

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AGENDA

Monday, March 18, 2024 5:00 PM Council Chambers 70 S. Clayton St, GA 30046

Call to Order

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

- 1. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for February 12, 2024
- 2. Approval of Executive Session Minutes for February 12, 2024

Downtown Development Business

- 3. March 2024 Treasurer's Report
- 4. 101 E. Crogan Street Land Purchase Agreement
- 5. Termination of RIO Transaction
- 6. Retail Strategies

Mainstreet Business

Other Business

Citizen Comments

Executive Session - Real Estate

Final Adjournment



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Fiscal Impact: none

Presented By: Chairman Lee Merritt

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Fiscal Impact: none

Presented By: Board Member Perry Ward, Treasurer

Action Requested: March 2024 Treasurer's Report

Summary: March 2024 Treasurer's Report

Attachment:

• March 2024 Treasurer's Report

Downtown Development Authority of Lawrenceville Report date 03/01/24 Since Our Last Meeting

03/01/24

Checking Account (978)

	Date	Description	Check #	Deposits	Withdrawals	Balance
	02/01/24	Balance from last meeting				\$276,035.35
	02/06/24	C & C Fence Co	7		\$1,114.20	\$274,921.15
	02/06/24	Croft - concept plan for 168 S. Clayton Street	1058		\$6,000.00	\$268,921.15
	02/07/24	Boulder Creek Rent		\$4,057.46		\$274,160.44
	02/07/24	Stop payment charge - Billinglsey, Retter & Assoc.	240209		\$36.00	\$274,012.41
	02/09/24 Mixed Drink tax- November		240219	\$13,165.39		\$287,177.80
	02/14/24	City of Lawrenceille - Depot utilities	8		\$194.56	\$286,983.24
	02/20/24	Billingsley, Retter & Associates- replacement check	240223		\$1,200.00	\$285,783.24
	02/23/24	Mixed Drink tax- December		\$19,448.88		\$305,232.12
	02/29/24	Interest		\$22.80		\$305,254.92
Report		Totals	_	\$36,694.53	\$8,544.76	
	03/01/24	Actual Account Balance	e			\$305,254.92

Money Market	Account - City \$1M (9	95)	Check/Ref #			
	Date Description			Deposits	Withdrawals	Balance
	03/01/24	Balance from last meeting	240207			\$258,636.52
	02/07/24	Lawrenceville Utility -135 Clayton St			\$ 60.00	\$ 258,576.52
	02/15/24	Mahaffey Pickens Tucker- 101 E. Crogan earnest			\$ 5,000.00	\$253,576.52
	02/15/24	Wire fee for 101 E. Crogan earnest money			\$ 30.00	\$ 253,546.52
	02/29/24	Interest		\$41.47		\$253,587.99
		Totals	-	\$41.47	\$ 5,090.00	\$253,587.99

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	Date	Description		Deposits Withdrawals	Balance
	002/01/24	Balance from last meeting			\$1,334.38
	02/29/24	Interest		\$0.10	\$1,134.48
		Totals	•	\$0.00	

Actual Account Balance

03/01/24 Actual Account Balance \$1,134.48



AGENDA REPORT

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• 101 E. Crogan Street Land Purchase Agreement





1. K	2024 Printing KEY TERMS AND CONDITIONS										
	 Purchase and Sale. The undersigned buyer(s) ("Buyer") agree to buy and the undersigned seller(s) ("Seller") agree to sell the real property described below including all fixtures, improvements and landscaping therein ("Property") on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. a. Property Identification: Address: 										
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12	Br	okerage Relationship	s in this Transaction.						4.	
	a.	Buyer's Broker is	RE/MAX Legends	and is:	b.	Seller's Broker is _	RE/MAX Legends	and	الب	
	(1) representing Buyer as a client.					(1) X representing S	Seller as a client.			
		(2) X working with Bu	uyer as a customer.			(2) \square working with §	Seller as a customer.			
		(3) acting as a dua	l agent representing Buyer ar	nd Seller.		(3) acting as a du	al agent representing Buyer ar	ıd Sell	er.	
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		has been assigned	I to exclusively represent Buy	er.		has been assigne	ed to exclusively represent Sell	er.		
	c.	Material Relationship	Disclosure: The material re	•	rec		by either Broker are as follows	:		
13.	Ti	me Limit of Offer. The	Offer set forth herein expires a	ıt	o'clo	ckm. on the date				
	Buyer(s) Initials Seller(s) Initials									
B. I	UR	THER EXPLANATION	S TO CORRESPONDING PA	ARAGRAP	HS I	N SECTION A.				

1. Purchase and Sale.

- a. Warranty: Seller warrants that at the time of Closing Seller will convey good and marketable title to said Property by limited warranty deed subject only to: (1) zoning; (2) general utility, sewer, and drainage easements of record as of the Binding Agreement Date and upon which the improvements do not encroach; (3) declarations of condominium and declarations of covenants, conditions and restrictions of record on the Binding Agreement Date; and (4) leases and other encumbrances specified in this Agreement. Buyer agrees to assume Seller's responsibilities in any leases specified in this Agreement.
- b. Examination: Buyer may examine title and/or obtain a survey of the Property and furnish Seller with a written statement of title objections at or prior to the Closing. If Seller fails or is unable to satisfy valid title objections at or prior to the Closing or any unilateral extension thereof, which would prevent the Seller from conveying good and marketable title to the Property, then Buyer, among its other remedies, may terminate the Agreement without penalty upon written notice to Seller. Good and marketable title as used herein shall mean title which a title insurance company licensed to do business in Georgia will insure at its regular rates, subject only to standard exceptions.
- c. Title Insurance: Buyer hereby directs any mortgage lender involved in this transaction to quote the cost of title insurance based upon the presumption that Buyer will be obtaining an enhanced title insurance policy, if such a policy can be issued on the Property or for the Buyer in this transaction.
- 2. <u>Acreage</u>. Buyer or Seller can terminate this Agreement if the Seller's estimate of the total acreage to be sold to Buyer is at least 15% more or less than the estimate.
- 3. Purchase Price to be Paid by Buyer. The purchase price shall be paid in U.S. Dollars by such method of delivery acceptable to the Closing Attorney including, but not limited to, wire transfer of immediately available funds. If the purchase price is stated as a price per acre, the acreage shall be determined by a survey obtained in the accordance with the procedure below ("Controlling Survey"). The total purchase price shall be determined by multiplying the total number of acres, to the nearest one one-thousandth of an acre as determined by a survey prepared by a registered Georgia surveyor. In the event the Seller is in possession of a survey, to which Buyer agrees in writing shall constitute the Controlling Survey, then said survey be controlling as the exact amount of the acreage being purchased and sold herein. If no survey exists or the existing survey is not acceptable, then a new survey shall be prepared. If there are no objections to the new survey, then the new survey shall be the Controlling Survey to determine the acreage being purchased and sold herein. If there is a dispute by either party regarding the new survey, the dispute shall be resolved in accordance with the Survey Resolution Exhibit attached hereto.

Buyer warrants that Buyer will have sufficient cash at Closing that will allow Buyer to complete the purchase of Property. Buyer does not need to sell or lease other real property in order to complete the purchase of Property. Where this Agreement refers to sales price, it shall mean the same thing as the purchase price.

4. Closing Costs and Prorations.

- a. Seller's Contribution at Closing: At Closing, Seller shall make the referenced Seller's Monetary Contribution which Buyer may use to pay any cost or expense of Buyer related to this transaction, including without limitation, any commission obligations of Buyer. Buyer acknowledges that Buyer's mortgage lender(s) may not allow the Seller's Monetary Contribution, or the full amount thereof, to be used for some costs or expenses. In such event, any unused portion of the Seller's Monetary Contribution shall remain the property of the Seller.
- b. Additional Items Paid by Seller: In addition to the above, the Seller shall also pay the fees and costs of the Closing Attorney: (1) to prepare and record title curative documents; (2) for Seller not attending the Closing in person; and (3) to handle and deliver Seller's payoffs and proceeds.
- c. Items Paid by Buyer: At Closing, Buyer shall pay: (1) Georgia property transfer tax; (2) the cost to search title and tax records and prepare the limited warranty deed; and (3) all other costs, fees and charges to close or relating to the transaction.

d. Prorations: Ad valorem property taxes, community association fees, solid waste and governmental fees and utility bills for w service cannot be terminated as of the date of Closing shall be prorated as of the date of Closing. Notwithstanding any provisid the contrary, in the event ad valorem property taxes are based upon an estimated tax bill or tax bill under appeal, Buyer and Seller shall, upon the issuance of the actual tax bill or the appeal being resolved, promptly make such financial adjustments between themselves as are necessary to correctly prorate the tax bill. In the event there are tax savings resulting from a tax appeal, third party professional costs to handle the appeal may be deducted from the savings for that tax year before re-prorating. Any pending tax appeal for the year in which the Property is sold shall be deemed assigned to Buyer at Closing. The liability to the county and if applicable, city, in which the Property is located for ad valorem real property taxes for the year in which the Property is sold shall be assumed by Buyer upon the Closing of the Property. Buyer agrees to indemnify Seller against any and all claims of the county and if applicable, city, for unpaid ad valorem real property taxes for the year in which the Property is sold. In addition, if Buyer's change in the ownership or use of the Property will result in rollback taxes being owed (because preferential tax treatment of the Property for agricultural purposes can no longer be received) then Seller shall be solely responsible for the payment of all rollback taxes at Closing. Notwithstanding the above, in the event Buyer warrants to Seller herein that Buyer's use or ownership of the Property will qualify for a continuation of the preferential tax treatment of the Property as agricultural property, and Buyer is found to no longer qualify for the same, Buyer shall indemnify and hold Seller harmless from and against all liability for rollback taxes.

5. Closing Date and Possession.

- a. Right to Extend the Closing Date: Buyer or Seller may unilaterally extend the Closing Date for eight (8) days upon notice to the other party given prior to or on the date of Closing if: (1) Seller cannot satisfy valid title objections (excluding title objections that: (a) can be satisfied through the payment of money or by bonding off the same; and (b) do not prevent Seller from conveying good and marketable title, as that term is defined herein, to the Property); (2) Buyer's mortgage lender (including in transactions where the financing contingency has expired) or the Closing Attorney is delayed and cannot fulfill their respective obligations by the date of Closing, provided that the delay is not caused by Buyer; or (3) Buyer has not received required estimates or disclosures and Buyer is prohibited from closing under federal regulations. The party unilaterally extending the Closing Date shall state the basis for the delay in the notice of extension. If the right to unilaterally extend the Closing Date is exercised once by either the Buyer or Seller, the right shall thereafter terminate.
- b. Keys and Openers: At Closing, Seller shall provide Buyer with all keys, door openers, fobs, access cards, codes and other similar equipment allowing access to the Property, the community, and community amenities. In the event Seller is required to return the above items to a third-party, Seller shall provide Buyer with instructions on how to contact the third-party to obtain such items.
- 6. Closing Law Firm. Buyer shall have the right to select the Closing Attorney to close this transaction, and hereby selects the Closing Attorney referenced herein. In all cases where an individual Closing Attorney is named in this Agreement but the Closing Attorney is employed by or an owner, shareholder, or member in a law firm, the law firm shall be deemed to be the Closing Attorney. If Buyer's mortgage lender refuses to allow that Closing Attorney to close this transaction, Buyer shall select a different Closing Attorney acceptable to the mortgage lender. The Closing Attorney shall represent the mortgage lender in any transaction in which the Buyer obtains mortgage financing. In transactions where the Buyer does not obtain mortgage financing, the Closing Attorney shall represent the Buyer in preparing the Closing documents, attempting to clear title of the Property to the satisfaction of the title insurance company, conducting the Closing, disbursing funds according to the settlement statement signed by the parties and Closing Attorney, timely recording deeds and issuing an owner's title insurance policy. Other than those services specifically listed above, nothing herein shall obligate the Closing Attorney to perform other legal services, including, but not limited to, certifying or warranting title of the Property, for the Buyer, except pursuant to a separate engagement agreement signed by the Closing Attorney and the Buyer.
- 7. Holder of Earnest Money. The earnest money will be paid to Holder in a method of payment acceptable to the Holder. Holder has the right to charge Buyer for any cost associated with receiving of earnest money. Such charge shall be collected separately from the payment of earnest money. The earnest money will be deposited into Holder's escrow/trust account (with Holder being permitted to retain the interest if the account is interest bearing) not later than: (a) five (5) banking days after the Binding Agreement Date hereunder or (b) five (5) banking days after the date it is actually received if it is received after the Binding Agreement Date. If Buyer writes a check or pays with an ACH for earnest money and the same is deposited into Holder's escrow/trust account, Holder shall not return the earnest money until the check or ACH has cleared the account on which the check was written or from which the ACH was sent. In the event any earnest money check is dishonored by the bank upon which it is drawn, or earnest money is not timely paid, Holder shall promptly give notice of the same to Buyer and Seller. Buyer shall have three (3) banking days from the date of receiving the notice to cure the default and if Buyer does not do so, Seller may within seven (7) days thereafter terminate this Agreement upon notice to Buyer. If Seller fails to terminate the Agreement timely, Seller's right to terminate based on the default shall be waived.

8. Earnest Money.

a. Entitlement to Earnest Money: Subject to the paragraph below, Buyer shall be entitled to the earnest money upon the: (1) failure of the parties to enter into a binding agreement; (2) failure of any unexpired contingency or condition to which this Agreement is subject; (3) termination of this Agreement due to the default of Seller; or (4) termination of this Agreement in accordance with a specific right to terminate set forth in the Agreement. Otherwise, the earnest money shall be applied towards the purchase price of the Property at Closing or if other funds are used to pay the purchase price then the earnest money shall be returned to Buyer.

- b. Disbursement of Earnest Money: Holder shall disburse the earnest money upon: (1) the Closing of the Property; (2) a subseq written agreement of Buyer and Seller; (3) an order of a court or arbitrator having jurisdiction over any dispute involving the ear money; or (4) the failure of the parties to enter into a binding agreement (where there is no dispute over the formation or enforceability of the Agreement). In addition, Holder may disburse the earnest money upon a reasonable interpretation of the Agreement, provided that: 1) Holder first gives all parties at least ten (10) days notice stating to whom and why the disbursement will be made; and 2) no interpretation shall be made by Holder dividing the earnest money between Buyer and Seller. Any party, real estate licensee or any other person having knowledge of or an interest in the disbursement of the earnest money may object to or provide information regarding the proposed disbursement by giving written notice of the same to Holder within the above referenced notice period. Objections not timely made in writing shall be deemed waived. If Holder receives an objection or other information and, after considering it, decides to disburse the earnest money as originally proposed, Holder may do so and send notice to the parties of Holder's action. If Holder decides to modify its proposed disbursement, Holder shall first send a new ten (10) day notice to the parties stating the rationale for the modification and to whom the disbursement will now be made. Holder shall disburse the earnest money to Seller by check in the event Holder: (1) makes a reasonable interpretation of the Agreement that the Agreement has been terminated due to Buyer's default; and (2) sends the required ten (10) day notice of the proposed disbursement to Buyer and Seller. The abovereferenced check shall constitute liquidated damages in full settlement of all claims of Seller against Buyer and the Brokers in this transaction. Holder may require Seller to sign a W-9 before issuing a check to Seller for liquidated damages of \$600 or more. Such liquidated damages are a reasonable pre-estimate of Seller's actual damages, which damages the parties agree are difficult to ascertain and are not a penalty.
- c. Interpleader: If an earnest money dispute cannot be resolved after a reasonable time, Holder may interplead the earnest money into a court of competent jurisdiction if Holder is unsure who is entitled to the earnest money. Holder shall be reimbursed for and may deduct its costs, expenses and reasonable attorney's fees from any funds interpleaded. The prevailing defendant in the interpleader lawsuit shall be entitled to collect its attorney's fees, court costs and the amount deducted by Holder to cover Holder's costs and expenses from the non-prevailing defendant.
- d. Hold Harmless: All parties hereby covenant and agree to: (1) indemnify and hold Holder harmless from and against all claims, injuries, suits and damages (collectively, "Claims") arising out of the performance by Holder of its duties, including Claims caused, in whole or in part, by the negligence of the Holder; (2) not to sue Holder for any decision of Holder to disburse earnest money in accordance with this Agreement.

9. Inspection and Due Diligence.

- a. Buyer's Right to Inspect Property: Unless otherwise specified herein, the Property is being sold in "as-is" condition with any and all faults. Therefore, Buyer and/or Buyer's representative(s) have the right to carefully inspect the Property to make sure it meets the needs of the Buyer. If Buyer is concerned that the Property may have been used as a laboratory for the production of methamphetamine, or as a dumpsite for the same, Buyer should review the National Clandestine Laboratory Register -Georgia at www.dea.gov.
- b. Buyer's Right to Inspect Neighborhood: In every neighborhood there are conditions which different buyers may find objectionable. Buyer is solely responsible for becoming familiar with neighborhood conditions of concern to Buyer that could affect the Property such as landfills, guarries, power lines, airports, cemeteries, prisons, stadiums, odor and noise producing activities, crime and school, land use, government and transportation maps and plans. If Buyer is concerned about the possibility of a registered sex offender residing in a neighborhood in which Buyer is interested, Buyer should review the Georgia Violent Sex Offender Registry available on the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Website at www.gbi.georgia.gov.
- c. Buyer's Inspection Rights Continue through Closing: Upon prior notice to Seller, Buyer and/or Buyer's representatives shall have the continuing right through Closing to enter the Property at Buyer's expense and at reasonable times to, among other things, and without limitation, conduct inspections, examinations, evaluations, appraisals, surveys and tests, meet contractors and vendors, measure for renovations, determine the condition of the Property and confirm that any agreed upon repairs have been made. Seller shall cause all utilities, systems and equipment to be on and all parts of the house to be accessible, including basements, attics, and crawlspaces so that Buyer may complete all inspections.
- d. Buyer's Inspection Indemnification Obligations: Buyer agrees to hold Seller and all Brokers harmless from all claims, injuries and damages related to the exercise of the above inspection rights by Buyer and Buyer's representatives, and Buyer shall promptly pay Seller the actual cost to restore any portion of the Property damaged or disturbed from testing or other evaluations to a condition equal to or better than the condition it was prior to such testing or evaluations. Notwithstanding the above, this indemnification obligation shall not apply to damage resulting from defects in the Property uncovered during the inspection of the Property.
- e. Due Diligence Period: If the Property is being sold subject to a Due Diligence Period, then: a) this Agreement shall be an option contract during which time Buyer shall have the option, for any reason or for no reason, to terminate this Agreement upon notice to the Seller given prior to the expiration of the Due Diligence Period, in which case Buyer shall be entitled to a return of Buyer's earnest money without penalty; b) Buyer may, during the Due Diligence Period, seek to amend this Agreement to address any concerns Buyer has with the Property or this Agreement; and c) if Buyer has not terminated this Agreement as set forth above, Buyer shall accept the Property in "as-is" condition, subject to any amendment to this Agreement to address concerns agreed to by the parties.
- f. Seller's Duty to Disclose: Seller shall disclose to Buyer any and all known latent or hidden defects in the Property that could not be discovered by the Buyer during a reasonably careful inspection of the Property.
- Warranties Transfer: Seller agrees to transfer to Buyer, at Closing, subject to Buyer's acceptance thereof (and at Buyer's expense, if there is any cost associated with said transfer), Seller's interest in any existing manufacturer's warranties, service contracts, termite treatment and/or repair guarantee and/or other similar warranties which, by their terms, may be transferable to Buyer.
- h. Repairs: All agreed upon repairs and replacements shall be performed in a good and workmanlike manner prior to Closing unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Buyer and Seller.

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(1) Tax and Title:

- i. Most recent Property tax assessments and tax bills.
- ii. The most recent title insurance policy insuring the Property, including complete and legible copies of all documents (whether or not recorded) which are referenced as title exceptions.
- ii. The most recent ALTA (American Land Title Association) survey of the Property, or if such a survey is not available, the most recent survey of the Property prepared by a licensed Georgia surveyor.
- iv. A list of special assessment districts in which the Property is located and the schedule of unpaid or pending assessments if any.
- v. A schedule of impact fees paid or owed on the Property, if any.

(2) Environmental and Assessments:

- i. All soil reports covering the Property or any portion thereof.
- ii. All cruise reports of existing timber on the Property.
- iii. All environment (hazardous substances), engineering, physical inspection, marketing and feasibility studies, assessments and reports, including wetlands reports.

(3) Leases:

An executed copy of every lease of or affecting the Property or any portion thereof.

(4) Miscellaneous:

- i. A schedule of management fees due in connection with any agreements pertaining to the Property.
- ii. All municipal, county, state or federal permits, licenses and authorizations affecting the use, operation, and maintenance of the Property."
- 10. Sellers Warranties and Representations. Except to the extent provided in this Agreement, Seller warrants as follows:
 - a. Authority. Seller has the right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement and to convey Property in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement; and the persons executing this Agreement on behalf of Seller have been duly and validly authorized by Seller to execute and deliver this Agreement and have the right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement and bind Seller.
 - b. Bankruptcy. Seller represents and warrants that Seller is solvent and has not made a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or been adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, nor has a receiver, liquidator or trustee of Seller or any of its respective properties (including Property) been appointed or a petition filed by or against Seller for bankruptcy, reorganization or arrangement pursuant to the Federal Bankruptcy Act or any similar federal or state statute, or any proceeding instituted for the dissolution or liquidation of Seller.
 - **c. Condemnation.** Seller has not been notified that any condemnation or other taking by eminent domain of Property or any portion thereof has been instituted and, to the best of Seller's knowledge, there are no pending or threatened condemnation or eminent domain proceedings (or proceedings in the nature or in lieu thereof) affecting Property or any portion thereof or its use.
 - d. Hazardous Substances. To the best of Seller's knowledge, (1) no "hazardous substances", as that term is defined in the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, or any other pollutants, toxic materials, or contaminants have been or shall prior to Closing be discharged, disbursed, released, stored, treated, generated, disposed of, or allowed to escape on Property in violation of applicable law; (2) no underground storage tanks are located on the Property or were located on the Property and subsequently removed or filled; (3) Property has not previously been used as a gas station, cemetery, landfill, or as a dump for garbage or refuse; and (4) Property has not previously been and is not currently listed on the Georgia Environmental Protection Division Hazardous Site. Seller has not received any notice or demand from any governmental or regulatory agency or authority requiring Seller to remove any hazardous substances or contaminants or toxic materials from Property.
 - e. Leases. Other than those leases provided by Seller to Buyer as part of the Due Diligence Materials, there are no other leases of or affecting the Property or any portion thereof and Seller will not enter into any new leases without the written permission of Buyer.
 - f. No Litigation. There are no actions, suits, or proceedings pending or, to the best of Seller's knowledge, threatened by any organization, person, individual, or governmental agency against Seller with respect to Property or against Property, or with respect thereto, nor does Seller know of any basis for such action. Seller also has no knowledge of any currently pending application for changes in the zoning applicable to Property or any portion thereof.
 - g. Pre-Existing Right to Acquire. No person or entity has any right or option to acquire Property or any portion thereof, which will have any force of effect after execution hereof, other than Buyer.
 - h. Proceedings Affecting Access. Seller has not been notified that there are any pending proceedings that could have the effect of impairing or restricting access between Property and adjacent public roads and, to the best of Seller's knowledge, no such proceedings are pending or threatened.
 - i. Violations. To the best of Seller's knowledge, there are no violations of laws, municipal or county ordinances or other legal requirements with respect to Property (excluding any improvements constructed thereon).
- 11. <u>Assignment</u>. In the event Buyer has the right to assign this Agreement, the assignment shall not release Buyer of any of its obligations or liabilities hereunder. Notice of such assignment shall be provided to Seller at least five (5) days prior to Closing.

12. Brokerage Relationships in this Transaction.

- **a. Agency Disclosure:** No Broker in this transaction shall owe any duty to Buyer or Seller greater than what is set forth in their brokerage engagements and the Brokerage Relationships in Real Estate Transactions Act, O.C.G.A. § 10-6A-1 et. seq.;
 - (1) No Agency Relationship: Buyer and Seller acknowledge that: a) if they are not represented by Brokers in a client relationship, they are each solely responsible for protecting their own interests, and that Broker's role is limited to performing ministerial acts for that party; and b) if the same brokerage firm is representing one party as a client and working with the other party as a customer, the Broker and all of Broker's affiliated licensees are representing the client.

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- i. Dual Agency Disclosure: [Applicable only if Broker is acting as a dual agent in this transaction.]
 - (a) As a dual agent, Broker is representing two clients whose interests are or at times could be different or even adverse;
 - (b) Broker will disclose all adverse material facts relevant to the transaction and actually known to the dual agent to all parties in the transaction except for information made confidential by request or instructions from each client which is not otherwise required to be disclosed by law;
 - (c) Buyer and Seller do not have to consent to dual agency and the consent of Buyer and Seller to dual agency has been given voluntarily and the parties have read and understand their brokerage engagement agreements.
 - (d) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained herein Buyer and Seller each hereby direct Broker while acting as a dual agent to keep confidential and not reveal to the other party any information which could materially and adversely affect their negotiating position.
- **ii. Designated Agency Disclosure:** If Broker in this transaction is acting in a designated agency capacity, where one licensee of Broker is exclusively representing Buyer and another licensee of Broker is exclusively representing Seller, Buyer and Seller consent to the same and acknowledge that each designated agent shall exclusively represent the party to whom each has been assigned as a client and shall not represent the client assigned to the other designated agent in this transaction.
- b. Brokerage: Unless otherwise specified herein, the real estate commissions owing to the Seller's Broker and Buyer's Broker, if any, are being paid pursuant to separate brokerage engagement agreements. Buyer and Seller agree that any commissions to be paid to Broker(s) shall be shown on the settlement statement and collected by Closing Attorney as a pre-condition to Buyer and Seller closing of Property so long as the same is permitted by Buyer's mortgage lender, if any. The Closing Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to pay the Broker(s) at Closing, their respective commissions pursuant to written instructions from the Broker(s). If the sale proceeds are insufficient to pay the full commission, the party owing the commission shall pay any shortfall at Closing. The acceptance by the Broker(s) of a partial real estate commission at the Closing shall not relieve the party owing the same from paying the remainder after the Closing (unless the Broker(s) have expressly agreed in writing to accept the amount paid in full satisfaction of the Broker(s) claim to a commission). The Brokers herein are signing this Agreement to reflect their role in this transaction and consent to act as Holder if either of them is named as such. This Agreement and any amendment thereto shall be enforceable even without the signature of any Broker referenced herein. The broker(s) are express third-party beneficiaries to this Agreement.
- c. Disclaimer: Buyer and Seller have not relied upon any advice or representations of Brokers other than what is included in this Agreement. Brokers shall have no duty to determine whether the identities of the Buyer and/or Seller are legitimate, inspect the Property for defects, hazardous conditions, repairs or any other matter or to advise Buyer or Seller on any matter relating to the Property which could have been revealed through a survey, appraisal, title search, Official Georgia Wood Infestation Report, utility bill review, septic system inspection, well water test, tests for radon, asbestos, mold, methamphetamine, and lead-based paint; moisture test of stucco or synthetic stucco, inspection of the Property by a professional, construction expert, structural engineer or environmental engineer; review of this Agreement and transaction by an attorney, financial planner, mortgage consultant or tax consultant; and consulting appropriate governmental officials to determine, among other things and without limitation, the zoning of Property, the propensity of the Property to flood, flood zone certifications, whether any condemnation action is pending or has been filed or other nearby governmental improvements are planned. Buyer and Seller acknowledge that Broker does not perform or have expertise in any of the above tests, inspections, and reviews or in any of the matters handled by the professionals referenced above. Buyer and Seller should seek independent expert advice regarding any matter of concern to them relative to the Property and this Agreement. Buyer and Seller acknowledge that Broker shall not be responsible to monitor, supervise, or inspect any construction or repairs to Property and such tasks clearly fall outside the scope of real estate brokerage services. If Broker has written any special stipulations herein, the party for whom such special stipulations were written: a) confirms that each such stipulation reflects the party's complete understanding as to the substance and form of the special stipulations; b) hereby adopts each special stipulation as the original work of the party; and c) hereby agrees to indemnify and hold Broker who prepared the stipulation harmless from any and all claims, causes of action, suits, and damages arising out of or relating to such special stipulation. Buyer acknowledges that when and if Broker answers a question of Buyer or otherwise describes some aspect of the Property or the transaction, Broker is doing so based upon information provided by Seller rather than the independent knowledge of Broker (unless Broker makes an independent written disclosure to the contrary).
- 13. <u>Time Limit of Offer</u>. The Time Limit of the Offer shall be the date and time referenced herein when the Offer expires unless prior to that date and time both of the following have occurred: (a) the Offer has been accepted by the party to whom the Offer was made; and (b) notice of acceptance of the Offer has been delivered to the party who made the Offer.

C. OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. Notices.

a. Generally: All notices given hereunder shall be in writing, legible and signed by the party giving the notice. In the event of a dispute regarding notice, the burden shall be on the party giving notice to prove delivery. The requirements of this notice paragraph shall apply even prior to this Agreement becoming binding. Notices shall only be delivered: (1) in person; (2) by courier, overnight delivery service or by certified or registered U.S. mail (hereinafter collectively "Delivery Service"); or (3) by e-mail or facsimile. The person delivering or sending the written notice signed by a party may be someone other than that party.

- b. Delivery of Notice: A notice to a party shall be deemed to have been delivered and received upon the earliest of the following occur: (1) the actual receipt of the written notice by a party; (2) in the case of delivery by a Delivery Service, when the written notice delivered to an address of a party set forth herein (or subsequently provided by the party following the notice provisions herein), provided that a record of the delivery is created; (3) in the case of delivery electronically, on the date and time the written notice is electronically sent to an e-mail address or facsimile number of a party herein (or subsequently provided by the party following the notice provisions herein) even if it is not opened by the recipient. Notice to a party shall not be effective unless the written notice is sent to an address, facsimile number or e-mail address of the party set forth herein (or subsequently provided by the party following
- c. When Broker Is Authorized to Accept Notice for Client: Except where the Broker is acting in a dual agency capacity, the Broker and any affiliated licensee of the Broker representing a party in a client relationship shall be authorized agents of the party for the limited purpose of receiving notice and such notice to any of them shall for all purposes herein be deemed to be notice to the party. Notice to an authorized agent shall only be effective if the written notice is sent to an address, facsimile number or e-mail address of the authorized agent set forth herein (or subsequently provided by the authorized agent following the notice provisions herein) whether or not it is not opened by the recipient. Except as provided for herein, the Broker's staff at a physical address set forth herein of the Broker or the Broker's affiliated licensees are authorized to receive notices delivered by a Delivery Service. The Broker, the Broker's staff and the affiliated licensees of the Broker shall not be authorized to receive notice on behalf of a party in any transaction in which a brokerage engagement has not been entered into with the party or in which the Broker is acting in a dual agency capacity. In the event the Broker is practicing designated agency, only the designated agent of a client shall be an authorized agent of the client for the purposes of receiving notice.

2. Default.

the notice provisions herein).

- a. Remedies of Seller: In the event this Agreement fails to close due to the default of Buyer, Seller's sole remedy shall be to retain the earnest money as full liquidated damages. Seller expressly waives any right to assert a claim for specific performance. The parties expressly agree that the earnest money is a reasonable pre-estimate of Seller's actual damages, which damages the parties agree are difficult to ascertain. The parties expressly intend for the earnest money to serve as liquidated damages and not as a penalty.
- b. Remedies of Buyer: In the event this Agreement fails to close due to the default of Seller, Buyer may either seek the specific performance of this Agreement or terminate this Agreement upon notice to Seller and Holder, in which case all earnest money deposits and other payments Buyer has paid towards the purchase of the Property shall be returned to Buyer following the procedures set forth elsewhere herein.
- c. Rights of Broker: In the event this Agreement is terminated or fails to close due to the default of a party hereto, the defaulting party shall pay as liquidated damages to Broker in this transaction the commission the Broker would have received had the transaction closed. For purposes of determining the amount of liquidated damages to be paid by the defaulting party, all written agreements establishing the amount of commission to be paid to any broker involved in this transaction are incorporated herein by reference. The liquidated damages referenced above are a reasonable pre-estimate of the Broker(s) actual damages and are not a penalty.
- d. Attorney's Fees: In any litigation or arbitration arising out of this Agreement, including but not limited to breach of contract claims between Buyer and Seller and commission claims brought by a broker, the non-prevailing party shall be liable to the prevailing party for its reasonable attorney's fees and expenses.
- 3. Risk of Damage to Property. Seller warrants that at the time of Closing the Property and all items remaining with the Property, if any, will be in substantially the same condition (including conditions disclosed in the Seller's Property Disclosure Statement or Seller's Disclosure of Latent Defects and Fixtures Checklist) as of the Offer Date, except for changes made to the condition of Property pursuant to the written agreement of Buyer and Seller. At time of possession, Seller shall deliver Property clean and free of trash, debris, and personal property of Seller not identified as remaining with the Property. Notwithstanding the above, if the Property is destroyed or substantially destroyed prior to Closing, Seller shall promptly give notice to Buyer of the same and provide Buyer with whatever information Seller has regarding the availability of insurance and the disposition of any insurance claim. Buyer or Seller may terminate this Agreement without penalty not later than fourteen (14) days from receipt of the above notice. If Buyer or Seller do not terminate this Agreement, Seller shall assign at Closing all of its rights to receive the proceeds from all insurance policies affording coverage for the claim. If the insurance proceeds are paid prior to Closing, the amount of such proceeds shall be credited against the purchase price of the Property.

4. Other Provisions.

- a. Condemnation: Seller shall: (1) immediately notify Buyer if the Property becomes subject to a condemnation proceeding; and (2) provide Buyer with the details of the same. Upon receipt of such notice, Buyer shall have the right, but not the obligation for 7 days thereafter, to terminate this Agreement upon notice to Seller in which event Buyer shall be entitled to a refund of all earnest money and other monies paid by Buyer toward the Property without deduction or penalty. If Buyer does not terminate the Agreement within this time frame, Buyer agrees to accept the Property less any portion taken by the condemnation and if Buyer closes, Buyer shall be entitled to receive any condemnation award or negotiated payment for all or a portion of the Property transferred or conveyed in lieu of condemnation.
- b. Consent to Share Non-Public Information: Buyer and Seller hereby consent to the Closing Attorney preparing and distributing an American Land Title Association ("ALTA") Estimated Settlement Statement-Combined or other combined settlement statement to Buyer, Seller, Brokers and Brokers' affiliated licensees working on the transaction reflected in this Agreement for their various uses.
- c. Duty to Cooperate: All parties agree to do all things reasonably necessary to timely and in good faith fulfill the terms of this Agreement. Buyer and Seller shall execute and deliver such certifications, affidavits, and statements required by law or reasonably requested by the Closing Attorney, mortgage lender and/or the title insurance company to meet their respective requirements.
- **d. Electronic Signatures:** For all purposes herein, an electronic or facsimile signature shall be deemed the same as an original signature; provided, however, that all parties agree to promptly re-execute a conformed copy of this Agreement with original signatures if requested to do so by, the buyer's mortgage lender or the other party.

- e. Entire Agreement and Modification: This Agreement constitutes the sole and entire agreement between all of the par supersedes all of their prior written and verbal agreements and shall be binding upon the parties and their successors, heirs permitted assigns. No representation, promise or inducement not included in this Agreement shall be binding upon any party hereto. This Agreement may not be amended or waived except upon the written agreement of Buyer and Seller. Any agreement to terminate this Agreement or any other subsequent agreement of the parties relating to the Property must be in writing and signed by the parties. This Agreement may not be listed for sale in a multiple listing service by Buyer prior to Closing except with the written approval of Seller which may be withheld for any reason or no reason.
- f. Extension of Deadlines: No time deadline under this Agreement shall be extended by virtue of it falling on a Saturday, Sunday or federal holiday except for the date of Closing.
- g. FIRPTA Affidavit: Unless Seller is a "foreign person", as that term is defined in Section 1445(f)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, Seller shall deliver to the Closing Attorney at Closing a FIRPTA (Foreign Investment in Real Property Tax Act) Affidavit indicating that Seller is not a "foreign person". If Seller is a "foreign person", additional taxes may need to be withheld at Closing.
- h. GAR Forms: The Georgia Association of REALTORS®, Inc. ("GAR") issues certain standard real estate forms. These GAR forms are frequently provided to the parties in real estate transactions. No party is required to use any GAR form. Since these forms are generic and written with the interests of multiple parties in mind, they may need to be modified to meet the specific needs of the parties using them. If any party has any questions about his or her rights and obligations under any GAR form, he or she should consult an attorney. Provisions in the GAR Forms are subject to differing interpretations by our courts other than what the parties may have intended. At times, our courts may strike down or not enforce provisions in our GAR Forms, as written. No representation is made that the GAR Forms will protect the interests of any particular party or will be fit for any specific purpose. The parties hereto agree that the GAR forms may only be used in accordance with the licensing agreement of GAR. While GAR forms may be modified by the parties, no GAR form may be reproduced with sections removed, altered or modified unless the changes are visible on the form itself or in a stipulation, addendum, exhibit or amendment thereto.
- i. Governing Law and Interpretation: This Agreement may be signed in multiple counterparts each of which shall be deemed to be an original and shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of Georgia. No provision herein, by virtue of the party who drafted it, shall be interpreted less favorably against one party than another. All references to time shall mean the time in Georgia. If any provision herein is held to be unenforceable, it shall be severed from this Agreement while the remainder of the Agreement shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, continue to have full force and effect as a binding contract.
- No Authority to Bind: No Broker or affiliated licensee of Broker, by virtue of this status, shall have any authority to bind any party hereto to any contract, provisions therein, amendments thereto, termination thereof or to notices signed by Broker but not the party. However, if authorized in this Agreement, Broker shall have the right to accept notices on behalf of a party (but not send notices from Broker on behalf of a party unless they are signed by the party). Additionally, any Broker or real estate licensee involved in this transaction may perform the ministerial act of filling in the Binding Agreement Date. In the event of a dispute over the Binding Agreement Date, it shall be resolved by a court or arbitrator having jurisdiction over the dispute, by the written agreement of the Buyer and Seller, or by the Holder but only in making a reasonable interpretation of the Agreement in disbursing earnest money.
- k. Notice of Binding Agreement Date: The Binding Agreement Date shall be the date when a party to this transaction who has accepted an offer or counteroffer to buy or sell real property delivers notice of that acceptance to the party who made the offer or counteroffer in accordance with the Notices section of the Agreement. Notice of the Binding Agreement Date may be delivered by either party (or the Broker working with or representing such party) to the other party. If notice of accurate Binding Agreement Date is delivered, the party receiving notice shall sign the same and immediately return it to the other party. Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary contained in this Agreement, it is the express intent of this section that (1) a broker or licensee involved in the real estate transaction may perform the ministerial task of filling in the Binding Agreement Date and (2) sending a fully signed purchase and sale agreement with a specific Binding Agreement Date included, that one of the parties has agreed to, constitutes notice of the Binding Agreement Date to the other party.
- I. Objection to Binding Agreement Date: If the Buyer or Seller objects to the date entered as the Binding Agreement Date, then within one (1) day from receiving notice of Binding Agreement Date, the party objecting shall send notice of the objection to the other party. The objection shall be resolved by the written amendment between the Buyer and Seller by executing a binding agreement date confirmation (F733). The absence of an agreement on the Binding Agreement Date shall not render this Agreement unenforceable. The failure of a party to timely object will result in the parties accepting the Binding Agreement Date as entered.
- m. Rules for Interpreting This Agreement: In the event of internal conflicts or inconsistencies in this Agreement, the following rules for how those conflicts or inconsistencies shall be resolved will apply:
 - Handwritten changes shall control over pre-printed or typed provisions;
 - (2) Exhibits shall control over the main body of the Agreement;
 - (3) Special Stipulations shall control over both exhibits and the main body of the Agreement;
 - (4) Notwithstanding the above, the Amendatory Clause in any FHA or VA exhibit shall control over inconsistent or conflicting provisions contained in another exhibit or a special stipulation.
 - (5) Notwithstanding the above, the Amendatory Clause in the FHA or VA Exhibit shall control over inconsistent or conflicting provisions contained elsewhere in this Agreement. Buyer and Seller acknowledge and agree that the "Further Agreement Pertaining to Amendatory Clause" section in the FHA or VA Exhibits does not conflict and is not inconsistent with the Amendatory Clause.
- n. Statute of Limitations: All claims of any nature whatsoever against Broker(s) and/or their affiliated licensees, whether asserted in litigation or arbitration sounding in breach of contract and/or tort, must be brought within two (2) years from the date any claim or cause of action arises. Such actions shall thereafter be time-barred.
- o. Survival of Agreement: The following shall survive the Closing of this Agreement: (1) the obligation of a party to pay a real estate commission; (2) any warranty of title; (3) all written representations of Seller in this Agreement regarding the Property or neighborhood in which the Property is located; (4) Buyer's indemnification obligations arising out of the inspection of the Property by Buyer and Buyer's representatives; (5) the section on condemnation; (6) the section on attorney's fees; (7) the obligations of the parties regarding ad valorem real property taxes; and (8) any obligations which the parties herein agree shall survive the Closing or may be performed or fulfilled after the Closing.

- p. Terminology: As the context may require in this Agreement: (1) the singular shall mean the plural and vice versa; and (2 pronouns shall mean and include the person, entity, firm, or corporation to which they relate.
- q. Time of Essence: Time is of the essence of this Agreement.

5. Definitions.

- **a. Banking Day**: A "Banking Day" shall mean a day on which a bank is open to the public for carrying out substantially all of its banking functions. For purposes herein, a "Banking Day" shall mean Monday through Friday excluding federal holidays.
- b. Binding Agreement Date: The "Binding Agreement Date" shall be the date when a party to this transaction who has accepted an offer or counteroffer to buy or sell real property delivers notice of that acceptance to the party who made the offer or counteroffer in accordance with the Notices section of the Agreement. Once that occurs, this Agreement shall be deemed a Binding Agreement.
- c. Broker: In this Agreement, the term "Broker" shall mean the licensed Georgia real estate broker(s) or brokerage firm(s) and their affiliated licensees in this transaction unless the context would indicate otherwise.
- **d. Business Day**: A "Business Day" shall mean a day on which substantially all businesses are open for business. For all purposes herein, a "Business Day" shall mean Monday through Friday excluding federal holidays.
- e. Client: "Client" shall mean a party who is being represented by a Broker pursuant to a written brokerage engagement agreement.
- f. Closing: The Closing shall be the event in which the parties consummate the transaction set forth in this Agreement by: (1) the Seller tendering the deed referenced herein to the Property; (2) the Buyer paying the required consideration hereunder; (3) both parties properly signing all documents and paperwork as required by the Closing Attorney; and (4) both parties fulfilling other agreements set forth herein that must be fulfilled by the Closing (unless the same have been waived or amended). The Closing shall be deemed consummated when the Closing Attorney confirms to the parties that the Closing Attorney is in receipt of all required paperwork, funds, and approvals necessary to complete the transaction and directs for funds to be disbursed and documents to be recorded. All parties acknowledge that the deed will not normally be recorded in the lands records on the day of Closing, and the payment of the sales proceeds may not always be made to Seller on the day of Closing (even though the Closing has been consummated) due to certain circumstances such as, for example, the Seller not being at the Closing in person, the Closing occurring after the cutoff for wiring funds that day, or the terms of an escrow agreements signed by the Seller have not been fulfilled resulting in which a portion of Seller's funds being held back.
- **g.** Customer: The term "Customer" shall mean a party or parties who are not being represented as clients by the Broker with whom the party or parties are working and for whom the Broker may only perform ministerial acts.
- h. Day: For the purposes of this Agreement, the term "Day" shall mean a full calendar day ending at 11:59 p.m., except as may be provided for elsewhere herein. For the purposes of counting days for determining deadlines, the specific date referenced as either the Binding Agreement Date or the date from which the deadline shall be counted will be day zero.
- i. Material Relationship: A material relationship shall mean any actually known personal, familial, social, or business relationship between the broker or the broker's affiliated licensees and any other party to this transaction which could impair the ability of the broker or affiliated licensees to exercise fair and independent judgment relative to their client.
- j. Use of Initials "N/A": The use of the initials "N/A" or "N.A." in filling out a blank in this Agreement shall mean "not applicable"
- 6. Property Not Being Sold for Value of Any Improvements on Land. Buyer acknowledges that the Property may contain certain incidental improvements such as existing homes, barns, fences, outbuildings and wells. Buyer acknowledges that the Property is being purchased for the value of the land rather than the value of any improvements presently located thereon. All improvements are being sold in "as-is" condition. Buyer acknowledges that the improvements on the Property, if any, may be in need of significant repair, may contain defective conditions and may not have been constructed or used in accordance with all applicable laws. Since the condition of any existing improvements is immaterial to Buyer's decision to purchase the Property, Seller shall have no responsibility to make any disclosures or repairs relative to the same. Buyer covenants not to sue Seller with respect to any matter relating to the condition of said improvements and agrees to indemnify and hold Seller harmless with respect to the same. Buyer expressly waives: (1) any and all rights to inspect and test for lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards for not less than ten (10) days from the Binding Agreement Date; and (2) the right not to be contractually obligated under this Agreement until the above time period has lapsed.
- 7. WARNING TO BUYERS AND SELLERS: BEWARE OF CYBER-FRAUD. Fraudulent e-mails attempting to get the buyer and/or seller to wire money to criminal computer hackers are increasingly common in real estate transactions. Specifically, criminals are impersonating the online identity of the actual mortgage lender, Closing Attorney, real estate broker or other person or companies involved in the real estate transaction. In that role, the criminals send fake wiring instructions attempting to trick buyers and/or sellers into wiring them money related to the real estate transaction, including, for example, the buyer's earnest money, the cash needed for the buyer to close, and/or the seller's proceeds from the Closing. These instructions, if followed, will result in the money being wired to the criminals. In many cases, the fraudulent email is believable because it is sent from what appears to be the email address/domain of the legitimate company or person responsible for sending the buyer or seller wiring instructions. The buyer and/or seller should verify wiring instructions sent by email by independently looking up and calling the telephone number of the company or person purporting to have sent them. Buyers and sellers should never call the telephone number provided with wiring instructions sent by email since they may end up receiving a fake verification from the criminals. Buyer and sellers should be on special alert for: 1) emails directing the buyer and/or seller to wire money to a bank or bank account in a state other than Georgia; and 2) emails from a person or company involved in the real estate transaction that are slightly different (often by one letter, number, or character) from the actual email address of the person or company.

9.	HEIGHTENED IDENTIFICATION PROCEDURES TO HELP PREVENT FRAUD; COVENANT NOT TO SUE: There has significant increase in criminals attempting to sell properties they do not own by posing as the owners of those properties. prevent such crimes, Seller shall immediately, upon request of either the Seller's Broker and/or the Closing Attorney: 1) pro requesting party with information confirming the Seller's identity, including a current government issued photo identification; 2) person or through audio-visual conferencing to confirm the Seller's identity; and 3) if the Seller is a legal entity, provide the reparty with the organizational and operating documents of such entity and current photo identification and either meet in-personaudio-visual meeting with the executor, manager, trustee, general partner, officer, administrator, or other person in a comparabe the legal entity to confirm their identity. Seller further agrees to cooperate with the Closing Attorney's heightened identification prowhich shall at least meet the standards, if any, supplied by a title insurance company for whom the Closing Attorney is an ager acknowledges that the transaction may not be able to close unless such procedures are followed. In the event Seller brea obligations hereunder, Seller shall be in default of this Agreement. Buyer acknowledges that identity theft may occur regardles measures undertaken by the parties, their respective brokers and the attorney(s) involved in the transaction to confirm the identity. For and in consideration of \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, Buyer covenants not to sue any Broker(s) and/or the Closing Attorney involved in this real estate transaction for darising out of or relating to a fraudulent seller. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY, BUYER AND SELLER ACKNOWLEDGE THAT BROKER(S): a. SHALL, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES, HAVE ANY LIABILITY GREATER THAN THE AMOUNT OF THE REAL Estates.	To vide the) meet in questing son or in ble role of ocedures nt. Seller aches its ss of the Seller's s hereby damages
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Exhibit A - Legal Description

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STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF WALTON

THIS DEED is made as of March 12, 2015, between

STATE BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, a Georgia banking corporation

LIMITED WARRANTY DEED

SUPERIOR COURT

("Grantor") and

21 NOVA, INC.

("Grantee") (the words "Grantor" and "Grantee" to include their respective heirs, successors and assigns where the context requires or permits)

WITNESSETH That Grantor, for and in consideration of TEN AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$10 00) and other good and valuable consideration in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold, ellened, conveyed and confirmed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell, alien, convey, and confirm unto Grantee the tollowing described real property (the "Property"), to-wit

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 148 of the 5th District of Gwinnett County, Georgia, containing 0 359 acres, more or less, according to a boundary survey for Jeffrey Hanna, dated May 25, 2006, prepared by Georgia Premier Land Surveying, Inc., and being more particularly described according to said survey as follows:

BEGINNING at a concrete monument located at the Southeasterly end of the mitre formed by the intersection of the Northerty right of way line of Crogan Street (60 foot right of way) and the Easterly right of way line of S R 20 Connector (variable right of way) and run thence along said mitre North 04 degrees 07 minutes 34 seconds West a distance of 2 68 feet to a point located at the Northwesterly end of said mitre, run thence along the right of way line of S R 20 Connector North 01 degrees 14 minutes 50 seconds East a distance of 187 12 feet to an iron set; leaving said right of way line run thence North 86 degrees 03 minutes 51 seconds East a distance of 84 20 feet to an iron pin set; run thence South 04 degrees 08 minutes 39 seconds East a distance of 170 29 feet to a rebar found with cap located on the Northerty right of way line of Crogan Street (60 foot right of way), run thence along aid right of way line South 88 degrees 43 minutes 56 seconds West a distance of 99 91 feet to a concrete monument found at the Southeasterly end of the mitre formed by the Intersection of the Northerly right of way line of Crogan Street (60 foot right of way) and the Easterly right of way line of S R 20 Connector (variable right of way), which monument marks the TRUE PLACE OR POINT OF BEGINNING

The above property being the same property as described in that certain Warranty Deed recorded in Deed Book 153, page 515, Gwinnett County, Georgia Records

Less and Except any portion of the property contained within the Right of Way Deed recorded in Deed Book 18080, page 194, Gwinnett County, Georgia Records

Subject to all easements and restrictions of record

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the Property with all and singular the rights, members and appurtenances thereof, to the same being, belonging, or in anywise appertaining, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of Grantee, forever, in FEE SIMPLE, subject, however, to all liens, exceptions, easements, rights-of-way, covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, encroachments, protrusions, shortages in area, boundary disputes and discrepancies, matters which could be discovered or would be revealed by, respectively, an inspection or current survey of the Property, encumbrances, impositions (monetary and otherwise), access limitations, licenses, leases, prescriptive rights, rights of parties in possession, rights of tenants, co-tenants, or other co-owners, and any and all other matters or conditions affecting the Property, as well as standby fees, real estate taxes, and assessments on the Property for the current year and prior and subsequent years, and subsequent taxes and assessments for prior years due to change in land usage or ownership, and any and all zoning laws, regulations, and ordinances of municipal and other governmental authorities affecting the Property (all of the foregoing being collectively referred to as the "Permitted Encumbrances").

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AND Grantor will warrant and forever defend the right and title to the Property unto Grantee against the claims of all persons claiming by, through or under Grantor, but not otherwise, provided, however, that Grantor's conveyance of the Property and Grantor's warranties of title contained in this Deed are and shall be subject to the Permitted Encumbrances

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has caused the Deed to be executed and delivered under seal as of the date first written above

As to signatory on behalf of Grantor, signed, sealed and delivered in

the presence of

Notary Public (Affix seal and commission expiration date)

GRANTOR:

STATE BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, a Georgia

banking corporation

William C. Boyajai Attomey-In-Fact

(Corporate Seal)

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION BARBARA S. SCOTT, RIGHT OF WAY SECTION P.O. BOX 1057, GAINESVILLE, GEORGIA 30503 RIGHT OF WAY DEED

GEORGIA, GWINNETT COUNTY

Exhibit B - Right of Way Deed

PROJECT NO. MLP-20(100) P.I. NO. 161900

THIS CONVEYANCE made and executed the 24 day of MARCH 195

WITNESSETH that WILNER FORD SAMMON, the undersigned (hereinafter referred to as "Grantor"), is the owner of a tract of land in GWINNETT COUNTY through which the State Route 20 Connector, known as Project No. MLP-20(100), has been laid out by the Department of Transportation being more particularly described in a map and drawing of said road in the office of the Department of Transportation, No. 2 Capitol Square, Atlanta, Georgia, to which reference is hereby made.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the benefit to said property by the construction and maintenance of said road, and in consideration of ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00), in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Grantor does hereby grant, sell and convey to said Department of Transportation, and their successors in office so much land as to make a right of way for said road as surveyed, being more particularly described as follows:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 146 of the 5th Land District of Gwinnett County, Georgia, and being more particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference.

Said right of way is hereby conveyed, consisting of 0.03 acres, more or less, as shown colored yellow on the plat of the property prepared by the Department of Transportation, dated May 2, 1997; revised March 24, 1999, said plat attached hereto and made a part of this deed as Exhibit "B".

For the same consideration Grantor hereby conveys and relinquishes to the Department of Transportation all rights of access between the limited access highway and approaches thereto on the above numbered highway project and Grantor's remaining real property from which said right of way is taken except at such points as designated and shown on the attached plat prepared by the Department of Transportation. This paragraph is not applicable unless access rights are indicated on the attached plat.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said conveyed premises in fee simple and any rights Grantor has or may have in and to existing public rights of way are hereby quitclaimed and conveyed unto the Department of Transportation.

Parcel No. 18

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Grantor hereby warrants that Grantor has the right to sell and convey said land and bind himself, his heirs, executors and administrators forever to defend by virtue of these presents.

Wilner Ford Sammon

IN WITNESSETH WHEREOF, Grantor has hereunto set his hand and seal the day above written.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered this 24 day of march

this <u>24</u> day of <u>marcht</u> 1999, in the presence of:

Herry Compton

Burkon B. Scott

Notary Public

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Parcel No. 18

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EXHIBIT "A"

Project No.:

MLP-20(100) Gwinnett County

P.I. No.: Parcel No.: 161900

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Take:

0.03 Acres May 2, 1997

Revision Date:

Date of R/W Plans:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 146 of the 5th Land District of Gwinnett County, Georgia and being more particularly described as follows:

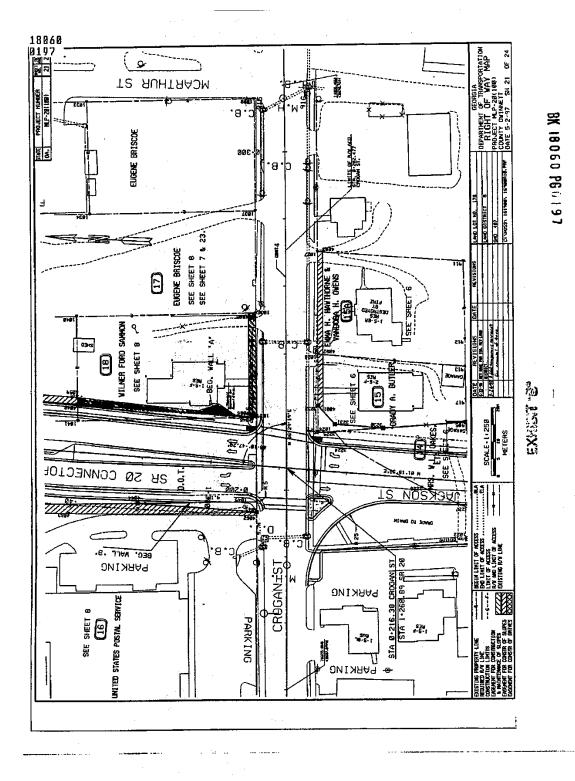
Beginning at a point 45.96 feet right of and opposite Station 1+289.17 on the construction centerline of State Route 20 Connector on Georgia Highway Project No. MLP-20(100).

From the Point of Beginning.

Thence N 04~03'48"W for 50.724m(166.42f) to a point on the boundary. Thence N 86~03'41"E for 4.769m(15.65f) to a point on the boundary. Thence S 01~18'32"W for 50.937m(167.12f) to the Point of Beginning. Containing 120.952sm(0.012hectares)(1301.91sf(0.03acres)) more or less.

ALSO granted is the right to construct and maintain over and upon my land any embankments. drainage, cuts and slopes as may be deemed proper by the Georgia Department of Transportation to support or accommodate the improvement of said road within the area shown colored orange on the attached plat.

ALSO granted is the right to execute certain construction over and upon my land abutting on and adjacent to the right of way in such manner as said Department may deem proper to support or accommodate the improvement of said road, including the right to slope the adjacent ground to tie in with the roadway or sidewalk elevations and to construct any required tree removal within the easement areas shown colored green on the attached plats. Any slopes constructed will remain in place and the Department of Transportation will cease to maintain said slopes upon expiration of said easement. Said easement is to become effective at the beginning of construction of the above numbered project and will expire upon completion and final acceptance of said project by the Department of Transportation.





One Georgia Center, 600 West Peachtree Street, NW Atlanta, Georgia 30308 Telephone: (404) 631-1000

21 Nova, Inc. 94 East Crogan Street Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046

RE: PROJECT:

Downtown Lawrenceville Pedestrian Improvements &

One-Way Pair Conversion

PROJECT NO .:

CSSTP-0008-00(963)

P.I.#:

0008963

PARCEL:

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Dear Property Owner:

The Department is in the process of purchasing property to improve the roadway designated above. In order to make this project possible, **751.62 square feet (0.034 acres)** of your property in **fee** and **4024.62 square feet (0.092 acres) of permanent easement** will be needed. This is more particularly shown on the plat attached to the option provided with this letter.

Your property has been valued by qualified appraisers who after careful consideration have found the Fair Market Value of the property and/or rights to be purchased, and damages to the remainder, if any, to be \$27,500.00. The attached form, entitled "Statement of Estimated Values", separates certain elements comprising the above listed value.

Our Right of Way Specialist, **Tommy Terrell** at **(678) 376-4614** representing the Department, is authorized to explain this and discuss the full effect of the purchase and your rights as provided by law. The agent will also provide you with a brochure, which comprehensively outlines the procedures used in purchasing rights of way.

If you will agree to the terms expressed herein by signing the enclosed "Option For Right Of Way" and returning it to: Tommy Terrell, Terrell Hundley & Carroll, 777 Petty Road, Suite 201, Lawrenceville, GA 30043, it will be promptly submitted for closing and payment.

Sincerely,

Kathy Zahul

District 7 Engineer

BY:

Thomas H. Terrell, Jr.

Thomas H. Terrell, Jr.

Terrell Hundley & Carroll Right of Way Services, Inc.

Acquisition Consultant for City of Lawrenceville

Attachment(s)

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OPTION FOR RIGHT OF WAY

GEORGIA, Gwinnett COUNTY

P.I.#: 0008963

PARCEL NO.: 41

I, the undersigned, understand that I will have no current nor future "property interests" in any median-cut constructed on this project. That this, or any other median-cut, may be closed, relocated, or otherwise modified before, during or after the initial installation. This paragraph is not applicable unless median-cut construction pertains to this project.

The undersigned herein agrees for the same consideration, to provide, without cost to the Department of Transportation, a quit claim deed or such other releases as may be required by the closing attorney from any tenant now in possession of subject property and any other parties having a claim or interest in subject property.

It is further agreed for said consideration to convey and relinquish to the Department of Transportation all rights of access between the Limited Access Highway and approaches thereto on the above numbered Highway and all of the remaining real property of the undersigned except at such points as designated by the Department of Transportation. This paragraph is not applicable unless access rights are indicated on the attached plat.

The said parcel of land as above indicated is shown upon plans on file in the office of the Department of Transportation, Atlanta, Georgia, said plans being identified as Project Number CSSTP-0008-00(963).

I (We) do (do not) elect to reta	in improvements as se	et out in Special Provision.		
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Witness my hand and seal this	day of	21 Nova, Inc. By: PRESIDENT Title:		(L.S.) (L.S.)
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	ACCEPTED): DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION		
	BY:			
		thur Buckley strict Right of Way Team Manager	(Date)	

STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED VALUES

County: Gwinnett

1. Project No.:

CSSTP-0008-00(963)

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2. Owner(s): Address:	21 Nova, Inc. 94 East Crogan Street, Lawren	ncville, Georgia 30046							
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 9. If you wish to retain and remove, at your own expense, improvements owned by you, we will: (a) Deduct at Closing \$ 7/2 (Salvage Value) and/or (b) Require a Performance Bond of \$ 7/2 									
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION OPTION FOR RIGHT OF WAY

GEORGIA, Gwinnett COUNTY

P.I.#: 0008963

PARCEL NO.: 41

Received of <u>The Department of Transportation</u>, the sum of One (\$1.00) Dollar, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and in consideration thereof, and in consideration of the benefits derived by me from the proposed project mentioned herein, I bind myself, my heirs, executors and assigns as follows:

If the said <u>Department of Transportation</u>, shall within <u>60</u> days after date hereof pay me the sum of \$27,500.00 when the undersigned agrees to execute and deliver to the Department of Transportation fee simple title and easements to the land owned by the undersigned, which is shown reflected in color on the right of way map attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference, to be used for highway purposes on the Downtown Lawrenceville Pedestrian Improvements & One-Way Pair Conversion being Parcel 41 consisting of <u>751.62</u> square feet (<u>0.034</u> acres) in fee and <u>4024.62</u> square feet (<u>0.092</u> acres) of permanent easement on Georgia Highway Project Number CSSTP-0008-00(963).

It is agreed and understood that all TEMPORARY EASEMENTS are limited to the period required for the construction of said project and upon completion and acceptance of same by the Department of Transportation from the contractor, said TEMPORARY EASEMENT will terminate.

It is agreed and understood that I, or any tenant now in possession or any other persons having a claim or interest in subject property, will have not less than two (2) months from date of execution of a deed and easements or for residential properties three (3) months from the date replacement housing is available, whichever is greater to vacate the premises and that on vacating of said premises, only items of personal property will be removed, all items attached to the property and being classed as realty to remain. The above agreement to apply unless otherwise provided in Special Provision. If the Department of Transportation agrees to allow the Grantor or tenant in possession to occupy the subject premises beyond the two month period stated above, the person will be required to pay a rental fee of SNA, payable each month in advance. Subsequent to the date of transfer of title to the Department of Transportation and prior to vacation of subject premises, the person in possession will hold the Department harmless as to any claim in connection with the occupancy of said premises. The above option price includes payment for the right of way above described, together with all improvements wholly or partially situated thereon and the right to enter upon the adjacent lands not included in said required Right of Way and Easements for the purpose of removing or demolishing such improvements.

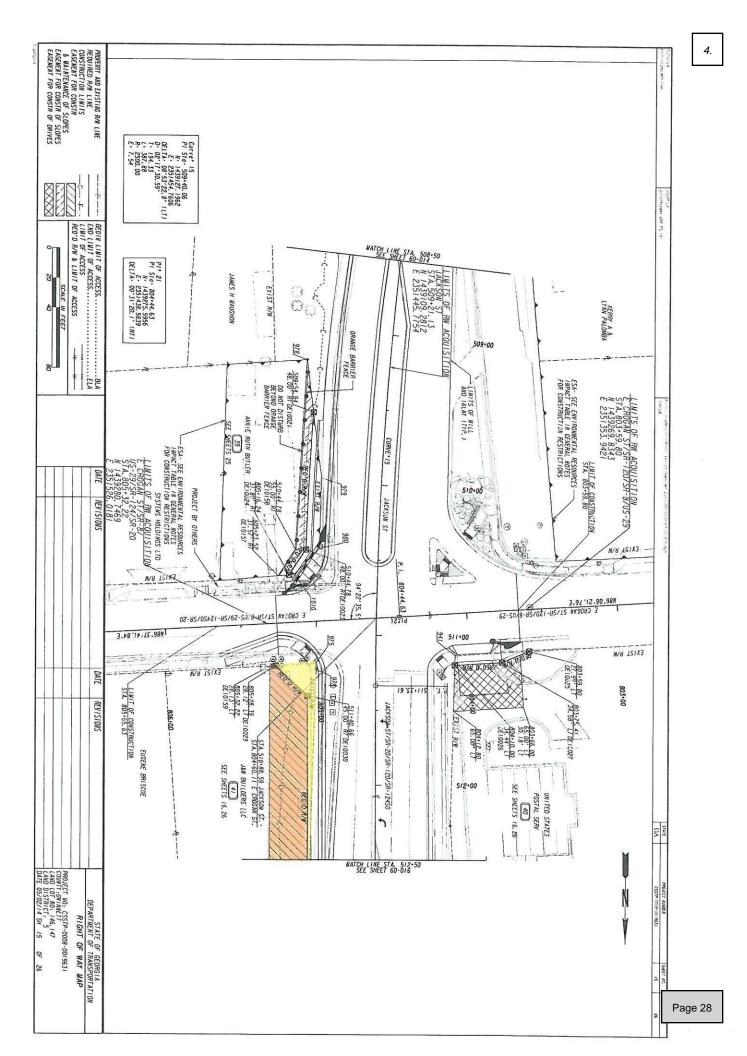
The undersigned further agrees that the Department will be designated an authorized agent for the removal of underground storage tank systems located wholly or partially in said right of way or easement.

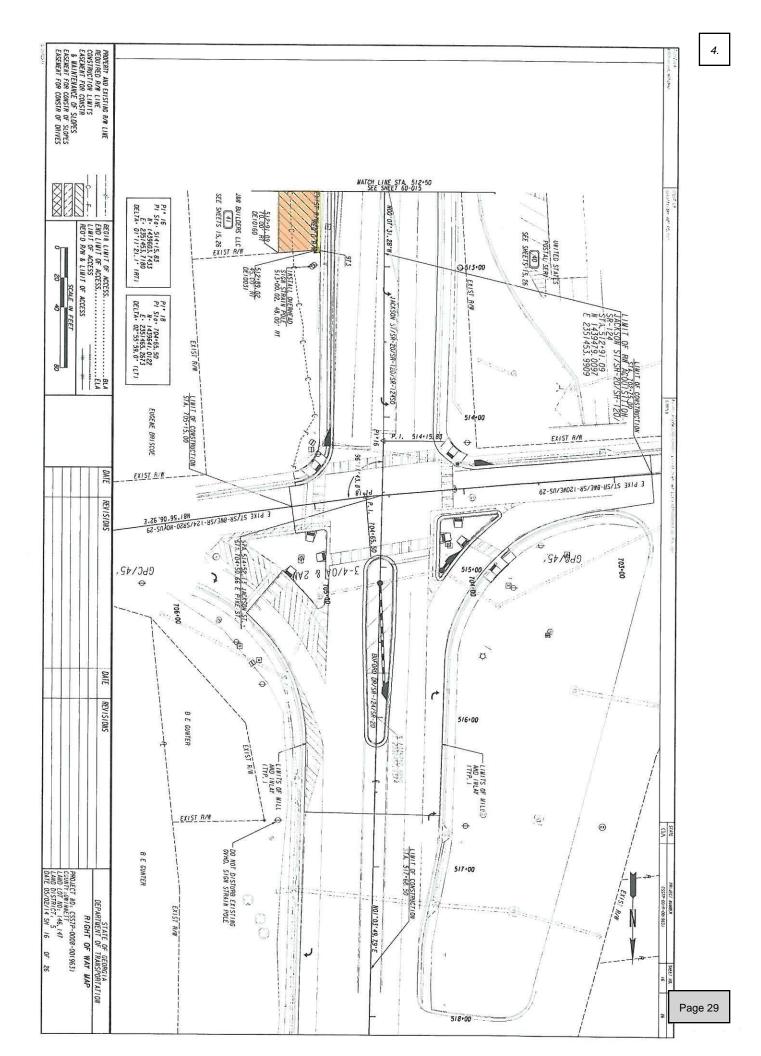
Grantor may retain title to <u>NA</u> for sum of <u>\$NA</u> which shall be deducted from the option price at the time of closing; PROVIDED, he will obligate and firmly bind himself and his successors in title to strictly and faithfully comply with each of the following conditions:

- 1. Grantor will demolish or remove the above described improvements from the right of way, easements and set back area and clear said right of way, easements and set back area from the right of way sufficient to comply with County Building Code requirements; however, in the absence of County requirements, a minimum set back of 50 feet is required. All rubbish and debris must be removed to the satisfactions of authorized personnel of the Department of Transportation within 30 calendar days after notice to proceed.
- Grantor will comply with all laws, ordinances, and regulations of building codes applicable to demolition or removal of buildings in Georgia and hold the Department of Transportation and the <u>NA</u> harmless as to any claim in connection therewith.
- 3. It is understood and agreed that no utility connections shall be made or allowed to relocated structures across or from a limited access right of way, and it is understood and agreed that grantor has agreed to bargain, sell and convey to the Department of Transportation all existing utility rights, and the Department will not be liable in any way for utility reconnections adjacent to acquired rights of way or any subsequent location of improvements.
- 4. Grantor will leave on deposit with the Department of Transportation the additional sum of <u>\$NA</u> which will be deducted from the aforesaid option price at closing. This sum will be held as a cash performance bond conditioned on the strict and faithful performance of the aforesaid obligations.

Time is expressly made of the essence of this Special Provision, and in the event grantor fails to comply with aforesaid obligations, all sums held by the Department of Transportation shall be retained as liquidated damages, and title to and the right to remove said structure shall vest in the Department of Transportation

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AGENDA REPORT MEETING: DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AGENDA CATEGORY: DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BUSINESS

Item: Termination of RIO Transaction

Department: Downtown Development Authority

Date of Meeting: Monday, March 18, 2024

Fiscal Impact: none

Presented By: Chairman Merritt

Action Requested: Termination of RIO Transaction

Summary: Termination of RIO Transaction

Attachment:

• Internal Governmental Agreement Regarding Termination of RIO Transaction

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

HOTEL SITE

Thi	is INTERGOVERI	NMENTAL AGREEMEN	T ("IGA") is made	and entered into as of		
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a Georgia municipal corporation in the State of Georgia (the "City"), and the DOWNTOWN						
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF LAWRENCEVILLE, GEORGIA, a public corporation						
created and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia (the "DDA").						

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the DDA was created pursuant to the provisions of Article IX, Section VI, Paragraph III of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, the Downtown Development Authorities Law of the State of Georgia, O.C.G.A. § 36-42-1, *et seq.*, as amended, and an activating resolution of the Council of the City of Lawrenceville, duly adopted on November 7, 1983, as amended, and is now existing and operating as a public body corporate and politic, and

WHEREAS, in order to encourage the development and revitalization of its downtown business district, the Mayor and Council of the City of Lawrenceville duly adopted the Resolution on November 7, 1983, creating the DDA and designating a geographic area to be known as the Downtown Development Area, which area has since been altered from time to time; and

WHEREAS, the City entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the DDA on April 15, 2019 (2019 IGA) which transferred certain property to the DDA to be used for redevelopment purposes subject to certain terms and conditions, and

WHEREAS, the 2019 IGA required that the redevelopment of the property transferred to the DDA include the construction of a parking garage that included at least two hundred eighty (280) public parking spaces, and

WHEREAS, the DDA entered into agreements with RIO Lawrenceville, LLC (RIO) for the construction of the parking deck and for the construction of a hotel and retail space. The agreements included a Development Agreement, a Ground Lease and Easement Agreements (hereinafter referred to collectively as the RIO Development Agreements), and

WHEREAS, the City and the DDA entered into another Intergovernmental Agreement dated August 17, 2020, in which the City agreed to advance Two Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,400,000.00) to the DDA to be loaned to RIO to allow for the construction of certain infrastructure for the hotel project in connection with the construction of the parking deck, which Intergovernmental Agreement has been amended seven (7) times to extend the due date of the loan made to RIO (the original Intergovernmental Agreement and all amendments shall hereinafter be referred to as the 2020 IGA), and

WHEREAS, RIO constructed the parking deck and ownership of that parking deck has been paid for and the DDA is now the owner of the parking deck, and

WHEREAS, RIO was not able to move forward with construction of the hotel and retail space, and the City, the DDA and RIO now desire to terminate the RIO Development Agreements including the loan provided under the 2020 IGA and return all ownership interest in the property that was the subject of those agreements to the DDA and allow the DDA to move forward with the hotel project and to finance the project with tax exempt revenue bonds.

NOW, **THEREFORE**, for and in consideration of \$10.00 (Ten Dollars) in hand paid and for the mutual promises and covenants set forth herein, the amounts set forth herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the City and the DDA do hereby agree as follows:

- 1. The DDA will absolutely and completely terminate the RIO Development Agreements so that RIO or any third party shall have no rights or interest in the property transferred to the DDA under the 2019 IGA, which property is more particularly described on Exhibit A (Subject Property) which is incorporated herein by reference. The DDA shall be allowed to retain fee simple ownership of the Subject Property subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 2. The City will transfer to the DDA a maximum of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000.00) which may be used by the DDA as payment to RIO as consideration for the termination of the RIO Development Agreements, reimbursement of expenses incurred by RIO for civil engineering fees, architect fees, construction management services, interior design fees, fence lease and fence repair, and hotel accounting software on the hotel project, and in consideration for the transfer from RIO to the DDA all rights under any existing contracts related to the hotel project including but not limited to all architectural plans, all construction drawings, and contracts with all other vendors providing services related to the hotel project. Since the funds transferred to the DDA under the 2020 IGA were loaned to RIO and used to construct infrastructure on the hotel site and since the DDA will obtain ownership of the site including the infrastructure, the City will not require repayment of the Two Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,400,000.00) provided under the 2020 IGA, and the DDA is authorized to cancel the note from RIO as part of the agreement to terminate the RIO Development Agreements. The DDA shall enter into a written contract with RIO related to all these items and the contract shall be approved by the City Manager, the City CFO and the City Attorney before any funds are transferred. To the extent allowed by law, all monies transferred to the DDA under this paragraph shall be reimbursed to the City from bond proceeds following the closing of the tax exempt revenue bond transaction.
- 3. The parties anticipate that the DDA will incur certain costs each month to keep the project active while the DDA and the City move forward with tax exempt revenue bond financing of the hotel. The City will transfer to the DDA a maximum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) to be used to pay ongoing expenses related to the hotel project. To the extent allowed by law, all monies transferred to the DDA under this paragraph shall be reimbursed to the City from bond proceeds following the closing of the tax exempt revenue bond transaction.

- 4. As part of the hotel development, the DDA shall maintain exclusive control of a minimum of two hundred eighty (280) parking spaces in the parking deck which shall be available for public use at all times, other than temporary closures for construction activities.
- 5. Should the DDA not proceed forward with the redevelopment of the Subject Property as a hotel financed by tax exempt revenue bonds by November 30, 2024, any future redevelopment of the Subject Property shall be subject to specific approval of the new proposed development by the Lawrenceville City Council, and the City shall maintain the right to require transfer of all or a portion of the Subject Property to the City.
- 6. The Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, City Manager, City Clerk, and City Attorney, and/or their appropriate designees are hereby authorized to take any and all action necessary and appropriate to carry out the intent of this Intergovernmental Agreement between the parties.
- 7. This IGA and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed, construed and interpreted according to the laws of the State of Georgia.
- 8. This IGA expresses the entire understanding and agreement between the parties hereto.
- 9. The invalidity of any one or more phrases, sentences, clauses or sections contained in this IGA shall not affect the remaining portions of this IGA or any part thereof.
- 10. This IGA may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original, and all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.
- 11. No waiver, amendment, release, modification of this IGA shall be effective unless made in writing and executed by both parties hereto, and properly approved in accordance with the provisions of Georgia law.
- 12. This IGA is intended to replace and supersede the 2019 IGA and the 2020 IGA. Should the DDA fail to reach a written agreement with RIO terminating the RIO Development Agreements as required in paragraph 2, the City and the DDA shall retain the right to collect any amounts due under the 2019 IGA and the 2020 IGA including but not limited to the monies loaned to RIO.

[Signatures on Following Page]

CITY OF LAWRENCEVILLE, GEORGIA

Date Signed:	By: David R. Still, Mayor
	Attest Karen Pierce, City Clerk
	(City Seal)
	CITY OF LAWRENCEVILLE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Date Signed:	By Lee Merritt, Chairman
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	(Authority Seal)



AGENDA REPORT MEETING: DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AGENDA CATEGORY: DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BUSINESS

Item: Retail Strategies

Department: Downtown Development Authority

Date of Meeting: Monday, March 18, 2024

Fiscal Impact: none

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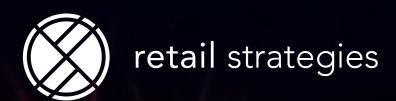
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- Downtown Strategies
- Retail Academy





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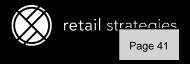


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Lawrenceville's Opportunity



Statement of Need

Considered the heart of Gwinnett County, Lawrenceville has a storied history of commerce and culture, which continues to manifest in the community's vision for growth, unique local businesses, restaurants, arts and events, and the institutional anchors driving growth opportunities and housing demand.

Lawrenceville, GA

With a city population of over 33,000 Lawrenceville sits in the economic nucleus of the I-85 and Hwy 316 corridors east of Atlanta, making it accessible to workforce and an attractive home to major employers such as Gwinnett Medical, Georgia Gwinnett College, and Gwinnett Justice & Administration Center. Through strategic visioning and planning, Lawrenceville has invested heavily in recent years in the necessary infrastructure and strategic public/private investment to improve physical connectivity between downtown, the new conference center, and surrounding employment and education hubs. This includes strategic action for more housing units in and around the downtown district culminating in hundreds of new units and millions in private investment, and continuing to advance Lawrenceville as a top place to live, work, play.

By our team's initial estimates Lawrenceville city limits have a daytime population over 50K and mobile analytics suggest the customer trade area draw and potential for downtown and Collins Hill Rd. is much greater. As Lawrenceville continues to grow intentionally, it's important to identify strategic action steps and resources (including human capital) to capture the community's growth potential, identify and advance public/private opportunities and challenges, and proactively attract a resilient business mix that aligns with available real estate assets and growing consumer demand.

DOWNTOWNS ARE THE HEART OF COMMUNITIES...

but changing economies and consumer behavior present new dynamics. While challenges may seem insurmountable, there's evidence that small, incremental change can turn things around.





Our Solution



Downtown Action Planning & Implementation Support

Upon reviewing the unique opportunities and challenges in Lawrenceville, GA, Retail Strategies is pleased to propose our Downtown Action Planning & Implementation Support program for consideration to provide a holistic approach to Downtown Lawrenceville's overall vitality. This three-year partnership is focused on short-term planning plus immediate action and implementation.

Most communities know what they want to see in their downtown. Vibrant and busy streets, unique locally-owned businesses, a beautiful and colorful built environment, and people enjoying downtown as a gathering space.

The challenge is knowing what first step to take. There's generally no shortage of ideas, but where do you start? What's most important? Our Downtown Action Planning & Implementation Support partnership is boosted by collaboration and generates a 5-Year Strategic Action Plan, followed by dedicated implementation services and support to ensure that you see action in your community.







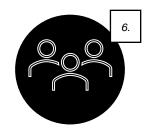
our efforts build on your existing program of work. We'll analyze data, review current plans, then come to your market to meet with your local leaders and gather input from stakeholders.

The heart of our process is the creation of the custom **5-YEAR STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN**focused on short-term strategies that are practical and implementable, given your current capacity and resources.

A plan is just a plan if it's not followed by immediate

IMPLEMENTATION. Following delivery of the plan, we facilitate the launch of Local Action Teams in your community to create a sustainable framework of implementation. We also provide technical support to your team for the initiatives that you undertake.

DISCOVERY



Building on your existing investments & efforts

Discovery is key to ensure our efforts build on your existing program of work. We'll analyze data, review current plans, then we'll come to your market to meet with your local leaders and gather input from stakeholders.

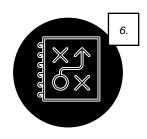
We begin our process with a **kick-off call** to introduce our teams and review the **timeline and key milestones**. Then, we'll ask you to complete our **Onboarding Form**, which allows us to understand the current state of your downtown on a detailed level. We'll review any existing plans or work plans, as well as incentives or other programs your community offers.

Next, we'll perform a detailed **Market Analysis**, identifying your market trade area and demographics of those that reside within the trade area. Utilizing mobile data technology, we'll analyze supply and demand of retail categories, as well as provide a walkability score and psychographics of your local population.

In addition, we'll supply an electronic **Community Input Survey** for you to circulate to your entire community, which provides collaboration and gives the consultant team insights into satisfaction of your downtown area.

The final milestone of this Discovery phase is the in-market **Strategic Visioning Workshop**, where a leader of our team visits your community, meets with the Core Team, participates in a walking tour, and facilitates a Stakeholder Input Session, which allows property owners, business leaders, and the greater community to participate in imagining what the downtown can become in the next five years.

5-YEAR STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN



An action-oriented plan that tells you where to start

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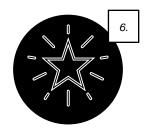
After returning from your market, our team collaborates and develops your custom **5-Year Strategic Action Plan.** The plan will include strategic recommendations that fall within four focus areas:

- <u>Policy</u> Sets the foundation for the change you want to see. Guiding future change typically involves a balance of "carrots" (incentives) and "sticks" (policies).
- <u>Design</u> Rather than master plan drawings and renderings, we highlight short-term interventions that can be made to improve the aesthetics, walkability, and overall vibrancy of the downtown area.
- <u>Tourism & Promotion</u> Tourism is about connecting the dots between visitors and the downtown businesses and attractions. It is about creating a unique and authentic experience for visitors.
- <u>Economic Vitality</u> A key component of downtown revitalization efforts is assisting the private sector and arming them with the tools necessary to compete in the current economy.

An **implementation matrix** will also accompany the plan, detailing the order and investment required for successful implementation of each strategy.

While you're waiting on delivery of the plan, our team will present the **Market Analysis deliverable** virtually, which will set the stage for the virtual presentation of the 5-Year Strategic Action Plan to your team. Your team will have several weeks to review the draft and provide feedback for revisions. Once revisions are made, we finalize the plan and move into our next phase.

IMPLEMENTATION



Building a sustainable framework for long-term action

A plan is just a plan if it's not followed by immediate action. Following delivery of the plan, we facilitate the launch of Local Action Teams in your community to create sustainable framework of **implementation**. We also provide technical support to your team for the initiatives that you undertake.

Once the plan is approved, we move into the Implementation phase of our partnership. This phase begins with an Implementation Jumpstart call. On this call, we'll discuss early ideas for focus strategies, provide an overview of our process for launching Local Action Teams, and we'll schedule the Project Mapping Workshop.

City leaders will then formulate their first Local Action Team, with our team facilitating the Project Mapping Workshop, which utilizes our Action Planning Workbook. Following this workshop, the Local Action Team will hold their first 30/30 meeting, which focuses on what's happened the last 30 days and identifying what the priorities are for the next 30 days. If available, our team will virtually attend the first 30/30 meeting to provide support and troubleshoot if needed.

Additional support from our team could include **technical support**, **templates and trainings**, **connections to strategic partners**, **or project specific assistance** to your team in order to get additional strategies implemented.

Implementation Support continues for the duration of Years 2 & 3 with **tri-annual collaboration** calls, opt-in monthly office hours, and technical support. If desired, at the end of Year 2, additional Local Action Teams can be launched with our support through a second Project Mapping Workshop.

Through regular communication, we'll monitor the success of your Local Action Teams throughout the partnership and will be here to support them, as well as your core team with your own priority projects.

Finally, our team will host a **Wrap-up Call** to review progress and discuss next steps, such as renewing our partnership for additional years of support.

Approximate Timeline & Milestones

DOWNTOWN PLANNING & IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT PARTNERSHIP

Contract Execution	Kick-off Call, Client completes Onboarding Packet
Months 1-3	Generate Market Analysis, Community Input Survey, Downtown Strategies reviewed submitted onboarding documents
Months 4-5	In-market Strategic Visioning Workshop
Month 6	Market Analysis deliverable presentation (virtual)
Months 7-8	5-Year Strategic Action Plan presentation (virtual)
Months 9-10	Launch Local Action Teams, deliver Action Planning Workbook, facilitate Project Mapping Workshop (virtual)
Months 10-12	First 30/30 meeting, continued technical support to local team

Approximate Timeline & Milestones

DOWNTOWN PLANNING & IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT PARTNERSHIP

Year 2 Tri-annual Collaboration/Check-in Calls (3 per year) Opt-in Monthly Office Hour Calls Implementation Support (templates, trainings, referrals, troubleshooting) Expansion of Local Action Teams (if desired, which includes additional Project Mapping Workshop) Year 3 Tri-annual Collaboration/Check-in Calls (3 per year) Opt-in Monthly Office Hour Calls Continued Implementation Support (templates, trainings, referrals, troubleshooting)

Detailed Scope of Services

YEAR ONE

DISCOVERY

- Kick-off Call & Partnership Overview
- Review of Documents (existing plans, ordinances, incentives)
- Electronic Community Input Survey

IN-MARKET DOWNTOWN STRATEGIC VISIONING WORKSHOP

- Core Group Meeting
- Walking/Windshield Tour
- Stakeholder Input Session

5-YEAR DOWNTOWN STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN DELIVERABLE

- Custom Downtown Market Analysis
 - Identification of market trade area using mobile data analysis
 - Trade area demographics (population, income, housing, etc.)
 - Market and retail GAP analysis for trade area (i.e. leakage and surplus)
 - Tapestry lifestyles psychographic profile of trade area
 - Commute Patterns Report
 - Identification of priority business categories for entrepreneurship, recruitment and/or local expansion
 - Downtown Walkability Assessment
 - Downtown Neighborhood Demographics
- 5-Year Downtown Strategic Action Plan Deliverable
 - Focusing on policy & administration, design, tourism & promotion, and economic vitality recommendations
 - Implementation matrix

LAUNCH OF LOCAL ACTION TEAMS & ACTION PLAN JUMPSTART

- Consultant team will launch our process of Local Action Teams to encourage community support and engagement for incremental implementation.
 - Action Planning Workbook Deliverable
 - Project Mapping Workshop
 - First Action Team Meeting
- Consultant team will provide support to the Core Team for implementation of a strategy in 5-Year Downtown Strategic Action Plan.
 - Strategy will be determined collaboratively depending on traction in Local Action Teams and subject matter expertise within Consultant team.

Detailed Scope of Services (cont.)

YEAR TWO

ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

- Monthly Office Hours
 - Opt-in time with consultant team to discuss specific challenges, roadblocks, or for additional support.
- Ongoing Technical Support
 - Consultant team will provide a mix of:
 - Templates & Trainings
 - Examples
 - Connections to Partners
- Collaboration Calls
 - 3 (tri-annual) collaboration calls with core team to discuss success, troubleshoot teams that are off-track, and confirm strategy roadmap for remainder of year.
- Expansion of Local Action Teams (if desired)
 - Action Planning Workbook
 - Project Mapping Workshop
 - First Action Team Meeting (for new team(s))

YEAR THREE

ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

- Monthly Office Hours
 - Opt-in time with consultant team to discuss specific challenges, roadblocks, or for additional support.
- Ongoing Technical Support
 - Consultant team will provide a mix of:
 - Templates & Trainings
 - Examples
 - Connections to Partners
- Collaboration Calls
 - 3 (tri-annual) collaboration calls with core team to discuss success, troubleshoot teams that are off-track, and confirm strategy roadmap for remainder of year.
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PARTNERSHIP WRAP-UP

 Partnership Wrap-up Call to recap progress, discuss next steps, and discuss renewal of Downtown Implementation contract.



About Retail Strategies

Executive Summary

RETAIL STRATEGIES

Retail Strategies is the national expert in recruiting businesses and strategically developing communities. Our mission is to provide the real estate expertise, tools, and human effort that position deserving towns as alluring locations for national businesses and destinations for tourism and quality of life amenities. With confidence, we pursue this mission by delivering unparalleled customer service as a unified team with unmatched real estate and community development expertise.

Downtown Strategies, a division of Retail Strategies, exists to provide realistic, implementable strategies to communities for revitalizing their downtowns. Led by a team of former downtown revitalization practitioners, our combination of real-world experience, plus expertise in retail uniquely qualify us to assist communities with backfilling vacancies, increasing tourism, and enhancing the sense of place in their downtowns. Serving communities in 25 states, Downtown Strategies is the leading national firm for downtown revitalization planning with an emphasis on real estate and retail.

DOWNTOWN TEAM



Jenn Gregory President



Jeremy Murdock Community Development Specialist

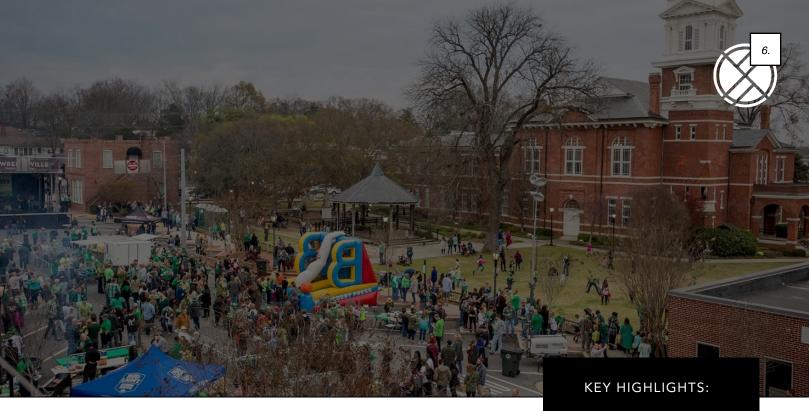


Laura MarinosDirector of Client Services



Taylor Turner Client Services Manager





Executive Summary

- Served clients in 25 states
- Partnered with 175+ cities
- Led by team of former practitioners
- Sanctioned by USDA as a preferred vendor

DOWNTOWN STRATEGIES

Specializing in action-oriented, practical, and implementable action plans, plus a dedicated focus on implementation, Downtown Strategies strategically differs from traditional planning and design firms. We've seen countless cities that have invested hundreds of thousands of dollars in master plans, only to see them sit on a bookshelf.

Our team's expertise as practitioners, combined with the support of the full Retail Strategies team, positions us to deliver high quality action plans with an immediate next step of supporting your team with implementation. Downtowns are the heart and soul of communities, and there's never been a better time to invest in the people, place, and businesses that make them unique.



Being able to learn from a team of downtown experts has been incredibly helpful in my role. Having an outside entity outline the guidelines of the façade grant and explain a vacancy tax policy was really helpful. That isn't something anyone on our team has expertise in."

Jody Diaz, Economic Development Director

Roosevelt County Community Development Corporation

Portales, New Mexico

Firm Profile

Grown from a Commercial Real Estate firm, Retail Strategies is the nation's leading consulting firm focused on all facets of community development which includes retail recruitment and retention, downtown revitalization, and small business support.

Our team of 70+ utilizes practical experience to make public-private partnerships thrive. With offices in Birmingham, AL (headquarters,) Atlanta, GA, Fort Worth, TX, and Starkville, MS, and staff working remotely in Sacramento, CA, and Auburn, AL, our team has successfully serviced hundreds of community clients from coast to coast.

Committing to our core value of developing trustbased relationships with our clients, it's our goal to be seen as an extension of your staff, where we'll form a true partnership to accomplish your goals together.

Beginning with offering retail recruitment, we listened to our clients over the last decade and have added new services and a robust staff to support them for our clients' growing list of needs.

While our team and footprint has grown to support a national portfolio of clients, we maintain a 5:1 staff to client ratio and choose to operate as a boutique firm with a contagious culture for entrepreneurialism, problem solving, and partnerships.



4 locations throughout U.S.



70+
professional consultants

our services

- · Retail Recruitment
- Retail Academy (training)
- Retail Advisor
- Downtown Strategies
- Small Business Support

Investment

The total annual fee for completion of work is due upon execution of agreement, and then annually thereafter. Project fees are due within 30 days of receipt of the invoice. Should the Client request a special assignment, additional work, and/or additional travel needs not specifically referenced in the contract, we will prepare written authorization to be signed by the Client in advance of commencing any additional work.

Lawrenceville, GA

Downtown Action Planning & Implementation Support Partnership (3-years)	\$95,000
Year 1	\$45,000
Year 2	\$25,000
Year 3	\$25,000

INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

A commitment to community development will pay you back for years beyond the initial investment.









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RETAIL EDUCATION & WORKSHOP

Retail Academy Partnership

ABOUT RETAIL ACADEMY

Executive Summary

Retail Academy service is an award-winning service that was formed to provide tools, education, and guidance to communities seeking economic growth. Our aim at Retail Academy is to help each community identify their potential and provide the resources to achieve it.

Recruiting new and quality businesses can be complex, timeconsuming, and intimidating. To be successful communities need the real estate expertise, tools, and human effort to position their deserving municipality as an alluring location for national businesses and destinations for tourism and quality of life amenities.

Leaning on Retail Strategies' 150 years of collective retail-real estate experience, communities can effectively achieve this goal.





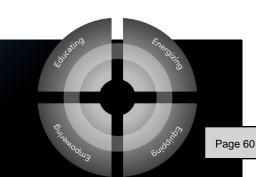
Training

Taught by licensed real estate professionals that have worked with more than 300 communities throughout the U.S., the efforts of the instructors have generated millions of dollars in tax revenues and created thousands of jobs.

This Training Will:

- Teach you how to use the tools (data/analytics/strategy)
- Show you how retailers view your market
- Give you access to industry contracts
- Write emails to expanding businesses
- Give you a script for outbound phone calls
- Provide knowledge on the retail expansion process

- Share best practices for Retail Recruitment
- Keep you in the know on Retail Trends
- Go over the Site Selection process in full detail
- Explain the development process
- Provide best practices for ICSC
 & Retail Live conferences
- Discuss franchise expansions



Education is action.

WHAT YOU GET

Deliverables







Data & Analytics

A complete market analysis that will empower your community and give you credibility when speaking with the retail industry.

Retail Recruitment Plan

A 70+ page customized analysis of your community that showcases your trade area, real estate assets, and defines the prospective businesses that will thrive in your market.

Marketing Guide

Retail Strategies has applied our collective experiences to develop impactful custom marketing guides. These customized marketing guides showcase critical market intelligence, data, real estate information, and advanced analytics to position your community for economic growth.

Real Estate Analysis

Retail Strategies licensed real estate professionals will conduct a building and business inventory to create a plan of action for available retail sites in your market.

Education

Leveraging over 150+ years of experience, our team of instructors walks you through your market and the retail recruitment process providing best practices and critical knowledge to position you for success.

Retail Prospects

Retail Academy will provide a list of expanding businesses that fit your community. The prospect list will provide the retailer contact information., site selection criteria and nearest locations so you are prepared when you speak with these expanding businesses



ONLINE MEMBERSHIP

Resource Library

16+ hours of content including:

- · Retail Incentives
- Retail Trends
- Hotel Feasibility
- Franchise Recruitment Tools
- Retailer Growth Plans and Reports
- Retailer, Developer and Broker Interviews
- Small Business Support
- Bankruptcy Filling and Closure Lists
- The Dollars and Cents of Shopping Centers



ONLINE MEMBERSHIP

Online Portal

As part of the year-long partnership, you are granted access to an online membership platform that is updated monthly and available on-demand.

Online Portal Course Topics:

- Today's Trend Impacting Retail Recruitment
- Demographics Overview
- Players, Process, and Pitch
- Real Estate 101 and Recruitment Tools
- Restaurant Strategies for Economic Development
- Innovating Commerce Serving Communities
- Steps to Recruiting Retail and Restaurants to your Downtown

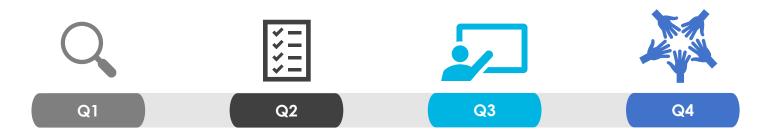
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Retail Academy was very informative. It opened my eyes to several surprising trends. The depth of the data helped explain many of those trends and demonstrated several characteristics that are evolving every year.

STEP BY STEP

Timeline

The year-long partnership is broken into quarterly deliverables and checkpoints to make sure your community receives the most from the Retail Academy Partnership.



DISCOVERY

Getting to Know You & Online Curriculum

OVERVIEW

Retail Academy Workshop & Recruitment Plan Overview

TRAINING

Retail Strategies will host discussions to review your progress with:

ACCOUNTABILITY

Retail Strategies will host discussions to review your progress with:

STEP 01

Kick-Off Call & Getting to Know You

Community Leader Survey completed

Access to the Retail Academy online curriculum is provided to the community.

STEP 02

A customized retail recruitment plan will be delivered to your community during your workshop.

STEP 03

Calling local property owners/leasing agents to get site flyers and share local intel

Updating your retail real estate property catalog

Contacting retailers from the retail prospect list

Providing relevant market data to local retailers

Utilizing the peer analysis to identify retail concepts to add to your customized prospect list

STEP 04

Having a call (or meeting) with property owners/local brokers to touch base and exchange updates

Following up with prospective retailers

Hosting workshops with the local brokerage community/property owners to collaborate & strengthen relationships

Distributing surveys to local retailers ("Mom & Pops") to find out how the data is benefiting them

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RETAIL ACADEMY

Scope of Services

Research

- Identification of priority retail categories for recruitment and/or local expansion
- Retail Prospect List- Identification of at minimum 10 retail prospects to be targeted for recruitment
- Contact Information for Retail Prospects
- Retail Site Selection Criteria for retail prospects
- · Mobile Data Collection from major retail node
- Retail Gap Analysis for trade area (i.e. leakage and surplus)
- Peer Market Identification and Trade Area Comparison Analysis
- Peer Market Retailer Void Analysis
- Custom demographic research historical, current, and projected demographics – to include market trade areas by political boundaries, radius/drive times, and custom trade area Identification of retail trade area using political boundaries, drive times and radii and custom boundary geographies.
- Consumer Spending Patterns and Behavior Report
- Tapestry Lifestyle Segmentation Analysis psychographic profile of trade area

Real Estate Analysis

- Retail Real Estate Analysis identifying 5+ real estate sites performed by licensed retail real estate professionals
- Create Aerial imagery of trade area(s) with traffic counts
- Identify Target Zones for short- and long-term retail development
- Property Catalog

Marketing Materials

- Development of Customized Marketing Guide
- Customized Retail Recruitment Plan

Retail Academy

- Access to Retail Academy: ONLINE Education Course and Resource Library
- One (1) Retail Academy Workshop, totaling six
 (6) hours in Birmingham, AL
- Industry overview from Commercial Real Estate professionals
- Quarterly 1:1 virtual meeting to discuss progress

Investment

The total fee for completion of the Retail Academy program is \$25,000. Project fees are due immediately upon the execution of the agreement.