

SPONSORSHIPS RESOLUTION

(Yonkers Partners in Education Gala, Groundworks Hudson Valley Gala and The Untermeyer Gardens Illumination Project)

A regular meeting of the Yonkers Economic Development Corporation was convened on September 26, 2024.

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded, to wit:

Resolution No. 09/2024 – 10

RESOLUTION OF THE YONKERS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO (i) APPROVE SPONSORSHIPS FOR THE YONKERS PARTNERS IN EDUCATION GALA, GROUNDWORKS HUDSON VALLEY GALA, AND THE UNTERMAYER GARDENS ILLUMINATION PROJECT, AND (ii) TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the purposes and powers contained within Section 1411 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York (the “State”), as amended, and pursuant to its certificate of incorporation filed on May 31, 2007, the **YONKERS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION** (the “Corporation”) was established as a not-for-profit local development corporation of the State with the authority and power to own, lease and sell personal and real property for the purposes of, among other things, acquiring, constructing and equipping certain projects exclusively in furtherance of the charitable or public purposes of relieving and reducing unemployment, promoting and providing for additional and maximum employment, bettering and maintaining job opportunities, instructing or training individuals to improve or develop their capabilities for such jobs, by encouraging the development of, or retention of, an industry in the community or area, and lessening the burdens of government and acting in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, to carry out the aforesaid purposes, the Corporation has the power under the N-PCL to do all things necessary to fulfill its obligations imposed by the N-PCL; and

WHEREAS, Yonkers Partners in Education (“YPIE”) is an organization, based in the City of Yonkers (“City”) that partners with students to ensure they are ready for, enroll in, and complete college, works to confront the challenges of a low-income, urban school district by providing families with equitable access to the critical tools and services necessary for college success; and

WHEREAS, YPIE holds an annual gala fundraiser event in support of its mission (the “YPIE Gala”); and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the continuing success of YPIE and in furtherance of the Corporation’s charitable or public purposes of promoting and providing for additional and maximum employment, bettering and maintaining job opportunities, and instructing or training individuals to improve or develop their capabilities for such jobs, the Corporation desires to sponsor the upcoming YPIE Gala in an amount not to exceed \$2,500 (the “YPIE Gala Sponsorship”); and

WHEREAS, Groundwork Hudson Valley (“Groundwork”) is an organization that works to create sustainable environmental change in urban neighborhoods through community-based partnerships that promote equity, youth leadership, and economic opportunity, to ensure equal access to a healthy environment for everyone, promote inclusion of all community members in decision-making, collaborate with residents, governments, and businesses to accomplish positive environmental change, foster the development of environmental and community leaders through environmental education and employment, transform underutilized public sites into vibrant, accessible, green community spaces designed for and with local neighborhoods, and champion durable, sustainable projects that promise lasting impact

WHEREAS, Groundwork holds an annual gala fundraiser event in support of its mission (the “Groundwork Gala”); and

WHEREAS, Groundwork programs contribute to relieving and reducing unemployment, promoting and providing for additional and maximum employment, bettering and maintaining job opportunities, instructing or training individuals to improve or develop their capabilities for such jobs, which are among the Corporation’s charitable and public purposes, and supporting Groundwork supports the Corporation’s charitable and public purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation desires to support the Groundwork Gala in an amount not to exceed \$1,600 (the “Groundwork Sponsorship”); and

WHEREAS, outdoor festivals, such as seasonal street fairs and holiday celebrations, encourage participation in community-based events, increase civic engagement, promote tourism, enhance quality of life, attract visitors, and provide unique cultural opportunities for residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Untermeyer Gardens Conservancy’s (“Untermeyer”) annual Grand Holiday Illumination 2024 (the “Holiday Illumination”) is an annual holiday celebration featuring holiday lights and music that is free to the public every evening throughout the winter holiday season, which attracts thousands of visitors to Untermeyer and to the City each year; and

WHEREAS, the Holiday Illumination is only made possible by funding provided by outside sponsors, including the Corporation, without which Untermeyer would not be able to put on the Holiday Illumination program; and

WHEREAS, the Holiday Illumination provides an additional two months of employment to Untermeyer’s seasonal employees, which would otherwise terminate in early November, instead of early January; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the Corporation’s charitable and public purpose of providing for and maintaining employment opportunities and enhancing the quality of life in the City, the Corporation desires to sponsor the Holiday Illumination in an amount not to exceed \$16,000 (the

“Untermeyer Sponsorship”; and together with the YPIE Sponsorship and the Groundwork Sponsorship, the “Sponsorships”); and

WHEREAS, the Corporation finds that the Sponsorships are in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in the Corporation account for the Sponsorship.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE YONKERS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Sponsorships are hereby approved and the officers, employees and agents of the Corporation are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Corporation, to deliver the Sponsorship and execute and deliver any and all documents reasonably contemplated by this resolution to accomplish the Sponsorships and, where appropriate, the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Corporation is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Corporation to any Sponsorship documents and to attest the same, all with such changes, variations, omissions and insertions as the officers of the Corporation shall approve, the execution thereof by any officer of the Corporation to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval. All acts of the officers, employees and agents of the Corporation in furtherance of the Sponsorships are hereby ratified and confirmed by the Corporation.

Section 2. The officers, employees and agents of the Corporation are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Corporation to do all acts and things required and to execute and deliver all such certificates, instruments and documents, to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing resolution and to cause compliance by the Corporation with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the documents executed for and on behalf of the Corporation.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

	<i>Yea</i>	<i>Nay</i>	<i>Abstain</i>	<i>Absent</i>
Mayor Mike Spano	[✓]	[]	[]	[]
Susan Gerry	[✓]	[]	[]	[]
Victor Gjonaj	[✓]	[]	[]	[]
Hon. Cecile D. Singer	[✓]	[]	[]	[]
Melissa Nacerino	[]	[]	[]	[X]

The Resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATION

*(Yonkers Partners in Education Gala, Groundworks Hudson Valley Gala and The Untermeyer
Gardens Illumination Project)*

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss:
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Yonkers Economic Development Corporation, DO
HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the annexed extract of minutes of the meeting of the Yonkers
Economic Development Corporation (the "Corporation"), including the resolutions contained
therein, held on September 26, 2024, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the
same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Corporation and of such resolutions set
forth therein and of the whole of said original insofar as the same related to the subject matters
therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY, that all members of said Corporation had due notice of said
meeting, that the meeting was in all respects duly held and that, pursuant to Article 7 of the Public
Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public, and that public
notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Article 7.

I FURTHER CERTIFY, that there was a quorum of the directors of the Corporation present
throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY, that as of the date hereof, the attached resolutions are in full force
and effect and have not been amended, repealed or modified.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said
Corporation this 26 day of September, 2024.



Susan Gerry, Secretary