

LEGAL NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the New York State Urban Development Corporation, doing business as Empire State Development (“ESD” or the “Corporation”), pursuant to Section 16(2) of the New York State Urban Development Corporation Act (Chapter 174, Section 1, Laws of 1968, as amended) (the “Act”), has adopted a General Project Plan (the “Plan”) with respect to the project listed below. Copies of the Plan(s) are available without charge to any person who shall make a request.

The Corporation will file such Plan(s) in the office of the County Clerk of each Project location. A copy of the Plan is also on file at the principal office of the Corporation, 633 Third Avenue, New York, New York 10017, and is available for inspection by request. Send email requests to: Landprojectcomments@esd.ny.gov

Subject: 1. Tom James / Hickey Freeman (Capital and Working Capital Grant). Information regarding the Project is also provided below with the project listing.

Subject: 2. Plan – Rochester Riverside Convention Center Capital II – Upstate Revitalization Initiative (Capital Grant). Information regarding the Project is also provided below with the project listing.

Subject: 3. Plan – Special Touch Bakery Expansion Capital– Regional Council Capital Fund (Capital Grant). Information regarding the Project is also provided below with the project listing.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that, a virtual public hearing to consider the Plan(s), open to all persons, will be held remotely by the Corporation on **Thursday, November 9, 2023 from 2:00pm to 3:00pm** utilizing the Zoom video communications and teleconferencing platform. Detailed instructions for participation in the virtual hearing can be viewed at <https://esd.ny.gov/esd-media-center/public-notices>. Additionally, the public is given an opportunity to comment on the Project(s) by submitting comments electronically to Landprojectcomments@esd.ny.gov

Subject: 1. Comment – Tom James / Hickey Freeman (Capital and Working Capital Grant).

Subject: 2. Comment – Rochester Riverside Convention Center Capital II – Upstate Revitalization Initiative (Capital Grant)

Subject: 3. Comment – Special Touch Bakery Expansion Capital– Regional Council Capital Fund (Capital Grant) by 5:30 p.m. on **Thursday, November 9, 2023**.

Tom James / Hickey Freeman (Capital and Working Capital Grant) – Upstate Revitalization Initiative, Round 1, Rochester (Finger Lakes Region – Monroe County) – ESD proposes a grant of up to \$7,000,000 for the Tom James Company to acquire assets and ownership of the (former) Hickey-Freeman clothing manufacturing facility, including the purchase of new machinery, refurbishment of select existing machinery, and other working capital expenses needed to establish Tom James Company’s operations in New York State and grow manufacturing operations at the Rochester facility. Total project cost is \$15,000,000. There are 245 direct jobs associated with the project.

Rochester Riverside Convention Center Capital II – Upstate Revitalization Initiative (Capital Grant) – Rochester (Finger Lakes Region – Monroe County) - \$3,600,000 grant for a portion of the cost of construction/renovation and soft costs to upgrade the Rochester Riverside Convention Center including expanding the north face of the building to better engage with Main Street, widening the existing south terrace to improve public access to the riverfront, preparing the terrace for a future trail extension, and rehabilitatating the existing river wall and exterior building envelope. Total project cost is \$10,000,000. There are no direct jobs associated with the project.

Special Touch Bakery Expansion Capital – Regional Council Capital Fund (Capital Grant) – Rochester (Finger Lakes Region – Monroe County) – ESD proposes to make a \$49,500 grant to be used for a portion of the cost of machinery and equipment and soft costs associated with expansion of the bakery at 1999 Mt. Read Blvd, Rochester. As a result of the upgrades, the production went from 20,000 pies annually to over one million pies. Total project cost is \$248,000. There are no direct jobs associated with the project.

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New York, New York

New York State Urban Development Corporation
By: Deborah Royce, Corporate Secretary