

**BY-LAWS**

**OF**

**SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.**

Adopted on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014

Amended December 20, 2016

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**ARTICLE I - THE CORPORATION**

**SECTION 1. - NAME.**

The Corporation shall be known as “SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.” (hereinafter, the “Corporation”), as established within that certain Certificate of Incorporation establishing the Corporation as filed with the New York Secretary of State on May 29, 2014 (the “Certificate”).

**SECTION 2. - OFFICES.**

The principal office of the Corporation shall be located in the County of Saratoga, New York (the “County”). The Corporation may also have offices at such other places within the State of New York as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine or the activities of the Corporation may require.

**SECTION 3. - PURPOSES.**

The Corporation shall have such purposes as are now or hereafter set forth in its Certificate of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE II - MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1. - COMPOSITION OF MEMBERSHIP.**

The sole Member of the Corporation shall be the County of Saratoga, acting by and through its Board of Supervisors. The Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions contained herein.

**SECTION 2. - RIGHTS AND POWERS OF THE MEMBERS.**

The Member shall have and exercise all the rights and powers of corporate membership created by the laws of the State of New York, the Certificate of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the Corporation.

SECTION 3. - ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBER

The Member shall hold an annual meeting of the Member within six months after the end of each fiscal year at a convenient time and place designated by the Member. At the annual meeting, the Member shall appoint Directors pursuant to Article III hereof for positions where a new directorship is created or the term of a Director has expired, receive the annual report and transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

SECTION 4. - ANNUAL REPORT TO THE MEMBERS.

At the annual meeting of the Member, the Directors or designated officer of the Corporation shall present an annual report showing in appropriate detail the following information:

- (a) A complete audited financial statement of the Corporation for the fiscal year immediately preceding the date of the report showing the assets and liabilities, principal changes in assets and liabilities, revenue, receipts, expenses and disbursements of the Corporation; and
- (b) A summary of the activities of the Corporation during the preceding year.

The annual report shall be filed with the minutes of the annual meeting.

SECTION 5. - SPECIAL MEETINGS OF THE MEMBER.

Special meetings of the Member may be called at any time. Such request shall state the purpose or purposes for the proposed meeting. Business transacted at a special meeting shall be confined to the purposes stated in the notice of such special meeting; provided, however, if by unanimous consent of the Board of the Member present at such meeting elect to transact business not previously described in the aforementioned notice, then the Member may transact such other business.

SECTION 6. - PLACE OF MEETINGS; ORGANIZATION

All membership meetings shall be held at the principal office of the Member or at such other convenient location as may be determined by the Member. At each membership meeting, the Chairman of the Member shall preside. The Secretary, or, in his or her absence, a person chosen by the Member, shall keep complete and accurate minutes of the meeting.

SECTION 7. - NOTICE OF MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS; WAIVERS

(a) Notice of each membership meeting shall state the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, the place, date and time of the meeting and, unless it is the annual meeting, shall indicate that it is being issued by or at the direction of the person or persons calling the meeting. Such notice shall be given either personally, by mail or e-mail to each Supervisor of the Member not less than ten (10) nor more than fifty (50) days before the date of the meeting. If mailed, the notice is given when deposited in the United States mail, with postage thereon

prepaid, directed to a Supervisor at his or her address as it appears on the record of Member or, if he or she shall have filed with the Secretary a written request that notices be mailed to some other address, then directed to such other address.

(b) Formal notice of meeting need not be given to a Member if he or she executes a waiver of notice, either before or after the meeting. The attendance of a Supervisor of the Member at a meeting, without protesting prior to the conclusion of the meeting the lack of notice of such meeting, shall constitute a waiver of notice.

#### SECTION 8. – QUORUM OF MEMBERS

(a) The presence of at least a majority by weighted vote of the Supervisors of the Member shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any annual or special membership meeting.

(b) A majority by weighted vote of the Supervisors of the Member present at a meeting, whether or not a quorum is present, may adjourn any membership meeting to another time and place. Notice of the time and place of holding an adjourned meeting need not be given to absent Supervisors of the Member if the time and place is announced at the meeting adjourned.

#### SECTION 9. - ACTION BY THE MEMBERS

(a) Each Supervisor of the Member shall be entitled to their respective weighted vote on each matter properly submitted to the Members for action at any meeting of the Member. Unless otherwise required by law or these By-Laws, the vote of a majority by weighted vote of the Supervisors of the Member present at the time of a vote at a duly convened meeting, provided a quorum is then present, shall be the act of the Member.

#### SECTION 10. - PROPERTY RIGHTS OF MEMBERS

The Member shall not have any rights or interests in or to the property or assets of the Corporation.

### **ARTICLE III - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### SECTION 1. - POWER OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

The Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors, which shall establish all general policies governing its operations.

#### SECTION 2. - NUMBER, ELECTION AND TERM OF DIRECTORS.

(a) The number of Directors shall be not less than seven nor more than fifteen as established within the Certificate. The Directors shall be appointed by the Member. The Directors shall exercise all rights of Directors as described herein and in the Certificate or any applicable resolution. Any subsequent increase or decrease in the size of the Board of Directors will require the approval of the Member and majority of the Directors. As used in these By-laws, “the entire Board of Directors” means the total number of appointed Directors of the Corporation at the time of action by the Board.

(b) All Directors shall serve at the pleasure of the Member.

(c) The Chief Executive Officer, as defined herein, may serve on the Board of Directors of the Corporation; provided, however, in such event, shall not participate in determining the level of compensation or reimbursement, or time and attendance rules for the position of Chairman/Chief Executive Officer.

(d) All Directors of the Board shall participate in training approved by the State of New York regarding their legal, fiduciary, financial and ethical responsibilities as Directors within one (1) year of appointment to the Board. Thereafter, the Directors shall participate in such continuing training as may be required to remain informed of best practices, regulatory and statutory changes relating to the effective oversight of the management and financial activities of the Corporation and the adhere to the highest standards of responsible governance.

(e) As soon as practicable and in compliance with Section 2825 of the Public Authorities Law, the majority of the Directors shall be Independent Directors, as such term is defined in paragraph (f) below.

(f) Independence. For the purposes of these By-Laws, an Independent Director means any person who:

(i) is not, and in the past two (2) years has not been, employed by the Corporation or another corporate body having the same ownership and control of the Corporation in an executive capacity;

(ii) is not, and in the past two (2) years has not been, employed by an entity that received remuneration valued at more than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) for goods and services provided to the Corporation or received any other form of financial assistance valued at more than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) from the Corporation;

(iii) is not a relative of an executive officer or employee in an executive position of the Corporation or another corporate body having the same ownership and control of the Corporation; and

(iv) is not, and in the past two (2) years has not been, a lobbyist registered under a state or local law and paid by a client to influence the management decisions,

contract awards, rate determinations or any other similar actions of the Corporation or another corporate body having the same ownership and control of the Corporation.

(g) Board Offices. A Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary shall be elected from among the Directors of the Board at the organizational meeting and subsequent annual meetings of the Board of Directors. The term of office for the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary shall extend for one year after his or her election and until a successor is elected. The Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary shall be eligible to serve no more than two (2) ~~an unlimited number of~~ consecutive terms.

### SECTION 3. - RESIGNATIONS AND REMOVAL OF DIRECTORS.

(a) Any Director of the Corporation may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Member and the Chairman, with a copy provided to the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein or, if no time is specified, then on delivery. Acceptance of the resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

(b) Any Director may be removed from the Board with or without cause by the Member or for cause by vote of a majority of the Directors provided there is a quorum of not less than a majority of the entire Board present.

### SECTION 4. - NEWLY CREATED DIRECTORSHIPS AND VACANCIES.

Newly created directorships resulting from an increase in the number of Directors shall be filled as described in the resolution of the Member approving such increase. Newly created directorships resulting from any vacancies occurring for any reason shall be filled by the Member. In each case, such appointments shall be made as soon as practicable but in no event later than sixty (60) days after the increase or vacancy occurs. A Director appointed to fill a vacancy caused by resignation, death, disability or removal shall hold office for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor in office and until a successor is appointed and takes office.

### SECTION 5. - ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held after the annual meeting of the Members of the Corporation described in Article II, Section 3 above at a convenient time and location designated by the Board. Written notice of the annual meeting shall be mailed or delivered to each Director of the Corporation prior to the meeting.

### SECTION 6. - ANNUAL REPORT.

A Director designated by the Members or the Chief Executive Officer and the Treasurer shall present at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors a copy of the annual report described in Article II, Section 4 above.

### SECTION 7. - SPECIAL MEETINGS AND NOTICE.

Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called at any time by a majority of Directors or by the Chief Executive Officer or any other officer of the Corporation. Written notice shall be mailed or delivered to each Director of the Corporation prior to the meeting. Said notice shall state the purposes, time and place of the special meeting and that no business other than that specified in the notice may be transacted; provided, however, if by unanimous consent all of the Directors present at such meeting elect to transact business not previously described in the aforementioned notice, then the Directors may transact such other business.

#### SECTION 8. - WAIVERS OF NOTICE.

Notice of a meeting need not be given to any Director who submits a signed waiver of notice whether before or after the meeting, or who attends the meeting without protesting, prior thereto or at its commencement, the lack of notice to him or her.

#### SECTION 9. - PLACE OF MEETINGS.

The Board of Directors may hold its meetings at such place or places within or outside the State of New York as the Directors may from time to time by resolution determine.

#### SECTION 10. – OPEN MEETINGS

The Corporation is subject to Open Meetings Law, the Corporation shall comply with the Open Meetings Law of the State of New York, as set forth within Article 7 of the Public Officers Law.

#### SECTION 11. – FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

The Corporation is subject to Freedom of Information Law, the Corporation shall comply with the Freedom of Information Law of the State of New York, as set forth within Article 6 of the Public Officers Law.

#### SECTION 12. – PUBLIC AUTHORITIES ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

The Corporation is subject to the Public Authorities Accountability Act of 2005, as amended by Chapter 506 of the Laws of 2009 (collectively, the “PAAA”) and shall comply with the PAAA, as set forth within the New York State Public Authorities Law.

#### SECTION 13. – STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT

Upon the determination of the Board of Directors to do business within the State of New York, the Corporation shall comply with the State Environmental Quality Review Act, as set forth within Article 8 of the New York Environmental Conservation Law.

#### SECTION 14. - QUORUM AND ADJOURNED MEETINGS.

(a) A majority of the entire Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at meetings of the Board. When a quorum is once present to organize a meeting, it shall not be broken by the subsequent withdrawal of any Director(s).

(b) A majority of the Directors present, whether or not a quorum is present, may adjourn any Board meeting to another time and place. If a quorum is present at the adjourned meeting, any business may be transacted that might have been transacted on the original date of the meeting. Notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given to all Directors.

#### SECTION 15. - ACTION BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Any corporate action to be taken by the Board of Directors means action at a meeting of the Board. Each Director shall have one vote regarding any corporate action to be taken by the Board. Except as otherwise provided by law or these By-Laws, the vote of a majority of the Directors present at the time of the vote at a duly convened meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Board of Directors. All references to actions of the Board of Directors herein and in the Certificate of Incorporation shall mean the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors present at the time of the vote at a duly convened meeting at which a quorum is present.

#### SECTION 16. - ORGANIZATION.

At each meeting of the Board of Directors, the Chairperson, or, in his or her absence, the Vice-Chairperson shall preside. The Secretary, or, in his or her absence, a person chosen by a majority of the Directors present, shall keep complete and accurate minutes of the meeting.

#### SECTION 17. - ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS.

Attendance at each meeting of the Board shall be recorded by the Secretary or the designated Director in the minutes thereof.

#### SECTION 18. - COMPENSATION.

The Directors shall serve in their capacity as Directors of the Corporation without compensation. All Directors may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of corporate duties.

#### SECTION 19. - ANNUAL INDEPENDENT AUDIT.

The Audit Committee shall present to the Board upon its completion, the annual independent audit report performed in accordance with the requirements of the PAAA and generally accepted government auditing standards certified by a firm of independent public accountants. The certified independent public accounting firm that performs the annual independent audit shall timely report to the Audit Committee the following:



(i) the assets and liabilities, including the status of reserve, depreciation, special or other funds including the receipts and payments of such funds, of the Corporation as of the end of the fiscal year;

(ii) the principal changes in assets and liabilities, including trust funds, during said fiscal period;

(iii) the revenue or receipts of the Corporation, both unrestricted and restricted, to particular purposes during said fiscal period;

(iv) the expenses or disbursements of the Corporation for both general and restricted purposes, during said fiscal period; and

(v) a schedule of the bonds and notes of the Corporation outstanding during said fiscal period, including all refinancings, calls, refundings, defeasements, and interest rate exchange or other such agreements, and for any debt issued during the fiscal period, together with a statement of the amounts redeemed and incurred during such fiscal period as a part of a schedule of debt issuance that include the date of issuance, term, amount, interest rate, means of repayment and cost of issuance.

Furthermore, the certified independent public accounting firm that performs the annual independent audit shall timely report to the Audit Committee the following:

(i) all critical accounting policies and practices to be used;

(ii) all alternative treatments of financial information within generally accepted accounting principals that have been discussed with the management of the Corporation, ramifications of the use of such alternative disclosures and treatments, and the treatment preferred by the certified independent public accounting firm;

(iii) other material written communications between the certified independent public accounting firm and the management of the Corporation, such as the management letter along with management's response or plan of corrective action, material corrections identified or schedule of unadjusted differences, where applicable.

#### SECTION 20. - PROPERTY RIGHTS.

No Director of the corporation shall, by reason of that position, have any rights to or interest in the property or assets of the Corporation.

### ARTICLE IV - COMMITTEES

#### SECTION 1. - STANDING COMMITTEES.

(a) The Standing Committees of the Board shall be as described in subparagraph (b) below. Except as otherwise provided by these By-Laws, each Standing Committee shall consist of at least three Directors. No Standing Committee shall have authority as to the following matters:

- (i) The submission to the Member of any action requiring its approval;
- (ii) The filling of vacancies on the Board of Directors or any committee;
- (iii) The amendment or repeal of these By-Laws or the adoption of new By-Laws; or
- (iv) The amendment or repeal of any resolution of the Board which by its terms is not so amendable or repealable.

(b) Until changed by amendment of these By-Laws, the Corporation shall have the following Committees:

Executive Committee. There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the Board Officers of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary that under direction of the Chairman shall consider and oversee ongoing programming and meeting agenda items for consideration by the Board of Directors.

Audit and Finance Committee. There shall be an Audit and Finance Committee consisting ~~of at least a majority entirely~~ of Independent members, who shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast by the Directors of the Corporation at each annual meeting of the Board and shall serve until the next annual meeting. To the extent practicable, members of the Audit and Finance Committee should be familiar with corporate financial and accounting practices. The Audit and Finance Committee shall recommend to the Board the hiring of a certified independent accounting firm in compliance with the PAAA to conduct the annual independent audit, establish the compensation to be paid to the accounting firm and provide direct oversight of the performance of the annual independent audit. The Audit and Finance Committee shall have the responsibility to review proposals for the issuance of debt by the Corporation and its subsidiaries, if any, and make recommendations.

Governance Committee. There shall be a Governance Committee consisting ~~of at least a majority entirely~~ of Independent members, who shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast by the Directors of the Corporation at each annual meeting of the Directors and shall serve until the next annual meeting. The Governance Committee shall keep the Board informed of current best governance practices, review corporate governance trends, update the Corporation's corporate governance principles, and advise the Members and Directors on the skills and experience required of potential Directors.

## SECTION 2. - SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Board of Directors, by resolution adopted by a majority of the entire Board of Directors, may create Special Committees, which shall have only the powers specifically delegated to them and shall in no case have powers which are not authorized for Standing Committees. The members of Special Committees shall be appointed by a plurality of the votes cast by the Directors of the Corporation.

#### SECTION 3. - MEETINGS.

Meetings of committees shall be held at such times and places as shall be fixed by the respective committee chairpersons, or by vote of a majority of all of the members of the committee. Written notice shall be mailed (via regular mail or electronic mail) or delivered to all members of the committee prior to each meeting. Written minutes of the proceedings shall be kept at all committee meetings and shall be submitted at the next meeting of the Board. The Chief Executive Officer and Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Corporation, or their respective designees, may attend all committee meetings, but will not possess any voting rights unless otherwise granted by said committees.

#### SECTION 4. - QUORUM.

Unless otherwise provided by resolution of the Board of Directors, a majority of all of the members of a committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

#### SECTION 5. - MANNER OF ACTING.

Any corporate action to be taken by a committee shall mean such action to be taken at a meeting of the committee. Action by a committee shall be taken by majority vote at a meeting.

### **ARTICLE V - OFFICERS**

#### SECTION 1. – CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER; CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER; OTHER OFFICERS.

The Corporation may have a Chief Executive Officer, a Chief Financial Officer, and a Secretary and other officers and assistant officers as the Board of Directors may determine. The offices of Chief Executive Officer and Secretary shall not be held by the same person. The officers shall have such duties as may be prescribed by these By-Laws and the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2. - TERMS OF OFFICERS.

The officers shall be appointed by the Directors at its annual meeting. Unless a shorter term is provided in the resolution of the Board appointing such officer, the term of office of each officer shall extend for one year after his or her appointment and until a successor is appointed and qualified. Officers shall be eligible to serve an unlimited number of consecutive terms.

SECTION 3. - ADDITIONAL OFFICERS.

Additional officers may be appointed for such period, have such authority and perform such duties, either in an administrative or subordinate capacity, as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine. Such positions may include an Acting Chief Financial Officer and Acting Secretary, and any other position established by the Board of Directors from time to time.

SECTION 4. - REMOVAL OF OFFICERS.

Any officer may be removed by majority vote of the Directors, with or without cause, at any time, provided there is a quorum of not less than a majority of the entire Board of Directors present at the meeting at which such action is taken.

SECTION 5. - RESIGNATION.

Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors, the Chief Executive Officer or the Secretary; provided, however, the Chief Executive Officer must provide written notice of its intent to resign to the Board of Directors and the Secretary must provide written notice of its intent to resign to the Chairperson or the Board of Directors. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein, or, if no time is specified, then on delivery. Acceptance of the resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

SECTION 6. - VACANCIES.

A vacancy in any office of the Corporation shall be filled by the majority vote of the entire Board of Directors.

SECTION 7. –CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

The Board of Directors shall appoint the Chief Executive Officer by resolution, which resolution shall set the Chief Executive Officer's annual compensation. The Chief Executive Officer shall generally supervise all affairs of the Corporation. The Chief Executive Officer shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her from time to time by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 8. – ACTING SECRETARY.

It shall be the duty of the Acting Secretary to supervise the preparation of minutes of all meetings of the Members and the Board of Directors and its committees, the giving of all notices

required to be given by the Corporation, and the keeping of a current list of the Member of the Corporation, Directors and officers and their residence addresses. The Acting Secretary shall be responsible for supervising the preparation and maintenance of the books and records of the Corporation. The Acting Secretary shall attend to such correspondence as may be assigned to him or her and perform all the duties customarily incidental to that office and such other duties as may be assigned to him or her by the Board of Directors or the Chief Executive Officer. From time to time, the Board of Directors may employ or contract with an appointed Acting Secretary to whom the Board of Directors may designate certain duties of the Secretary and other such duties as may be assigned to him or her.

#### SECTION 9. – CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER.

The Board of Directors shall appoint the Chief Financial Officer by resolution, which resolution shall set the Chief Financial Officer's annual compensation. It shall be the duty of the Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation, with oversight by the Treasurer, to oversee the financial affairs of the Corporation, report at each regular meeting of the Board of Directors, and participate in preparing the annual report of the Corporation and the filing of all required tax returns and other regulatory reports. The Chief Financial Officer shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him or her by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer or the Chief Executive Officer.

### **ARTICLE VI - CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DRAFTS AND BANK ACCOUNTS**

#### SECTION 1. - EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS.

The Board of Directors may on its own, except as these By-Laws otherwise provide, or may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents, employee or employees, in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances; but, unless so authorized by the Board of Directors, or expressly authorized by these By-Laws, no officer, agent or employee shall have any power or authority to bind the Corporation by any contract or engagement or to pledge its credit or to render it liable pecuniarily in any amount for any purpose.

#### SECTION 2. - LOANS.

No loans shall be contracted on behalf of the Corporation unless specifically authorized by the Board of Directors.

#### SECTION 3. - CHECKS, DRAFTS, ETC.

All checks, drafts and other orders for the payment of money out of the funds of the Corporation, and all notes or other evidences of indebtedness of the Corporation, must be signed on behalf of the Corporation by two of following persons: the Chief Executive Officer, the Treasurer or the Chairperson of the Board.

SECTION 4. - DEPOSITS.

All funds of the Corporation not otherwise employed shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Treasurer may recommend and the Board of Directors approves.

SECTION 5. - INVESTMENTS.

The Board of Directors may authorize the Corporation to contract with an investment advisor and custodian to manage its investments in accordance with an investment policy established by the Board.

**ARTICLE VII - GENERAL**

SECTION 1. - SEAL.

The corporate seal shall have inscribed thereon the name of the Corporation, the year of its organization, and the words "Corporate Seal, New York." The seal may be used by causing it or a facsimile thereof to be impressed or affixed or otherwise reproduced.

SECTION 2. - BOOKS AND RECORDS.

There shall be kept by the Corporation (1) correct and complete books and records of account, (2) minutes and statements of written action by the Members, (3) minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Directors and its committees, (4) a current list of the Members, Directors and officers of the Corporation and their residence addresses, (5) a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation, and (6) a copy of these By-Laws. The foregoing items shall be subject to inspection and/or audit at any time by or at the direction of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 3. - INDEMNIFICATION.

The Corporation shall indemnify each Member, each Director, each officer, and, to the extent authorized by the Board of Directors, each other person authorized to act for the Corporation or on its behalf, to the full extent to which indemnification is permitted under the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law.

SECTION 4. - INTERESTED DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

The Board of Directors may adopt a policy regarding conflicts of interest which shall apply to all directors and officers.

SECTION 5. - LOANS TO MEMBERS AND OFFICERS.

The Corporation, either directly or indirectly, including through any subsidiary, is prohibited from extending or maintaining credit, arranging for the extension of credit or renewing any extension of credit, in the form of a personal loan to or for any Member, Director, or Officer, or to any other company, corporation, firm, association or other entity in which one or more of the Members, Directors or Officers of the Corporation are members, director or officers or hold a substantial financial interest.

### **ARTICLE VIII - FISCAL YEAR**

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall commence on the first day of January of each calendar year and end on the last day of December.

### **ARTICLE IX - RULES OF ORDER AND BYLAW CHANGES**

#### **SECTION 1. - RULES OF ORDER.**

Meetings of the Members and the Board of Directors and its committees shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, except in cases otherwise provided for by these By-Laws.

#### **SECTION 2. – BY-LAW CHANGES.**

These By-Laws may be amended, repealed or adopted only by a majority of the Directors of the Corporation, or a weighted majority of the Supervisors of the Member, whose actions at all times shall supersede actions by the Directors.

**EXHIBIT C**

**PROFESSIONALS RETAINED AND APPROVED RELATIONSHIPS**

Certified Public Accountant/Auditor:

[TBD]

General/Transaction/Bond Counsel:

[TBD]

Banking Institution:

[TBD]



**EXHIBIT D-1**

**CERTIFICATION OF NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being a duly appointed (member/officer/employee) of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation"), do hereby certify pursuant to the By-laws and policies of the Corporation, that neither I nor my spouse, minor children, nor dependents has any interest in any contract with the Corporation; and I do further certify that I am not engaged in any activity which would constitute a conflict of interest, as defined within the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York.

Further, I hereby certify that I have (1) not accepted other employment which will impair my independence of judgment in the exercise of my official duties; (2) not accepted employment or engaged in any business or professional activity which will require me to disclose confidential information which I have gained by reason of my being a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation; (3) not disclosed confidential information acquired in the course of my official duties nor used such information to further my own personal interests; (4) not used or attempted to use my position with the Corporation to secure unwarranted privileges or exemptions for myself or others; (5) not engaged in any transaction as a representative or agent of the Corporation with any business entity in which I have a direct or indirect financial interest that might reasonably tend to conflict with proper discharge of my official duties; (6) not given reasonable basis for the impression that any person can improperly influence me or unduly enjoy my favor in the performance of my duties, or that I am affected by the kinship, rank, position or influence of any party or person; (7) abstained from making personal investments in enterprises which I have reason to believe may be directly involved with my responsibilities or which will otherwise create substantial conflict between my duty in the public interest and my private interests; and (8) endeavored to pursue a course of conduct which will not raise suspicion among the public that I am likely to be engaged in acts that are in violation of my Corporation responsibilities.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

## EXHIBIT D-2

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIDUCIARY DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

As a member of the Board of Directors of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation"), I understand that I have a fiduciary obligation to perform my duties and responsibilities to the best of my abilities, in good faith and with proper diligence and care, consistent with the enabling statute, mission, and By-Laws of the Corporation and the laws of New York State. The requirements set forth in this acknowledgement are based on the provisions of New York State law, including but not limited to the Public Authorities Reform Act of 2005, as amended by Chapter 506 of the Laws of 2009 of the State of New York, Public Officers Law, and General Municipal Law. As a member of the Board of Directors:

#### I. Mission Statement

I have read and understand the mission of the Corporation; and the mission is designed to achieve a public purpose on behalf of the State of New York. I further understand that my fiduciary duty to this Corporation is derived from and governed by its mission.

I agree that I have an obligation to become knowledgeable about the mission, purpose, functions, responsibilities, and statutory duties of the Corporation and, when I believe it necessary, to make reasonable inquiry of management and others with knowledge and expertise so as to inform my decisions.

#### II. Deliberation

I understand that my obligation is to act in the best interests of the Corporation and the people of the State of New York whom the Corporation serves.

I agree that I will exercise independent judgment on all matters before the Board of Directors.

I understand that any interested party may comment on any matter or proposed resolution that comes before the Board of Directors consistent with the laws governing procurement policy and practice, be it the general public, an affected party, a party potentially impacted by such matter or an elected or appointed public official. However, I understand that the ultimate decision is mine and will be consistent with the mission of the Corporation and my fiduciary duties as a member of the Corporation's Board of Directors.

I will participate in training sessions, attend Board and committee meetings, and engage fully in the Board's and committee's decision-making process.

#### III. Confidentiality

I agree that I will not divulge confidential discussions and confidential matters that come before the Board of Directors for consideration or action.

IV. Conflict of Interest

I agree to disclose to the Board any conflicts, or the appearance of a conflict, of a personal, financial, ethical, or professional nature that could inhibit me from performing my duties in good faith and with due diligence and care.

I do not have any interest, financial or otherwise, direct or indirect, or engage in any business or transaction or professional activity or incur any obligation of any nature, which is in substantial conflict with the proper discharge of my duties in the public interest.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Corporation Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXHIBIT E**

**FORM OF  
CERTIFICATE OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
AND THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER  
OF THE SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.**

The undersigned Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc., a local development corporation organized pursuant to Section 1411 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York, hereby certify, pursuant to subdivision 3 of Section 2800 of the Public Authorities Law, as follows:

The financial information provided within the Annual Report of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation"), dated as of \_\_\_\_\_, 201\_\_ (the "Annual Report"), is accurate, correct, and does not contain any untrue statement of material fact. The Annual Report does not omit any material fact which, if omitted, would cause the report to be misleading in light of the circumstances under which the report and any such statements made therein are made. The Annual Report fairly presents in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Corporation as of, and for, the periods presents in said report.

The Annual Report is hereby approved.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer have executed this Certificate as of this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 201\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name:  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT F**

**SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.  
COMPENSATION, REIMBURSEMENT AND ATTENDANCE POLICY**

Pursuant to and in accordance with the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York, the members of the board (the "Board") of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation") shall serve without salary and be appointed as described in the By-Laws of the Corporation but may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of Corporation duties at the approval of the Board.

The officers, employees and agents of the Corporation shall serve at the pleasure of the Corporation at such compensation levels as may be approved by the Board from time to time and may be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of Corporation duties at the approval of the Board.

The members of the Board and officers of the Corporation shall be available as required to perform the operations of the Corporation and as set forth within the By-Laws of the Corporation, as may be amended, restated or revised by the Board from time to time, in accordance with the By-Laws. Said members and officers of the Corporation shall put forth their best efforts to perform their respective duties as outlined in the By-Laws of the Corporation and any other directives of the Board relating to same.

Approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2014.

**EXHIBIT G**  
**CODE OF ETHICS**  
**OF**  
**SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.**

The members of the board (the "Board") of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation"), a duly established local development corporation created pursuant to Section 1411 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York (the "State"), along with the officers and staff of the Corporation, shall comply with and adhere to the provisions of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State.

Further, no director, officer, or employee of the Corporation shall (1) accept other employment which will impair his or her independence of judgment in the exercise of his or her official duties; (2) accept employment or engage in any business or professional activity which will require him or her to disclose confidential information which he or she has gained by reason of his or her official position of authority; (3) disclose confidential information acquired by him or her in the course of his or her official duties nor use such information to further his or her personal interests; (4) use or attempt to use his or her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or exemptions for himself, herself or others; (5) engage in any transaction as a representative or agent of Corporation with any business entity in which he or she has a direct or indirect financial interest that might reasonably tend to conflict with proper discharge of his or her official duties; (6) by his or her conduct, give reasonable basis for the impression that any person can improperly influence him or her or unduly enjoy his or her favor in the performance of his or her official duties, or that he or she is affected by the kinship, rank, position or influence of any party or person; (7) make personal investments in enterprises which he or she has reason to believe may be directly involved in decisions to be made by him or her or which will otherwise create substantial conflict between his or her duty in the public interest and his or her private interest; and (8) pursue a course of conduct which will raise suspicion among the public that he or she is likely to be engaged in acts that are in violation of his or her trust.

Approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2014.

**EXHIBIT H**

**SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.**

**WHISTLEBLOWER POLICY**

Every member of the Board of Directors of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation") and all officer and employees thereof, in the performance of their duties shall conduct themselves with honesty and integrity and observe the highest standards of business and personal ethics as set forth in the Code of Ethics of the Corporation (the "Code").

Each member, officer or employee is responsible to report any violation of the Code (whether suspected or known) to the Corporation's Chief Executive Officer. Reports of violations will be kept confidential to the extent possible. No individual, regardless of his or her position with the Corporation, will be subject to any retaliation for making a good faith claim and, any employee who chooses to retaliate against someone who has reported a violation, shall be subject to disciplinary action which may include termination of employment. Regardless, any claim of retaliation will be taken and treated seriously and irrespective of the outcome of the initial complaint, will be treated as a separate offense.

The Chief Executive Officer is responsible for immediately forwarding any claim to the Corporation's counsel who shall investigate and handle the claim in a timely manner.

Approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2014.

## EXHIBIT I

### SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC. INVESTMENT POLICY

#### I. INVESTMENT AND DEPOSIT POLICY

##### A. Introduction

1. Scope – This investment and deposit policy applies to all monies and other financial resources available for investment and deposit on its own behalf or on behalf of any other entity or individual.
2. Objectives – The primary objectives of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc.'s (the “Corporation”) investment activities are, in priority order:
  - a. to conform with all applicable federal, state and other legal requirements (legal);
  - b. to adequately safeguard principal (safety);
  - c. to provide sufficient liquidity to meet all operating requirements (liquidity); and
  - d. to obtain a reasonable rate of return (yield).
3. Prudence – All participants in the investment process and all participants responsible for depositing the Corporation’s funds shall seek to act responsibly as custodians of the public trust and shall avoid any transaction that might impair confidence in the Corporation to govern effectively.

Investments and deposits shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the safety of the principal as well as the probable income to be derived.

All participants involved in the investment process and all participants responsible for depositing the Corporation’s funds shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with proper execution of the investment program or the deposit of the Corporation’s funds or which could impair their ability to make impartial investment decisions.

4. Diversification – It is the policy of the Corporation to diversify its deposits and investments by financial institution, by investment instrument, and by maturity scheduling.



5. Internal Controls

- a. All moneys collected by an officer or employee of the Corporation shall be immediately deposited in such depositories and designated by the Corporation for the receipt of such funds.
- b. The Corporation shall maintain or cause to be maintained a proper record of all book, notes, securities or other evidences of indebtedness held by the Corporation for investment and deposit purposes.
- c. The Corporation is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that deposits and investments are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly, and are managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

1. Designation of Depositories

The Corporation shall designate as depositories of its money those banks and trust companies authorized to serve as such pursuant to applicable law.

B. Investment Policy

1. Permitted Investments

Pursuant to the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law ("N-PCL"), the Corporation is authorized to invest moneys not required for immediate expenditure for terms not to exceed its projected cash flow needs in the following types of investments:

- a. Special time deposit accounts;\*
- b. Certificates of deposit;\*
- c. Obligations of the United States of America;\*\*
- d. Obligations guaranteed by agencies of the United States of America where payment of principal and interest are guaranteed by the United States of America;\*\*
- e. Obligations of the State of New York;\*

\*Special time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit are permitted investments provided that (1) they shall be payable within such time as the proceeds shall be needed to meet expenditures for which the moneys were obtained and (2)

they are collateralized in the same manner as set forth in paragraph (C) below for deposits of public funds.

\*\*All investment obligations shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the Corporation within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for purposes for which the moneys were provided and, in the case of obligations purchased with the proceeds of bonds or notes, shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the Corporation within two years of the date of purchase.

2. Authorized Financial Institutions and Dealers

The Corporation shall maintain a list of financial institutions and dealers, approved for investment purposes and establish appropriate limits to the amount of investments which can be made with each financial institution or dealer. All financial institutions with which the local government conducts business must be credit worthy. Banks shall provide their most recent Consolidated Report of Condition (Call Report) at the request of the Corporation. Security dealers not affiliated with a bank shall be required to be classified as reporting dealers affiliated with the New York Federal Reserve Bank, as primary dealers. The Chief Executive Officer or Chairperson of the Board of Directors is responsible for evaluating the financial position and maintaining a listing of proposed depositories, trading partners and custodians. Such listing shall be evaluated at least annually.

3. Purchase of Investments

The Corporation may contract for the purchase of investments:

- a. Directly, including through a repurchase agreement, from an authorized trading partner.
- b. By participation in a cooperative investment program with another authorized governmental entity pursuant to the N-PCL where such program meets all the requirements set forth in the Office of the State Comptroller Opinion No. 88-46, and the specific program has been authorized by the Board of Directors.
- c. By utilizing an ongoing investment program with an authorized trading partner pursuant to a contract authorized by the board of Directors.

All purchased obligations, unless registered or inscribed in the name of the Corporation, shall be purchased through, delivered to and held in the custody of a bank or trust company. Such obligations shall be purchased, sold or presented for redemption or payment by such bank or trust company only in accordance with prior written authorization from the officer authorized to make the investment. All such transactions shall be confirmed in writing to the Corporation by the bank or

trust company shall be held pursuant to a written custodial agreement as described in the N-PCL.

The custodial agreement shall provide that securities held by the bank or trust company, as agent of and custodian for, the Corporation, will be kept separate and apart from the general assets of the custodial bank or trust company and will not, in any circumstances, be commingled with or become part of the backing for any other deposit or other liabilities. The agreement shall describe how the custodian shall confirm the receipt and release of the securities. Such agreement shall include all provisions necessary to provide the Corporation a perfected interest in the securities.

#### 4. Repurchase Agreements

Repurchase agreements are authorized subject to the following restrictions:

- a. All repurchase agreements must be entered into subject to a Master Repurchase Agreement.
- b. Trading partners are limited to banks or trust companies authorized to do business in New York State and primary reporting dealers.
- c. Obligations shall be limited to obligations of the United States of America and obligations guaranteed by agencies of the United States of America.
- d. No substitution of securities will be allowed.
- e. The custodian shall be a party other than the trading partner.

#### C. Deposit Policy

##### 1. Collateralization of Deposits

All deposits of the Corporation, including certificates of deposit and special time deposits, in excess of the amount insured under the provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act shall be secured:

- a. By pledge of "eligible securities" with an aggregate "market value" as provided by the N-PCL, equal to the aggregate amount of deposits from the categories designated in Exhibit A attached hereto.
- b. By an eligible "irrevocable letter of credit" issued by a qualified bank other than the bank with the deposits in favor of the Corporation for a term not to exceed ninety (90) days with an aggregate value equal to 105% of the

aggregate amount of deposits and the agreed upon interest, if any. A qualified bank is one whose commercial paper and other unsecured short-term debt obligations are rated in one of the three highest rating categories by at least on nationally recognized statistical rating organization or by a bank that is in compliance with applicable federal minimum risk-based capital requirements.

- c. By an eligible surety bond payable to the Corporation for an amount at least equal to 100% of the aggregate amount of deposits and the agreed upon interest, if any, executed by an insurance company authorized to do business in New York State, whose claims-paying ability is rated in the highest rating category by at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The terms and conditions of any eligible surety shall be approved by the Board of Directors.

2. Safekeeping and Collateralization

Eligible securities used for collateralizing deposits shall be held by the depository bank or trust company subject to security and custodial agreements.

The security agreement shall provide that eligible securities are being pledged to secure Corporation deposits together with agreed upon interest, if any and any costs or expenses arising out of the collection of such deposits upon default. It shall also provide the conditions under which the securities may be sold, presented for payment, substituted or released and the events, which will enable the Corporation to exercise its rights against the pledged securities. In the event that the securities are not registered or inscribed in the name of the Corporation, such securities shall be delivered in a form suitable for transfer or with an assignment in blank to the Corporation or its custodial bank.

The custodial agreement shall provide that securities held by the bank or trust company, or agent of and custodian for, the Corporation, will be kept separate and apart from the general assets of the custodial bank or trust company and will not, in any circumstances, be commingled with or become part of backing for any other deposit or other liabilities. The agreement should also describe that the custodian shall confirm the receipt, substitution or release of the securities. The agreement shall provide for the frequency of revaluation of eligible securities and for the substitution of securities when a change in the rating of a security may cause ineligibility. Such agreement shall include all provisions necessary to provide the Corporation a perfected interest in the securities.

Approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2014.

**EXHIBIT J**

**SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.  
TRAVEL POLICY**

Section 1.     **APPILICABILITY**

This policy shall apply to every member of the board (the "Board") of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation") and all officers and employees thereof.

Section 2.     **APPROVAL OF TRAVEL**

All official travel for which a reimbursement will be sought must be approved by the Chief Executive Officer prior to such travel; provided, however, in the instance where the Chief Executive Officer will seek reimbursement for official travel, such travel must be pre-authorized by the Board.

Section 3.     **PAYMENT OF TRAVEL**

The Corporation will reimburse all reasonable expenses related to meals, travel and lodging that were incurred by any director, officer or employee as a result of the performance of their official duties. All official travel shall be properly authorized, reported and reimbursed. Under no circumstances shall expenses for personal travel be charged to, or temporarily funded by the Corporation. It is the traveler's responsibility to report his or her travel expenses in a responsible and ethical manner, in accordance with this policy.

Section 4.     **TRAVEL EXPENSES**

Travelers may use their private vehicle for business purposes if it is less expensive than renting a car, taking a taxi, or using alternative transportation, or if it saves time. The traveler will be reimbursed at a standard mileage reimbursement rate.

Meals will be reimbursed at actual expense or a per diem rate, whichever is less. Lodging will be reimbursed at actual expense up to certain daily rate caps established for various locations. The applicability of such caps shall be determined on a case by case basis taking into consideration availability of lodging and other extenuating circumstances.

Reimbursement for miscellaneous expenses shall be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Mileage rates, per diem allowances and lodging caps will be established and from time to time amended by the Treasurer or his or her designee. All determinations made pursuant to this section shall be made by the Treasurer or his or her designee. In the instance where such determinations regard the travel of the Treasurer or his or her designee, the President shall make such determinations.

Approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2014.

**EXHIBIT K**

**SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.  
DISPOSITION OF REAL PROPERTY GUIDELINES  
ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 2896  
OF THE PUBLIC AUTHORITIES LAW**

**SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS**

A. "Contracting officer" shall mean the officer or employee of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation") who shall be responsible for the disposition of property.

B. "Dispose" or "disposal" shall mean transfer of title or any other beneficial interest in personal or real property in accordance with section 2897 of the Public Authorities Law.

C. "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.

**SECTION 2. DUTIES**

A. 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 subsection B herewith; and

(iv) transfer or dispose of such property as promptly and practicably as possible in accordance with Section 3 below.

B. The Corporation shall

(i) publish, not less frequently than annually, a report listing all real property owned in fee by 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; and

(ii) 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 (via distribution to the majority leader of the senate and the speaker of the assembly).

### **SECTION 3. TRANSFER OR DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY**

A. Supervision and Direction. Except as otherwise provided herein, the duly appointed contracting officer (the "Contracting Officer") shall have supervision and direction over the disposition and sale of property of the Corporation. The Corporation shall have the right to dispose of its property for any valid corporate purpose.

B. Custody and Control. The custody and control of Corporation property, 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 and applicable law.

C. Method of Disposition. Unless otherwise permitted, the Corporation shall dispose of 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 and/or contracting officer deems proper. The Corporation 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, no disposition of real property, any interest in real property 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 and provided further, that no disposition of any other property, which because of its unique nature or the unique circumstances of the proposed transaction is not readily valued by reference to an active market for similar property, shall be made without a similar appraisal.

D. Sales by the Commissioner of General Services (the "Commissioner"). When the Corporation, if authorized to do so by applicable law, shall have deemed that transfer of property by the Commissioner will be advantageous to the State of New York, the Corporation may enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of pursuant to which Commissioner may dispose of property of the Corporation under terms and conditions agreed to by the Corporation and the Commissioner. In disposing of any such property, the Commissioner shall be bound by the terms hereof and references to the contracting officer shall be deemed to refer to such Commissioner.

E. 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 of the Corporation in accordance herewith shall be conclusive evidence of compliance with the provisions of these guidelines and all applicable law 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.

F. Bids for Disposal; Advertising; Procedure; Disposal by Negotiation; Explanatory Statement.

(i) Except as permitted by all applicable law, all disposals or contracts for disposal of property made or authorized by the Corporation shall be made after publicly advertising for bids except as provided in subsection (iii) of this Section F.

(ii) Whenever public advertising for bids is required under subsection (i) of this Section F:

(A) 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 proposed for disposition;

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

(C) 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 Corporation, price and other factors considered; provided, that all bids may be rejected at the Corporation's discretion.

(iii) Disposals and contracts for disposal of property may be negotiated or made by public auction without regard to subsections (i) and (ii) of this Section F but subject to obtaining such competition as is feasible under the circumstances, if:

(A) the personal property involved has qualities separate from the utilitarian purpose of such property, such as artistic quality, antiquity, historical significance, rarity, or other quality of similar effect, that would tend to increase its value, or if the personal property is to be sold in such quantity that, if it were disposed of under subsections (i) and (ii) of this Section F, 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;

(B) the fair market value of the property does not exceed fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000);

(C) 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;

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

(E) under those circumstances permitted by subsection (v) below; or

(F) such action is otherwise authorized by law.



(iv) (A) An explanatory statement shall be prepared of the circumstances of each disposal by negotiation of:

(1) any personal property which has an estimated fair market value in excess of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000);

(2) any real property that has an estimated fair market value in excess of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), except that any real property disposed of by lease or exchange shall only be subject to clauses (3) and (4) of this subparagraph;

(3) any real property disposed of by lease, if the estimated annual rent over the term of the lease is in excess of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000); or

(4) 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.

(B) Each such statement shall be transmitted to the persons entitled to receive copies of the report required under Section 2(B) above not less than ninety (90) days in advance of such disposal, and a copy thereof shall be preserved in the files of the Corporation.

(v) Disposal of Property for less than Fair Market Value ("FMV").

(A) No assets owned, leased or otherwise in the control of the Corporation may be sold, leased, or otherwise alienated for less than its FMV except if:

(1) the transferee is a government or public entity and terms of transfer require ownership and use to remain with the government or public entity; or

(2) the purpose of transfer is within purpose, mission of the Corporation; or

(3) the Corporation provides written notification to the Governor, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the Temporary President of the Senate; provided, however, that such notification is subject to denial by the Governor, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the Temporary President of the Senate pursuant to the PAAA.

(B) If the Corporation proposes to make a transfer below FMV, the following information is required to be provided to the Corporation's Board of Directors and the public:

(1) a full description of the asset;

(2) an appraisal of the FMV of the asset;

(3) a description of purpose of transfer, the kind and amount of the benefit to the public resulting from the transfer such as jobs and wages created or preserved;

(4) a statement of the value to be received compared to FMV;

(5) the names of any private parties participating in the transfer, and, if different than the information required by paragraph 4 immediately above, a statement of the value to the private party;

(6) the names of other private parties that have made an offer for the asset being transferred, the value offered, and the purpose for which the asset would have been used.

(C) The Board of Directors of the Corporation must make a written determination that there is no reasonable alternative to the proposed below-market transfer that would achieve the same purpose of such transfer.

The guidelines are subject to modification and amendment at the discretion of the Corporation board and shall be filed annually with all local and state agencies as required under all applicable law.

The designated Contracting Officer for the Corporation is the Corporation's CEO.

Approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2014.

EXHIBIT L

SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.

PROCUREMENT POLICY

A. Introduction

1. Scope – In accordance with the Public Authorities Accountability Act of 2005, as amended by Chapter 506 of the Laws of 2009 of the State of New York, the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the “Corporation”) is required to adopt procurement policies that will apply to the procurement of goods and services not subject to the competitive bidding requirements the New York State General Municipal Law and paid for by the Corporation for its own use and account.

2. Purpose – The primary objectives of this policy are to assure the prudent and economical use of public monies in the best interests of the taxpayers of a political subdivision or district, to facilitate the acquisition of goods and services of maximum quality at the lowest possible cost under the circumstances and to guard against favoritism, improvidence, extravagance, fraud and corruption.

B. Procurement Policy

Any purchase/contract for goods or services with an annualized expenditure in excess of fifteen thousand (\$15,000) must adhere to the following:

Definitions:

*best value* - the basis for awarding all service purchases/contracts to the offerer which optimizes quality, cost and efficiency, among responsive and responsible offerers. Such basis shall be, whenever possible, quantifiable.

*responsible* - Such requirements may include, but are not limited to, the offerers' qualifications, financial stability and integrity.

*responsive* - Applies to the extent to which the offer has complied with the specifications or requirements of the solicitation for goods or services.

1) For the purchase of goods, proposals must be requested from a minimum of three (3) offerers. The lowest responsible, responsive bidder shall be accepted unless it is otherwise in the best interest of the Corporation, as justified in writing by the Contracting Officer of the Corporation. Such justification must be maintained in the procurement record.

2) For purchases of services, proposals must be requested from a minimum of three (3) offerers. The best value bidder shall be accepted unless it is otherwise in the best interest of

the Corporation, as justified in writing by the Contracting Officer of the Corporation. Such justification must be maintained in the procurement record.

3) The requirement for competitive bidding may be waived upon prior written approval of the Contracting Officer provided that prior to the acceptance of such goods or services, a written statement is prepared describing the justification for waiving competitive bidding and the reasonableness of the proposed expenditure.

Approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2014.

**EXHIBIT M**

**SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.  
DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION POLICY**

Pursuant to the By-Laws of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation"), the Corporation shall indemnify all members of the Board of the Corporation and each officer and employee thereof, in the performance of their duties, and to the extent authorized by the Board of Directors, each other person authorized to act for the Corporation or on its behalf, to the full extent to which indemnification is permitted under the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York.

Approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2014.

**SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.  
TRAVEL AND REIMBURSEMENT POLICY**

Section 1.       APPLICABILITY

This policy shall apply to every member of the board (the "Board") of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation") and all officers and employees thereof.

Section 2.       APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND SOCIAL EXPENSES

All official travel for which a reimbursement will be sought must include a written request with proposed budget and be approved by the Chief Executive Officer prior to such travel; provided, however, in the instance where the Chief Executive Officer will seek reimbursement for official travel, such travel must be pre-authorized by the Chairman or his designee upon submission of a written request with proposed budget. All Social Expenses, as defined within the Corporation's Discretionary Funds Policy, as may be amended from time to time, in excess of \$750.00 for which a reimbursement will be sought must be pre-authorized in writing by the Chairperson of the Board or their designee. The Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation may authorize Social Expenses for Corporation Staff for up to \$750.00.

Section 3.       PAYMENT OF TRAVEL

The Corporation will reimburse all reasonable expenses related to meals, travel and lodging that were incurred by any director, officer or employee as a result of the performance of their official duties. All official travel shall be properly authorized, reported and reimbursed and shall be subject to the Corporation's Discretionary Funds Policy, as may be amended from time to time. Under no circumstances shall expenses for personal travel be charged to, or temporarily funded by the Corporation. It is the traveler's responsibility to report his or her travel expenses in a responsible and ethical manner, in accordance with this policy. To obtain reimbursement, all reimbursement requests shall include original itemized receipts and such supporting documentation as required by the Chief Executive Officer or Chairman, as applicable. Reimbursement requests must be submitted within a reasonable period of time after the expenses are incurred.

Section 4.       TRAVEL EXPENSES

Travelers may use their private vehicle for business purposes if it is less expensive than renting a car, taking a taxi, or using alternative transportation, or if it saves time. The traveler will be reimbursed at a standard mileage reimbursement rate.

Meals will be reimbursed at actual expense or a per diem rate, whichever is less. Lodging will be reimbursed at actual expense up to certain daily rate caps established for various locations. The applicability of such caps shall be determined on a case by case basis taking into consideration availability of lodging and other extenuating circumstances.

Reimbursement for miscellaneous expenses shall be determined on a case-by-case basis. Mileage rates, per diem allowances and lodging caps will be established and from time to time amended by the Treasurer or his or her designee. All determinations made pursuant to this section shall be made by the Treasurer or his or her designee. In the instance where such determinations regard the travel of the Treasurer or his or her designee, the Chairman shall make such determinations.

Approved and adopted this 25th day of June, 2014.  
Amended April 23, 2018

**SARATOGA COUNTY PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP, INC.  
DISCRETIONARY FUNDS POLICY**

A. Introduction

Scope: In accordance with Section 2824(1)(b) of Public Authorities Law, authority directors must understand, review and monitor the implementation of fundamental financial and management controls and the operation decisions of the authority.

Purpose: Pursuant to Public Authorities Law, the primary objective of this policy is to ensure that the assets and resources of the Saratoga County Prosperity Partnership, Inc. (the "Corporation") are safeguarded and protected against the use of funds for purposes that do not advance the Corporation's core purposes and objectives.

This policy, along with the Corporation's Travel and Reimbursement Policy, should provide reasonable guidance to ensure the responsible use of discretionary funds.

B. Discretionary Funds

Use of Discretionary Funds: The expenditure of Corporation funds must relate to a power, duty or purpose of the Corporation, and/or be necessary and convenient to carry out its powers, duties and purposes. Therefore, the use of discretionary funds shall be limited to expenditures that benefit the Corporation in advancing its mission and public purposes.

Discretionary funds shall not be used in a manner that primarily benefits individual board members, officers, or employees.

Prior Approval: All expenditures of discretionary funds shall be approved by the Chief Executive Officer prior to such expenditure and fall within Annual Budget Allocations, in accordance with the Corporation's Travel and Reimbursement Policy. Provided, however, in the instance where the Chief Executive Officer will seek an expenditure of discretionary funds, such expenditure shall be pre-authorized by the Chairman his or her designee, in accordance with the Corporation's Travel and Reimbursement Policy.

The Chief Executive Officer (or Chairman) as the case may be, shall review the proposed use of funds and reasonably determine whether such use (i) primarily benefits the Corporation as opposed to an individual board member, officer or employee and (ii) advances the mission and public purpose of the Corporation. Scrutiny of all expenses shall be guided by judgment related to the relevance of such costs and the benefits which may accrue from such activities.

Appropriate Expenditure Guidance:

a. Membership Dues: Membership dues paid for the Corporation to belong to a professional peer organization is a permissible use of Corporation funds. Individual membership costs which enable board members, officers and employees to belong to a professional, social or fraternal



organization and where the membership is of and the primary benefit is to, the individual rather than the Corporation, shall not be an appropriate use of discretionary funds.

b. Charitable Contributions and Sponsorships: Expenditures for sponsorships or charitable contributions shall be permissible when they relate to the powers, duty and purposes of the Corporation, and whether such expenditure will advance the Corporation's core mission and public purposes.

c. Food, Beverages and Social Expenses: With the exception of food, beverages and social expenses incurred during business travel and under those circumstances outlined in the Corporation's Travel and Reimbursement Policy, expenditures for food and beverages for the personal consumption of board members, officers and employees shall not be considered an appropriate use of Corporation discretionary funds. The foregoing shall include all expenses incurred for dining, alcohol and/or entertainment (herein, "Social Expenses"). Such Social Expenses may be incurred by or for the benefit of board members, officers and employees of the Corporation, as well as for client and potential clients of the Corporation. The Corporation will not pay, either by Corporation-issued credit card or traveler reimbursement, for the purchase of alcohol except for the limited circumstances outlined herein. The purchase of alcohol may only be undertaken where a Corporation Board member or employee is engaged in a business-related working meal with a business client or prospective Corporation staff candidate. Any receipt for payment by Corporation credit card or for reimbursement must be a supplier-generated, itemized receipt. A business client is defined as a potential customer or client qualified on the basis of his/her buying authority and financial capacity who may potentially locate or expand a business operation within Saratoga County, or who may apply for financial assistance from the Saratoga County IDA to locate or expand a business operation within Saratoga County. For purposes of Corporation-sponsored events, the Board from time to time may by prior authorization permit the sponsorship of events where alcohol may be served for the benefit of business clients or the general public, however, any such service of alcoholic beverages must be provided through a duly licensed vendor or establishment.

d. Professional Training, Certification and Licensing: Reasonable costs associated with attendance at training related to the acquisition and maintenance of certifications or licenses, or to attend professional conferences, may be appropriate expenditures of Corporation discretionary funds, provided that the certifications and licenses clearly enable the Corporation to more effectively exercise its powers, duties or purposes.

e. Marketing: Expenses incurred in the course of marketing our area to prospects and relations with existing industries and businesses and supporting partners in furtherance of the Corporation's mission will be an appropriate expenditure of Corporation funds.

f. Other Examples of Inappropriate Use of Corporation Discretionary Funds:

- i. Flowers and gifts for staff, directors or family members.
- ii. Subsidized or free use of Corporation services for the personal use of current or former board members, staff, or family members of staff.
- iii. Celebrations for special occasions that do not directly relate to the purpose

of the Corporation, such as catering or decorations for summer picnics, office parties or holiday or retirement parties.

iv. Purchases of alcohol outside of the parameters set forth herein, or any tobacco products.

v. Personal use of Corporation owned/leased vehicles.

vi. Costs to purchase or mail holiday cards or invitations or expressions of sympathy to staff or families of Corporation staff.

vii. Assignment of cellular phones or vehicles to non-Corporation officers or staff.

Approved and Adopted April 23, 2018