that require gap financing and that address negative economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic; and, (3) delegation to the Authority's CEO to amend or enter into a new a Memorandum of Understanding with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

#### 8. ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION

# ITEM: Strategic Innovation Center Investment in NJ FAST powered by Plug and Play Program

**REQUEST:** To approve (1) funding, including investment, operating expenses and rent expense to form NJ FAST. The Authority will invest into a partnership with Plug and Play to establish and operate NJ FAST, which includes both an investment fund and an accelerator program in Hoboken, New Jersey. The Program will utilize funds appropriated to the Economic Relief Fund (ERF) to undertake development of or invest in Strategic Innovation Centers following the policy approved by the Board on July 15, 2021; (2) An administrative fee of 4.5% of the project, to NJEDA plus associated Authority legal costs; and (3) Authorization to the CEO to execute the definitive documents, subject to the review of the New Jersey Attorney General's office.

#### ITEM: 2024 NJ Founders and Funders All-Stars Program Award

**REQUEST:** To approve the creation and implementation of a 2024 New Jersey Founders & Funders All-Stars pitch competition and startup and investor meetup event and related grant award. Following the event, the Authority will open an application for grant funding and will award one \$100,000 grant to an eligible applicant that received the highest score recommendation at the pitch competition event among eligible applicants.

# ITEM: New Jersey Innovation Evergreen Fund: July 2024 Qualified Investment Approval: ManyMoons Co.

**REQUEST:** To approve a Qualified Investment under the New Jersey Innovation Evergreen Program for an application submitted by Bullpen Management LLC to invest into ManyMoons Co.

#### ITEM: Newark Venture Partners III, L.P. Venture Fund Investment

**REQUEST:** Approval is requested under the Authority's Venture Fund investment program policy to make a limited partnership investment in Newark Venture Partners III, L.P. and an Affiliate Fund for an aggregate amount of the lesser of up to 6% of total committed capital to NVP III.

#### 9. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

## ITEM: Award of Activation, Revitalization and Transformation (ART) Real Estate Grant

**REQUEST:** To approve grant award to an Atlantic City real estate project.

## ITEM: Atlantic City Revitalization Grant Award - 114 S New York Ave LLC

**REQUEST:** To approve a grant award to 114 S New York Ave LLC under the Atlantic City Revitalization Grant Program.

## ITEM: Atlantic City Revitalization Grant Award - LPMG Management Co.

**REQUEST:** To approve a grant award to LPMG Management Co under the Atlantic City Revitalization Grant Program.

## ITEM: Proposed Main Street Recovery Finance Program Fee Rule Amendments

**REQUEST:** To approve the proposed rule amendments to the existing Main Street Recovery Finance Program fee rule (N.J.A.C. 19:31E-1.6) and authorize staff to (a) submit for promulgation in the New Jersey Register and (b) submit as final adopted rules for promulgation in the New Jersey Register if no substantive comments are received, subject to final review and approval by the Office of the Attorney General and the Office of Administrative Law.

#### **MOU**

## ITEM: Memorandum of Understanding between NJEDA and Rutgers University for ESOP Education and Outreach

**REQUEST:** To approve: (1) Entering into a MOU with Rutgers University School of Management and Labor Relations (SMLR) for consulting services to design materials, host informational sessions, perform outreach for a public educational campaign and forthcoming Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) Feasibility Study Services Program for the term of two years; (2) approve funding in Wealth Disparities Initiatives funds, authorized in the Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations Act (P.L.2023, c.74) signed in June 2023, to fund the work to be completed under the Scope of Work, and additional funding for possible additional work needed, as determined by the CEO under delegated authority.

#### 10. <u>INCENTIVES</u>

### **ASPIRE**

ITEM: SWPN 479 Clinton Avenue LLC

**REQUEST:** To approve Issuance of tax credits from the Aspire program for a health services center project located in Newark, New Jersey, Essex County up to 60% of the total project cost.

#### FILM & DIGITAL MEDIA TAX CREDIT

ITEM: Film and Digital Media Tax Credit Program –Certification of Unused or Unredeemed Credits in SFY2024 and Increase to SFY2025

**REQUEST:** To approve: (1) The certification of unused or unredeemed legacy film tax credits for SFY2024 which will increase the legacy film tax credits available for SFY2025; (2) The certification of unused or unredeemed studio partner film tax credits for SFY2024 which will increase the studio partner film tax credits available for SFY2025; (3) The certification of unused or unredeemed film-lease production company film tax credits for SFY2024 which will increase the film-lease film tax credits available for SFY2025; (4) The certification of unused or unredeemed digital media tax credits for SFY2024 which will increase the digital tax credits available for SFY2025.

### **DIGITAL MEDIA TAX CREDIT PROGRAM**

NFL Productions, LLC	PROD-00315010
TELEF ALEGERIA OF MALE CONTINUES AS SECOND	

MAX AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS: \$8,056,258

NFL Productions, LLC	ROD-00315011
----------------------	--------------

MAX AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS: \$11,062,354

NFL Productions, LLC PROD-00315012

MAX AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS: \$9,498,197

NFL Productions, LLC PROD-00315014

MAX AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS: \$10,995,757

NFL Productions, LLC PROD-00315015

MAX AMOUNT OF TAX CREDITS: \$11,762,175

#### 11. AUTHORITY MATTERS

ITEM: Application Fee Waiver for New Jersey Green Workforce Training Grant Challenge

**REQUEST:** To approve the amendment of the NJ Green Workforce Training Grant Challenge to waive application fees and utilize the available administrative funding through the Green Council MOU to implement the Grant Challenge that was approved by the Board on April 10, 2024.

ITEM: Special Counsel: Executive Order 52 (Murphy 2019), Attorney General Investigation, Holtec and Other Legal Actions – Amendment to Retention Agreement with Friedman, Kaplan, Seiler, and Adelman, LLP

**REQUEST:** To approve additional contract funding due to ongoing need for representation related to the subject legal matters.

#### 12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

## 13. BOARD MEMORANDA

#### **FYI ONLY**

- Compliance MOUs Approved under Delegated Authority (July 1, 2023 June 2024)
- Legal Affairs Delegated Authority Report 2023-2024
- Infrastructure Department Delegated Authority Approvals Through May 2024
- Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) Applications Approved Under Delegated Authority Q2 2024
- Petroleum Underground Storage Tank Applications (PUST) Approved Under Delegated Authority – Q2 2024
- Credit Underwriting Projects Approved Under Delegated Authority
- Real Estate Division Delegated Authority for Leases and Right of Entry (ROE)/ Licenses for Second Quarter 2024