

**RESOLUTION NO. 1217 -2013, AUTHORIZING FUNDING OF
INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AND OVERSIGHT OF
REAL PROPERTY UNDER THE SUFFOLK COUNTY
AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM
(WOOLWORTH BUILDING-RIVERHEAD)**

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 13-2000 as amended in its entirety by Local Law No. 17-2004, known as Suffolk County Administrative Code (“SCAC”) Article XXXVI, as amended, found and determined that there was a need for the County to provide assistance in creating affordable housing and established the Suffolk County Affordable Housing Opportunities Program; and

WHEREAS, SCAC § A-36-2 provides a statutory framework for land to be acquired and infrastructure improvements to be made by Suffolk County’s Workforce Housing Program through the use of capital bond proceeds; and

WHEREAS, the County Department of Economic Development and Planning, the Town of Riverhead and Woolworth Revitalization LLC (the “Developer”) have identified a site in the County of Suffolk which would be appropriate for development as affordable housing and is identified by Suffolk County Tax Map Numbers: 0600-129.00-01.00-008.002 (the “Subject Premises”); and

WHEREAS, the affordable housing development will involve the redevelopment of the old Woolworth Building on Main Street in downtown Riverhead and contemplates the construction of 19 affordable rental units above commercial space all as more particularly described in the Development Plan attached hereto as Exhibit 1 (the “Development Plan”); and

WHEREAS, the Subject Premises will require infrastructure improvements to facilitate the construction of the affordable housing development and, in connection therewith, the Developer has requested infrastructure funding from the County in the amount of up to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$250,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the Developer and the County are negotiating the terms of a Development Agreement, a copy of which in substantially final form is attached hereto as Exhibit 2 (the “Development Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 629-2013, the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, as lead agency, issued a negative SEQRA declaration which completed the environmental review; and further the negative declaration issued by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead is binding on the County, as an involved agency, pursuant to Title 6 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) § 617.6 (b) (3) (iii) and, therefore, SEQRA is complete; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 1421-2005, appropriated the proceeds of \$5,000,000 in Suffolk County Serial Bonds to fund the infrastructure improvements in connection with the properties acquired, funded, constructed, reconstructed or rehabilitated in connection with the Affordable Housing Opportunities Program subject to further Legislative approval of a resolution

authorizing the funding of specific infrastructure improvements to be made in connection with such affordable housing developments; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that the Suffolk County Legislature, on behalf of the County, hereby finds and determines that the development referred to herein meets the requirements of the Suffolk County Affordable Housing Opportunities Program and the need to fill the critical shortage of affordable housing in the County and, accordingly, authorizes the development of the old Woolworth Building in Riverhead and the requested funding thereof in the amount of up to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$250,000.00) in accordance with the Development Plan; and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, that the Development Agreement is hereby approved in substantially the form as attached hereto; and be it further

3rd **RESOLVED**, that the County Executive, the Department of Economic Development and Planning, its Commissioner, its Director of Real Estate and the County Attorney are authorized, empowered and directed to negotiate, execute and deliver the Development Agreement, and each other document contemplated to be executed and delivered in connection therewith, with such changes thereto as may be necessary or desirable, consistent with the Development Plan, in order to effectuate this overall affordable housing project and transactions contemplated hereby; and be it further

4th **RESOLVED**, that the County Executive, the Department of Economic Development and Planning, its Commissioner, its Director of Real Estate and the County Attorney are authorized, empowered and directed to take such further actions and execute such additional documents as may be necessary or desirable, consistent with the Development Plan, in order to effectuate the purposes and intent of the foregoing resolutions, including, but not limited to, payment of expenses such as costs associated with surveys, appraisals, environmental audits, title reports and insurance; and be it further

5th **RESOLVED**, that, subject to the terms of the fully executed Development Agreement, the County Comptroller and County Treasurer are hereby authorized to reserve and pay up to Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$250,000.00) in connection with infrastructure costs associated with the construction of the development referred to herein from previously appropriated funds in Capital Project No. 525-CAP-6411.310; and be it further

6th **RESOLVED**, pursuant to Resolution No. 629-2013, the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, as lead agency, issued a negative SEQRA declaration which completed the environmental review; and further the negative declaration issued by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead is binding on the County, as an involved agency, pursuant to Title 6 of New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) § 617.6 (b) (3) (iii) and, therefore, SEQRA is complete.

DATED: December 17, 2013

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: December 26, 2013

