

Tompkins County Industrial Development Agency

Administration provided by Ithaca Area Economic Development

Minutes of Public Hearing

Green Street Development Partners, LLC (The Ithacan)

December 8, 2020 @ 2:00pm

Via Zoom live streamed to YouTube

Present: Heather McDaniel (for Tompkins County IDA), Rich John, Martha Robertson, Laura Lewis, Anne Koreman (TCIDA Board), James Trasher, Jeffrey Rimland (Green Street Development Partners, LLC)

1. Heather McDaniel called the public hearing to order at 2:00pm.
2. Heather McDaniel gave an overview of the project and the proposed incentive.
3. There were no requests to speak from the public.
4. Comments that were received were read into the records

William Guerrero

Dear Tompkins IDA Board, On behalf of Ithaca College (IC), I would like to provide support for the Jeffrey Rimland and Ithaca Redevelopment Partners, LLC project in downtown Ithaca. As a member of the Ithaca Area Economic Board (IAED) I wanted to acknowledge this fact if there is any potential conflict of interest. I also wanted to acknowledge that IC is a current partner with Jeffrey Rimland with the much-publicized project where Ithaca College has signed a 10-year lease commencing on 1/1/21 in the adjoining space previously held by the Finger Lake School of Massage for our new Physician Assistant program. I did not want to provide my perspective without recognizing these potential conflicts of interest although I believe this project greatly enhances IC's success not only in our PA program to continue to draw positive attention Ithaca to support our recruitment and retention efforts for students, faculty, and staff.

Overall the following are benefits of the project from my perspective:

- Replaces a parking lot at no cost to tax payers while proving new jobs and affordable housing that will enhance IC community experience for visiting parents, alumni and Board of Trustees.
- Allows for enhanced experience for our PA clinic faculty, staff, students and patients.
- Compliments the future conference center, which will draw attention to IC and offer tremendous experiential learning opportunities for our students.
- Adds adjacent residential units which will augment our offering for our PA graduate students and other current and future programs. Please let me know if you require any additional information.

Sincerely, William Guerrero Vice President for Finance & Administration Ithaca College

5. The hearing was adjourned at 2:15 pm.