Motion By:
Seconded By:

Rogulski

## FINAL RESOLUTION

(Leentjes Amusements Corp. (d/b/a The Castle) Project)

A regular meeting of the Orange County Industrial Development Agency was held on April 14, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. (local time) at The Accelerator, 4 Crotty Lane, Suite 100, New Windsor, New York 12553.

After the meeting had been duly called to order, the Chairman announced that among the purposes of the meeting was to consider and take action on certain matters pertaining to a proposed project for the benefit of Leentjes Amusements Corp. (d/b/a The Castle) (the "Company").

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO (i) TAKE A LEASEHOLD INTEREST IN A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT 109-115 BROOKSIDE AVENUE IN THE VILLAGE AND TOWN OF CHESTER, ORANGE COUNTY, NEW YORK (THE "LAND"); (ii) APPOINT LEENTJES AMUSEMENTS CORP. (D/B/A THE CASTLE) AS ITS AGENT TO UNDERTAKE A CERTAIN PROJECT AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BELOW; (iii) NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT, LEASEBACK AGREEMENT AND RELATED TAX AGREEMENT; (iv) PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE COMPANY IN THE FORM OF (A) A SALES AND USE TAX EXEMPTION FOR PURCHASES AND RENTALS RELATED TO THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF THE PROJECT, (B) A PARTIAL REAL PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT THROUGH THE TAX AGREEMENT; AND (C) IF NECESSARY, A PARTIAL MORTGAGE RECORDING TAX EXEMPTION FOR FINANCING RELATED TO THE PROJECT; AND (v) EXECUTE RELATED DOCUMENTS.

WHEREAS, by Title I of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, as amended, and Chapter 390 of the Laws of 1972 of the State of New York, as amended (hereinafter collectively called the "Act"), the **ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** (hereinafter called the "Agency") was created with the authority and power to own, lease and sell property for the purpose of, among other things, acquiring, constructing and equipping civic, industrial, manufacturing and commercial facilities as authorized by the Act; and

WHEREAS, LEENTJES AMUSEMENTS CORP. (D/B/A THE CASTLE), for itself or on behalf of an entity to be formed (the "Company"), has submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency requesting the Agency's assistance with respect to a certain project (the "Project") consisting of: (A) the acquisition or retention by the Agency of a leasehold interest in a portion of a parcel of land located at 109-115 Brookside Avenue in the Village and Town of Chester, Orange County, New York [TMID #s: Part of 107-2-14.2 and Part of 107-2-15] (collectively, the "Land") and the existing improvements thereon consisting principally of two 18-hole mini-golf courses, go-kart track, climbing wall, arcade, batting cages, a roller skating rink,

laser tag area, 200-seat restaurant, rock climbing area and indoor arcade (collectively the "Existing Improvements"); (B)(i) the removal of the existing batting cages to make room for new rides and (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 15,000 square-foot addition to the existing building to accommodate new rides, arcade equipment, inflatable bounces, digital billboards and related improvements and equipment in furtherance of the Company's existing amusement park (collectively, the "Improvements"); and (C) the acquisition in and around the Improvements of certain items of equipment, machinery and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment" and, collectively with the Land, the Existing Improvements and the Improvements, the "Facility"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 859-a, on April 13, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. local time, on the 1<sup>st</sup> Floor of the Welcome Center at The Castle Fun Center, 109 Brookside Avenue, Chester, New York 10918, the Agency held a public hearing with respect to the Project and the proposed financial assistance being contemplated by the Agency (the "Public Hearing") whereat interested parties were provided a reasonable opportunity, both orally and in writing, to present their views. A copy of the Minutes of the Public Hearing along with the Notice of Public Hearing published and forwarded to the affected taxing jurisdictions ten (10) days prior to said Public Hearing are attached hereto as **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that the Agency will (i) designate the Company as its agent for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and equipping the Facility pursuant to an agent agreement (the "Agent Agreement"), (ii) negotiate and enter into a lease agreement (the "Lease Agreement"), leaseback agreement (the "Leaseback Agreement") and payment-in-lieu-of-tax agreement (the "Tax Agreement") with the Company (the abatement under such Tax Agreement to be in amount equal to the abatement available to the Company as a matter of right under New York Real Property Tax Law Section 485-b), (iii) take title to or a leasehold interest in the Land, the Improvements, the Equipment and personal property constituting the Project (once the Lease Agreement, Leaseback Agreement and Tax Agreement have been negotiated), and (iii) provide financial assistance to the Company in the form of (a) a sales and use tax exemption for purchases and rentals related to the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project, (b) a partial real property tax abatement through the Tax Agreement, and (c) if necessary, a mortgage recording tax exemption for financing related to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act, Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and 6 N.Y.C.R.R. Part 617 (collectively referred to as "SEQRA"), on April 13, 2015 the Village of Chester Planning Board (the "Planning Board"), as Lead Agency pursuant to SEQRA, issued a negative declaration (the "Negative Declaration") with respect to the Project, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, the Lease Agreement, Leaseback Agreement, Tax Agreement and related documents have been negotiated and are presented to this meeting for approval and execution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Company has presented an application in a form acceptable to the Agency. Based upon the representations made by the Company to the Agency in the Company's application and other correspondence submitted by the Company to the Agency, the Agency hereby finds and determines that:

- (A) By virtue of the Act, the Agency has been vested with all powers necessary and convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of the Act and to exercise all powers granted to it under the Act; and
- (B) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to appoint the Company as its agent for purposes of acquiring, constructing and equipping the Project; and
- (C) The Agency has the authority to take the actions contemplated herein under the Act; and
- (D) The action to be taken by the Agency will induce the Company to develop the Project, thereby increasing employment opportunities in Orange County and otherwise furthering the purposes of the Agency as set forth in the Act; and
- (E) The Project will not result in the removal of a civic, commercial, industrial, or manufacturing plant of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project from one area of the State of New York (the "State") to another area of the State or result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Company or any other proposed occupant of the Project located within the State; and the Agency hereby finds that, based on the Company's application, to the extent occupants are relocating from one plant or facility to another, the Project is reasonably necessary to discourage the Project occupants from removing such other plant or facility to a location outside the State and/or is reasonably necessary to preserve the competitive position of the Project occupants in their respective industries; and
- (F) The Planning Board has issued a Negative Declaration with respect to the Project. The Project is a "Type II" Action as said term is defined under SEQRA and therefore, no further action need be taken. The review is uncoordinated. Based upon the review by the Agency of the Negative Declaration and related documents delivered by the Company to the Agency and other representations made by the Company to the Agency in connection with the Project, the Agency hereby ratifies the Planning Board's findings that (i) the Project will result in no major impacts and, therefore, is one which may not cause significant damage to the environment; (ii) the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" as such quoted terms are defined in SEQRA; and (iii) no "environmental impact statement" as such quoted term is defined in SEQRA, need be prepared for this action. This determination constitutes a negative declaration for purposes of SEQRA.
- Section 2. Subject to the Company executing the Agent Agreement and the delivery to the Agency of a binder, certificate or other evidence of liability insurance policy for the Project satisfactory to the Agency, the Agency hereby authorizes the Company to proceed with the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project and hereby appoints the Company as the true and lawful agent of the Agency: (i) to acquire, construct and equip the Project; (ii) to make, execute, acknowledge and deliver any contracts, orders, receipts, writings and instructions, as the stated agent for the Agency with the authority to delegate such agency, in whole or in part, to agents, subagents, contractors, and subcontractors of such agents and subagents and to such other parties as the Company chooses; and (iii) in general, to do all things which may be requisite or proper for completing the Project, all with the same powers and the same validity that the Agency could do if acting in its own behalf; provided, however, the Agent Agreement shall expire on

December 31, 2017 (unless extended for good cause by the Executive Director of the Agency) if the Lease Agreement, Leaseback Agreement and Tax Agreement contemplated have not been executed and delivered.

Based upon representations and warranties made by the Company in the Section 3. Application, the Agency hereby authorizes and approves the Company, as its agent, to make purchases of goods and services relating to the Project, that would otherwise be subject to New York State and local sales and use tax in an amount up to \$2,000,000, which result in New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits ("sales and use tax exemption benefits") not to exceed \$162,500. The Agency agrees to consider any requests by the Company for increase to the amount of sales and use tax exemption benefits authorized by the Agency upon being provided with appropriate documentation detailing the additional purchases of property or services. Pursuant to Section 875(3) of the New York General Municipal Law, the Agency may recover or recapture from the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, any sales and use tax exemption benefits taken or purported to be taken by the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, if it is determined that: (i) the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, is not entitled to the sales and use tax exemption benefits; (ii) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are in excess of the amounts authorized to be taken by the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project; (iii) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are for property or services not authorized by the Agency as part of the Project; or (iv) the sales and use tax exemption benefits are taken in cases where the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, fails to comply with a material term or condition to use property or services in the manner approved by the Agency in connection with the Project. As a condition precedent of receiving sales and use tax exemption benefits, the Company, its agents, consultants, subcontractors, or any other party authorized to make purchases for the benefit of the Project, shall (i) cooperate with the Agency in its efforts to recover or recapture any sales and use tax exemption benefits, and (ii) promptly pay over any such amounts to the Agency that the Agency demands.

Section 4. The Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or the Executive Director of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to negotiate and execute (A) the Lease Agreement whereby the Company leases the Project to the Agency, (B) the related Leaseback Agreement conveying the Project back to the Company, and (C) the Tax Agreement; provided, that, (i) the rental payments under the Leaseback Agreement include payments of all costs incurred by the Agency arising out of or related to the Project and indemnification of the Agency by the Company for actions taken by the Company and/or claims arising out of or related to the Project; and (ii) the terms of the Tax Agreement are consistent with the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy or the procedures for deviation have been complied with.

Section 5. The Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or Executive Director of the Agency are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver any mortgage, assignment of leases and rents, security agreement, UCC-1 Financing Statements and all documents reasonably contemplated by these resolutions or required by any lender identified by the Company (the "Lender") up to a maximum principal amount necessary to undertake the Project, acquire the Facility and/or finance or refinance equipment and other personal property and related

transactional costs (hereinafter, with the Lease Agreement, Leaseback Agreement and Tax Agreement are collectively referred to as, the "Agency Documents"); and, where appropriate, the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Agency is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Agency, if any, to the Agency Documents and to attest the same, all with such changes, variations, omissions and insertions as the Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or Executive Director of the Agency shall approve, the execution thereof by the Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or Executive Director of the Agency to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval; provided in all events recourse against the Agency is limited to the Agency's interest in the Project.

Section 6. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency 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 resolutions and to cause compliance by the Agency with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the documents executed for and on behalf of the Agency.

Section 7. These Resolutions shall take effect immediately.

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

	<u>Yea</u>	Nay	Absent	<u>Abstain</u>
D 1 4 T A 1 1				
Robert T. Armistead				
Mary Ellen Rogulski	V			
Stephen Brescia	V			
John Steinberg, Jr.	V			
Henry VanLeeuwen				
Robert J. Schreibeis, Sr.	V			
Edward A. Diana				

The Resolutions were thereupon duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK )
COUNTY OF ORANGE ) ss:

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Orange County Industrial Development Agency, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the foregoing extract of the minutes of the meeting of the Orange County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") including the resolution contained therein, held on April 14, 2016, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Agency and of such resolution set forth therein and of the whole of said original insofar as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all members of said Agency 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 Article 7.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that as of the date hereof, the attached resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or modified.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of said Agency this 4 day of April, 2016.

Stephen Bressia, Secretary

## Exhibit A

## Public Hearing Minutes & Notice of Public Hearing

[See Attached]

## Exhibit B

Negative Declaration Issued by the Planning Board of the [Village/Town of Chester]

[See Attached]