RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF AMHERST INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AUTHORIZING A PROJECT CONSISTING OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF A 5-STORY MIXED-USE BUILDING BY 6812 MAIN STEET, LLC TO BE LOCATED AT 6812, 6814 AND 6832 MAIN STREET AND 29 & 37 TENNYSON TERRACE IN AMHERST, NEW YORK, FOR LEASE OR SALE TO THE AGENCY AND SUBSEQUENT LEASE OR RECONVEYANCE PURSUANT TO AN INSTALLMENT SALE CONTRACT TO 6812 MAIN STREET, LLC, THE **EXECUTION OF A MORTGAGE AGREEMENT, LEASE AGREEMENTS** AND/OR INSTALLMENT SALE CONTRACT, A PILOT AGREEMENT AND THE TAKING OF OTHER ACTIONS.

WHEREAS, the Town of Amherst Industrial Development Agency (the "<u>Agency</u>") is authorized under the laws of the State of New York, and in particular the New York State Industrial Development Agency Act, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended, and Section 914-a of the General Municipal Law, as amended (collectively, the "<u>Act</u>"), to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial and research facilities and thereby advance the job opportunities, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York and to improve their prosperity and standard of living; and

WHEREAS, 6812 Main Street, LLC, for itself or for related individuals or entities (the "<u>Company</u>"), has submitted an application to the Agency requesting the Agency to undertake a certain project (the "<u>Project</u>") consisting of: (i) the acquisition of a leasehold interest in certain property located at 6812, 6814 and 6832 Main Street and 29 & 37 Tennyson Terrace in Amherst, New York (the "<u>Premises</u>"); (ii) the demolition of existing on-site structures and the construction of a five-story, mixed-use building totaling approximately 61,600 square feet and consisting of 34 apartments (seven of which will be designated for workforce housing), 14,000 square feet of first floor commercial space, and related site improvements (collectively, the "<u>Improvements</u>"); and (iii) the acquisition and installation therein, thereon or thereabout of certain machinery, equipment and related personal property (the "Equipment"); and

WHEREAS, the Company submitted an application and other materials and information (collectively, the "<u>Application</u>") to the Agency to initiate the accomplishment of the above; and

WHEREAS, the Application sets forth certain information with respect to the Company and the Project, including the following: that the Company desires Agency financing for the construction of a mixed-use building containing commercial space, apartments that will include a workforce housing component that will apply to twenty percent (20%) of units, and related on-site improvements located at 6812, 6814 and 6832 Main Street and 29 & 37 Tennyson Terrace in Amherst, New York for commercial purposes, all at a cost of \$14,370,000.00; that the Company anticipates that one (1) new full-time equivalent job will be created as a result of the Project at the end of two (2) years of operation thereof; that the Project will result in substantial capital investment; that if Agency financing is disapproved, the Company would likely not proceed with the Project; and that, therefore, Agency financing is necessary to encourage the Company to proceed with the Project; and

WHEREAS, as an added community benefit to the Town of Amherst and its residents, the Company has agreed, at its sole cost and expense, to undertake and complete the construction of playground/park-related improvements located in the Town of Amherst in the approximate amount of \$250,000 (the "<u>Park-related Improvements</u>"); and

WHEREAS, after the giving of all required notices (including published notice), the Agency held a public hearing on the Project on November 7, 2024, and has considered all oral and written presentations made at or in connection with said public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has reviewed the Application, prepared a cost-benefit analysis with respect to the Project and has evaluated the extent to which the Project will create and retain permanent, private-sector jobs, the value of tax exemptions to be provided, the amount of private sector investment generated or likely to be generated by the Project, the likelihood of accomplishing the proposed Project in a timely fashion, the extent to which the proposed Project will provide additional sources of revenue for the municipalities and school district and other public benefits that might occur as a result of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency retained Camoin Associates ("<u>Camoin</u>") to prepare an independent reasonableness assessment to evaluate whether the financial assistance to be provided by the Agency is necessary for the Project to be financially feasible, and Camoin concluded in its written report that the proposed PILOT is necessary for the Project to achieve positive cash flow; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Company with respect to the consummation of the Project, if by doing so it is able to induce the Company to proceed with the Project in the Town of Amherst; and

WHEREAS, the Company is expected to undertake and complete the Project by obtaining a conventional loan from a third party, and the Company has requested that the Agency execute any and all documents required by the parties, including any collateral mortgages on the Project given to secure a loan(s) obtained by the Company to finance the cost of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Company has completed and submitted to the Agency Part 1 of an Environmental Assessment Form ("<u>EAF</u>") in accordance with the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and regulations adopted pursuant thereto (collectively, "<u>SEQRA</u>"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency has completed Part 2 of the EAF and has considered the proposed Project and reviewed the EAF and the criteria set forth in SEQRA in order to determine whether the Project will have a significant effect on the environment and wishes to make the findings required of an agency under SEQRA.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN OF AMHERST INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Agency hereby resolves that the proposed Project will not have a significant impact on the environment for the reasons more particularly set forth in the negative

declaration prepared by the Agency and, in accordance with SEQRA, hereby adopts such negative declaration with regard to the Project. A copy of the EAF and negative declaration is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

Section 2. The Project is described in the recitals to this Resolution. The financial assistance to be provided in connection therewith include: (i) an exemption from sales and use taxes for building materials and machinery, equipment, fixtures and furnishings purchased for incorporation into or use at the Project location having a total cost not to exceed \$4,987,500.00 and which shall not include tenant finishings or equipment with respect to the non-housing elements of the Project; (ii) an exemption from mortgage recording taxes for one or more mortgages having a principal amount not to exceed \$10,770,000.00; and (iii) an abatement from real property taxes in accordance with the Agency's ten (10) year payment in lieu of tax schedule (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"). In addition to any other covenants, obligations and agreements which may be contained in the Project Documents (as hereinafter defined), the provision by the Agency of the Financial Assistance is made subject to the agreement by the Company to comply with the following covenants and agreements, each of which shall constitute a "Material Factor":

- (a) Investment of no less than \$12,214,500.00 at the Project location as noted in the Application;
- (b) Creation of one (1) direct full-time equivalent job and maintenance of employment throughout the term of the PILOT Agreement;
- (c) Compliance with the Agency's Local Labor Policy in connection with the construction of the Project; and
- (d) Maintaining twenty percent (20%) of the total housing units as workforce housing for a period of twelve (12) years; and
- (e) Construction of the Park-related Improvements, with an accompanying written certification from the Town of Amherst that such requirement has been satisfied.

Section 3. The Agency hereby determines that the Project and the financing thereof by the Agency pursuant to the New York State Industrial Development Agency Act will promote and is authorized by and will be in furtherance of the policy of the State as set forth in said Act. The Agency further determines that the Project is consistent with the Countywide Industrial Development Agency Uniform Tax Exemption Policy. The Agency makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:

The Project is for a commercial purpose within meaning of the Act and the Project will promote employment opportunities in the municipality in which the Project is to be located. The Project is located in a Town Designated Enhancement Area within the part of the Town of Amherst that has been identified as appropriate for mixed-use development of the kind proposed by the Company. The Project is generally consistent with the policies of the Town of Amherst Bicentennial Comprehensive Plan. The construction of the Project will promote employment opportunities by designating twenty percent (20%) of the housing units for workforce housing to attract and retain residents to live within the Town, which will promote economic growth and improve the neighborhood. The Project will help prevent economic deterioration through the reuse of a site that presently includes an outdated retail plaza and a single family residence that will be demolished. The Project will also provide an additional and substantial public benefit to the Town of Amherst and its

residents through the construction of the Park-related Improvements.

Section 4. The Agency hereby authorizes the Company, as agent for the Agency, to proceed with the Project as herein authorized. The Agency is hereby authorized to acquire an interest in the Project site and the buildings thereon, if any, and to make renovations or additions thereto. The Company is authorized to proceed with the acquisition and construction of the Project as set forth in any Project Agreement, the Agency Lease Agreement or Installment Sale Contract (as hereinafter defined).

Section 5. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Executive Director, Secretary, Treasurer, and any Assistant Secretary of the Agency, and other appropriate officials of the Agency and its agents and employees, are hereby authorized and directed to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out this Resolution and to complete the Project in cooperation with the Company.

The Company is authorized, as agent of the Agency, to initiate the construction Section 6. of the building and improvements constituting the Project, and the acquisition of machinery and equipment which will be a part thereof or will be used in connection therewith, and to advance such funds as may be necessary to accomplish such purposes. The designation of the Company as agent hereunder is limited to purchases of sales-taxable tangible personal property and services in connection with the Project which do not exceed a total cost of \$4,987,500.00 and shall not apply to any other purchase by the Company or any operating expenses of the Company, or any tenant finishings or equipment with respect to the non-housing elements of the Project. The Company shall report to the Agency, at such times as the Agency shall require, or as may otherwise be prescribed by the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance (the "Commissioner"), the value of all sales and use tax exemptions claimed by the Company or agents of the Company or any operators of the Project, including, but not limited to, consultants or subcontractors of such agents or Project operators under the authority granted pursuant to this Resolution. A failure to report may result in the revocation of the designation of the Company as agent and repayment of any sales and use tax exemptions claimed.

Section 7. The Agency is hereby authorized to enter into a Project Agreement with respect the provision of the Financial Assistance authorized herein (the "Project Agreement") and to acquire an interest in the Project site and construct a facility thereon, and the execution and delivery of a lease by the Company to the Agency (the "Company Lease"), an Agency Lease Agreement (the "Agency Lease Agreement") or Installment Sale Contract (the "Installment Sale Contract") between the Agency and the Company, a Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement between the Agency and the Company (the "PILOT Agreement"), and such other documents as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the parties to the transaction (collectively, the "Project Documents"), in form satisfactory to Agency counsel, are hereby authorized. The PILOT Agreement shall provide for payments in accordance with the Agency's ten (10) year payment in lieu of tax schedule. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Executive Director, Secretary, Treasurer, or any Assistant Secretary are each authorized to execute such documents and to make or approve such amendments or modifications to the Project Agreement, Company Lease, the Agency Lease Agreement, Installment Sale Contract, the PILOT Agreement and such other documents executed and delivered in connection therewith as they deem necessary under the circumstances provided, however, that such modifications do not materially alter the risk to the Agency.

Section 8. In the event the Company obtains one or more conventional loans to finance the cost of the Project, the Agency is hereby authorized to execute and deliver to the lender(s) one or more collateral mortgages on the Project given to secure such loans ("<u>Mortgage Agreement</u>"), and such other documents as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of the parties to the transaction in form satisfactory to Agency counsel provided that the aggregate amount of such mortgages subject to the Agency exemption shall not exceed \$10,770,000.00. The Chairman, Vice Chairman, Executive Director, Secretary, Treasurer, and any Assistant Secretary are each authorized to execute such collateral mortgages and to make or approve such amendment(s) or modifications to such collateral mortgages and other documents executed and delivered in connection therewith as they may deem necessary under the circumstances, provided, however, that such modifications do not materially alter the risk to the Agency.

Section 9. Any such action heretofore taken by the Company initiating the acquisition, installation and construction of the Project is hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

Section 10. Any expenses incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and the financing thereof shall be paid by the Company. By acceptance hereof, the Company agrees to pay such expenses and further agrees to indemnify the Agency, its members, employees and agents and hold the Agency and such persons harmless against claims for losses, damage or injury or any expenses or damages incurred as a result of action taken by or on behalf of the Agency with respect to the Project and the financing thereof.

Section 11. In the event a lease is not executed between the Company and the Agency by the expiration date of this Resolution (as such date may be extended as provided herein) or the termination of this Resolution, the Company shall then be required to pay all sales taxes which would have been levied in connection with the acquisition, construction and installation of all improvements of the real property and the machinery and equipment which constitute the Project, as if the Agency did not have an interest in the Project from the date the Company commenced its acquisition, construction and installation. In addition, in the event, because of the involvement of the Agency, the Company claims an exemption from state sales or use tax in connection with the Project, and such exemption is claimed with respect to property or services not authorized hereunder, or which exemption is in excess of the amounts authorized hereunder, or is otherwise not permitted under this Resolution, or if the Company shall fail to comply with a material term or condition regarding the use of property or services acquired by the Company as agent for the Agency as set forth in this Resolution or in any document authorized hereunder, then the Company shall each be required to remit to the Agency an amount equal to the amount of state sales and use taxes for which such exemption was improperly claimed. A failure to remit such amounts may result in an assessment against the Company by the Commissioner of state sales and use taxes, together with any relevant penalties and interest.

In addition to the foregoing, in the event the Agency determines that the Company is in violation of a Material Factor, or in the event that the Company closes the Project or relocates its operations to a location outside of the Town of Amherst within the time period during which the Company is receiving Financial Assistance from the Agency or in the event the Agency determines, in its judgment, that the Company knowingly and intentionally submitted false or

intentionally misleading information in its application to the Agency or in any report or certification submitted to the Agency for the purpose of obtaining or maintaining any Financial Assistance from the Agency (each referred to herein as a "Recapture Event"), the Agency may, in accordance with its policies and procedures then in effect, (i) revoke the designation of the Company and any agents of the Company (including, but not limited to, consultants, subcontractors or equipment lessors of the Company) as agents for the Agency in connection with the Project and terminate the exemption from New York State and local sales and use taxes conferred with respect to the Project and/or (ii) require that the Company, commencing with the tax fiscal year next following such Recapture Event make payments in lieu of taxes on the Project with respect to all applicable taxing authorities in such amounts as would be payable as real estate taxes levied on the Project if the Agency did not have an interest in the Project or otherwise modify the amount or terms of any Financial Assistance being provided by the Agency in connection with the Project and/or (iii) require that the Company pay to the Agency an amount equal to all or a portion (as determined by the Agency in its discretion) of the total value of (x) all sales and use tax exemptions claimed by the Company and any agents of the Company, including, but not limited to, consultants, subcontractors, or any equipment lessors of the Company under the authority granted under this Resolution and the Project Agreement, (y) any exemption from real estate taxes received by reason of the Agency's leasehold interest in the Project and/or (z) any exemption from mortgage recording tax received by reason of the Agency's involvement with the Project. If the Agency makes any of the foregoing determinations and requires a repayment of all or a portion of the Financial Assistance received by the Company, the Company shall (i) cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover or recapture any or all Financial Assistance obtained by the Company and (ii) promptly pay over any or all such amounts to the Agency that the Agency demands in connection therewith. Upon receipt of such amounts, the Agency shall then redistribute such amounts to the appropriate affected tax jurisdiction(s) unless otherwise agreed to by any affected tax jurisdiction.

Section 12. The Agency has made and makes no representation or warranty whatsoever, either express or implied, with respect to the merchantability, condition, environmental status, fitness, design, operation or workmanship of any part of the Project, its fitness for any particular purpose, the quality or capacity of the materials in the Project, or the suitability of the Project for the Company's purposes or needs. The Company is satisfied that the Project is suitable and fit for its purposes. The Agency shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever to anyone for any loss, damage or expense of any kind or nature caused, directly or indirectly, by the Project property or the use or maintenance thereof or the failure of operation thereof, or the repair, service or adjustment thereof, or by any delay or failure to provide any such maintenance, repairs, service or adjustment, or by any interruption of service or loss of use thereof or for any loss of business howsoever caused, and the Company hereby indemnifies and holds the Agency harmless from any such loss, damage or expense.

Section 13. Should the appropriate officers of the Agency determine, in their absolute discretion, that there is reason to believe that the activities of any past or present owner or operator of the Premises have resulted in the generation of any "hazardous substance" (as the term has been defined from time to time in any applicable federal or state law, rule or regulation), or that any party has stored, disposed or released any such substance on the Premises or within a one (1) mile radius thereof, the Agency shall be under no obligation to enter into a lease as contemplated by this Resolution.

Section 14. No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement herein contained or contained in the Project Agreement, Company Lease, the Mortgage Agreement, the Agency Lease Agreement, Installment Sale Contract, the PILOT Agreement or other documents, nor the breach thereof, shall constitute or give rise to or impose upon the Agency a pecuniary liability or a charge upon its general credit, nor shall be deemed to be a covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency in his or her individual capacity.

Section 15. Should the Agency's participation in the Project be challenged by any party, in the courts or otherwise, the Company shall defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Agency and its members, officers and employees from any and all losses arising from any such challenge including, but not limited to, the fees and disbursements of the Agency's counsel. Should any court of competent jurisdiction determine that the Agency is not authorized under Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law to participate in the Project, this Resolution shall automatically become null, void and of no further force and effect, and the Agency shall have no liability to the Company hereunder or otherwise.

Section 16. This Resolution shall take effect immediately and shall continue in full force and effect for one (1) year from the date hereof and on or after such one (1) year anniversary, the Agency may, at its option (a) terminate the effectiveness of this Resolution (except with respect to the obligations of the Company pursuant to Sections 10 and 11 of this Resolution which shall survive any expiration or termination) or (b) allow the Company additional time in which to close the transactions contemplated by this Resolution based upon affirmative actions taken by the Company to complete such transactions. Upon any allowance of additional time to close, the Agency may charge the Company an extension fee in accordance with the Agency's fee schedule.

Section 17. Certain construction work done under contract in connection with financial assistance from the Agency may be subject to the requirements of Section 224-a of the Labor Law of the State, including without limitation the requirement that such construction be subject to the prevailing wage requirements of Sections 220 and 220-b of the Labor Law. In addition, such construction work may be required by Section 224-a of the Labor Law to comply with the objectives and goals of minority and women-owned business enterprises pursuant to Article 15-A of the Executive Law and service-disabled veteran-owned business pursuant to Article 17-B of the Executive Law. The Company acknowledges receipt of notice pursuant to Section 8.5(d) and real property tax benefit amount referred to herein are "public funds" and not otherwise excluded under Section 224-a(3) of the New York Labor Law. The Company represents and warrants that it understands the requirements of Section 224-a of the Labor Law and the applicability of such requirements to the Project and shall comply therewith.

Section 18. This Resolution is subject to compliance with all local building and zoning requirements.

ADOPTED: January 17, 2025

ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO: _____, 2025.

6812 Main Street, LLC

By: _____

Name: Title:

<u>Exhibit A</u>

EAF and Negative Declaration

See attached.

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 1 - Project Information

Instructions for Completing

Part 1 – Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

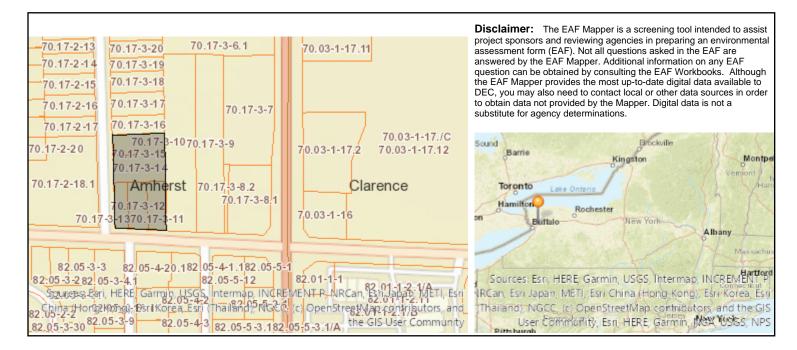
Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 – Project and Sponsor Information			
Name of Action or Project:			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):			
Brief Description of Proposed Action:			
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:	Telephone:		
	E-Mail:		
Address:			
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:	
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, NO YE administrative rule, or regulation?			
If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.			
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other government Agency? NO YI If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval: Image: Comparison of the proposed action requires a permit or approval. Image: Comparison of the proposed action requires a permit or approval. YI			
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?			
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:			
5. Urban Rural (non-agriculture) Industrial Commercia	ial Residential (subur	rban)	
☐ Forest Agriculture Aquatic Other(Spec □ Parkland	ecify):		

5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?			
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?			
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?		NO	YES
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7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area?		NO	YES
If Yes, identify:			
		NO	YES
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?			
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?			
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action?			
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements?		NO	YES
If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:			
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?		NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing potable water:			
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?		NO	YES
If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment:			
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or distric	t	NO	YES
which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Parister of Historic Places?			
State Register of Historic Places? A copy of the No Impact Determination Letter issued by SHPO is provided at Attachment "A" b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?			
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?		NO	YES
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody?			
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres:			

14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply:		
□Shoreline □ Forest Agricultural/grasslands Early mid-successional		
Wetland 🗆 Urban Suburban		
15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?	NO	YES
rederal government as threatened or endangered?		
16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?	NO	YES
17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources?	NO	YES
If Yes,		
a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties?		
b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe:		
18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water	NO	YES
or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment:		
49. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste	NO	YES
management facility? If Yes, describe:		
20.Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or	NO	YES
completed) for hazardous waste? If Yes, describe:		
11 Tes, describe		
I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE		
Applicant/monocr/momo		
Applicant/sponsor/name: Date: Date:		
Signature: <u>Geon Hopkins</u> Title:		

EAF Mapper Summary Report



Part 1 / Question 7 [Critical Environmental Area]	No
Part 1 / Question 12a [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites]	Yes
Part 1 / Question 12b [Archeological Sites]	Yes
Part 1 / Question 13a [Wetlands or Other Regulated Waterbodies]	No
Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal]	No
Part 1 / Question 16 [100 Year Flood Plain]	No
Part 1 / Question 20 [Remediation Site]	No

Attachment A of Short Environmental Assessment Form – SHPO No Impact Determination Letter dated March 11, 2024



KATHY HOCHUL Governor RANDY SIMONS Commissioner Pro Tempore

March 11, 2024

Scott Marshall Principal Planner Town of Amherst 5583 Main Street Williamsville, NY 14221

Re: DEC

Proposed Mixed Use "The Chuck" 6812 Main St, Town of Amherst, Erie County, NY 24PR02011

Dear Scott Marshall:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP). We have reviewed the project in accordance with the New York State Historic Preservation Act of 1980 (Section 14.09 of the New York Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law). These comments are those of the OPRHP and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources. They do not include potential environmental impacts to New York State Parkland that may be involved in or near your project.

Based upon this review, it is the opinion of OPRHP that no properties, including archaeological and/or historic resources, listed in or eligible for the New York State and National Registers of Historic Places will be impacted by this project.

If further correspondence is required regarding this project, please be sure to refer to the OPRHP Project Review (PR) number noted above. If you have any questions, please contact Sydney Snyder at the following email address:

Sydney.Snyder@parks.ny.gov

Sincerely,

Same Me

R. Daniel Mackay

Deputy Commissioner for Historic Preservation Division for Historic Preservation

Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project: Date:

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 2 - Impact Assessment

Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

		No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1.	Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	 ✓ 	
2.	Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	~	
3,	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?		
4.	Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	•	
5.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	~	
6.	Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	~	
7.	Will the proposed action impact existing: a. public / private water supplies?	~	
	b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?		
8.	Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	~	
9.	Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	~	
10.	Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	~	
11.	Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	~	

Agen	cy Use Only [If applicable]
Project:	

Date:

Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

The project redevelops an existing commercial plaza on a State arterial (Main Street - Route 5) that was orginally developed in the 1970's. The mixed use project that will be constructed on the site after the demolition and site work has a goal of improving pedestrian connections at the property and its connection to the larger transportation system.

that the proposed action may result in one or more environmental impact statement is required.	information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, cant adverse environmental impacts.
Town of Amherst Industrial Development Agency	November 14, 2024
Name of Lead Agency	Date
David Mingoia	Executive Director/CEO
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agen	cy Title of Responsible Officer
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)