INTRODUCED: December 12, 2022

AN ORDINANCE No. 2022-359

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Grant Agreement between the City of Richmond, 7000 Carnation, LLC, and the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond, for the purpose of facilitating the construction and development of the property located at 7000 Carnation Street to provide safe and affordable housing.

Patron – Mayor Stoney

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

PUBLIC HEARING: JAN 9 2023 AT 6 P.M.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, be and is hereby authorized to execute a Grant Agreement between the City of Richmond, 7000 Carnation, LLC, and the Economic Development Authority of the City of Richmond, for the purpose of facilitating the construction and development of the property located at 7000 Carnation Street to provide safe and affordable housing. The Grant Agreement shall be approved as to form by the City Attorney and shall be substantially in the form of the document attached to this ordinance.

AYES: 8 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: JAN 9 2023 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

§ 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

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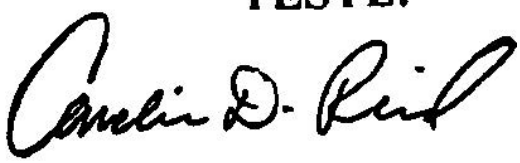

City Clerk

AYES: _____ NOES: _____ ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: _____ REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

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By City Attorney's Office at 8:57 am, Dec 09, 2022
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By CAO Office at 12:42 pm, Nov 21, 2022

2022-313

CITY OF RICHMOND
INTRACITY CORRESPONDENCE

O&R REQUEST

DATE: November 14, 2022 **EDITION:** 1

TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

THROUGH: The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor

THROUGH: J.E. Lincoln Saunders, Chief Administrative Officer

THROUGH: Sabrina Joy-Hogg, DCAO – Finance and Administration Portfolio

THROUGH: Sheila White, Director of Finance

THROUGH: Jason May, Director of Budget and Strategic Planning

FROM: Sharon L. Ebert, DCAO – Planning & Economic Development Portfolio

RE: 7000 Carnation Street Affordable Housing Grant

ORD. OR RES. No.

PURPOSE: To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer ("CAO") to execute, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond ("City"), the Grant Agreement attached hereto by and between the City, the Economic Development Authority ("EDA"), and 7000 Carnation Street, LLC ("Recipient").

REASON: Council approval is necessary to authorize the City's execution of the Grant Agreement.

RECOMMENDATION: The City Administration recommends approval.

BACKGROUND: In 2022, the Virginia General Assembly approved HB1194, which amended Ch. 49, Title 15.2 of the Code of Virginia for the purpose of authorizing industrial/economic development authorities "to make grants associated with the construction of affordable housing in order to promote safe and affordable housing in the Commonwealth."

This Grant Agreement will induce the Recipient to construct and operate a development project (the "Project") that will result in significant investment and economic development on the site located at 7000 Carnation Street in the City's 9th District, will promote safe and affordable

housing in the City, will result in substantial benefits to the welfare of the City and its inhabitants, is in the public interest, and serves governmental interests.

Grant payments will be solely limited to incremental real estate tax revenues generated by the Project and received by the City and such payments will be conditioned upon Recipient's completion of Project construction and continued maintenance thereafter. In order to qualify for grant payments, the Project must include at least 217 residential units that restrict occupancy and rents to an average income designation of 60% of AMI, according to standards promulgated by the State Housing Finance Agency (i.e., Virginia Housing), for a minimum of thirty (30) years.

FISCAL IMPACT / COST: No direct fiscal impact to the baseline of current real estate tax revenues received by the City for such property as the grant payments are solely limited to incremental tax revenues above and beyond such baseline.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: No direct implications as the grant payments are solely limited to incremental tax revenues above and beyond the baseline of current real estate tax revenues received by the City for such baseline.

BUDGET AMENDMENT NECESSARY: None

REVENUE TO CITY: N/A

DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon adoption

REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE: December 12, 2022

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: Jan. 9, 2023

REQUESTED AGENDA: Consent

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE: Finance & Economic Development

CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES: N/A

AFFECTED AGENCIES: Housing & Community Development, Economic Development, Finance, Budget, City Attorney's Office

RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.: N/A

REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S): None

ATTACHMENTS: Grant Agreement

STAFF:

Sherrill Hampton, Director of Housing & Community Development
Leonard Sledge, Director of Economic Development
Matthew A. Welch, Senior Policy Advisor (Planning & Economic Development Portfolio)

GRANT AGREEMENT

This **GRANT AGREEMENT** (the "Agreement") is made and entered this ____ day of _____, 2023 (the "Effective Date"), by and among the **CITY OF RICHMOND, VIRGINIA**, a municipal corporation of the Commonwealth of Virginia (the "City"), **7000 CARNATION, LLC**, a Virginia limited liability company, or its assigns or successors (the "Recipient"), and the **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND**, a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia (the "Authority").

RECITALS

A. The Recipient plans to develop and operate on the Site, as defined below, the Project, as defined below.

B. The City and the Authority have determined that the Project will result in significant investment and economic development on the Site, will promote safe and affordable housing in the City of Richmond, will result in substantial benefits to the welfare of the City and its inhabitants, is in the public interest, and serves governmental interests.

C. The City plans to fund an economic development monetary grant (the "Grant") by the Authority to the Recipient for the purpose of inducing the Recipient to construct and operate the Project in the City of Richmond.

D. Payment of the Grant will be conditioned upon Recipient's completion of Project construction and continued maintenance of the Project, as defined herein, and the funds comprising payments of the Grant will be solely limited to a portion of the incremental real estate tax revenues for the Site generated by the Project (i.e., including both the fee interest (and leasehold interest, if applicable) in the land and all improvements), all as set forth herein.

E. The City is authorized by Section 15.2-953 of the Code of Virginia and other laws, and the Authority is authorized by the Industrial Development and Revenue Bond Act, contained in Chapter 49, Title 15.2 of the Code of Virginia and other laws to perform the activities contemplated in this Agreement. The Authority is authorized by the Code of Virginia to make grants to non-public organizations such as Recipient in furtherance of the purpose of promoting economic development and affordable housing.

F. This Agreement sets forth the understanding of the parties concerning the Recipient's obligations, the Authority's obligations, and the incentives offered by the City, subject to the approval of the Authority's Board and the Richmond City Council and subject to appropriations.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the mutual benefits, promises and undertakings of the parties to this Agreement, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties covenant and agree as follows.

Section 1. Preliminary Provisions

1.1 Incorporation of Recitals. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein by reference.

1.2 Definitions. For the purposes of this Agreement, the following terms shall have the following definitions:

"AMI" means area median gross income for the Richmond-Petersburg Metropolitan Statistical Area for each applicable year of the Grant Period.

"Base Real Estate Tax Revenue" means $14,100 per year, being the amount equal to the real estate taxes levied on the Site for the current tax year as of the Effective Date.

"Grant" means a grant to be paid to the Recipient, or its successors or assigns, by the Authority pursuant to this Agreement.

"Grant Payment" means, for each real estate tax year during the Grant Period, an amount equal to the Incremental Real Estate Tax Revenue for such corresponding tax year. The Parties acknowledge that the annual real estate tax levy is and may in the future be billed and due in installments (currently twice a year); therefore, as used herein "Grant Payment" shall include payments of Incremental Real Estate Tax Revenue for each installment payment corresponding to the applicable Real Estate Tax Levy as prorated for the applicable installment period.

"Grant Payment Request" means a written request for a Grant Payment, which shall include (1) documentation showing its full payment of the Real Estate Tax Levy to the City in full and on time (except as provided in Section 3.3 below), and (2) the amount of the requested Grant Payment and explanation of the calculation thereof (i.e., Real Estate Tax Levy ***minus*** Base Real Estate Tax Revenue ***equals*** Incremental Real Estate Tax Revenue, as pro-rated for the applicable installment period).

"Grant Period" means that certain period commencing upon January 1st of the first real estate tax year following Recipient's completion of Project construction, as shall be evidenced by receipt of a temporary Certificate of Occupancy ("Grant Commencement Date") and ending on last day of the thirtieth (30th) real estate tax year following the Grant Commencement Date ("Grant Expiration Date"), subject to the provisions of Section 2.5 below. The parties acknowledge that the "Real Estate Tax Levy" for the last year of the Grant Period may not be received by the City until after the Grant Expiration Date, and that a Grant Payment shall be paid to Recipient corresponding to such Real Estate Tax Levy.

"Incremental Real Estate Tax Revenue" means, for each applicable real estate tax year during the Grant Period, the amount by which the Real Estate Tax Levy exceeds the Base Real Estate Tax Revenue, provided Recipient pays the Real Estate Tax Levy to the City in full and on time (except as provided in Section 3.3 below). In no event shall the Incremental Real Estate Tax Revenue (or the Grant Payment) include penalties, interest, or any other charges resulting from any delinquent payment. The Parties acknowledge that the Real Estate Tax Levy is and may in the future be billed and due in installments (currently twice a year); therefore, as used herein

"Incremental Real Estate Tax Revenue" shall be determined based on the applicable payment (or installment) of the Real Estate Tax Levy for each applicable real estate tax year.

"Maintain" means the Recipient's continued maintenance and operation of the Project following completion of Project construction, as set forth by Section 2.2.2 of this Agreement.

"Project" means a development on the Site containing not less than 217 residential units, subject to income and rent restrictions as set forth in Section 2.4 and as shown on Exhibit A, and monitored by the State Housing Finance Agency.

"Real Estate Tax Levy" means the amount of real estate taxes levied by the City on the Site (including both the fee interest (and leasehold interest, if applicable)) and Project (i.e., including land and all improvements) for a given real estate tax year, pursuant to Chapter 26 of the Code for the City of Richmond ("City Code").

"Recipient" means 7000 Carnation, LLC, and its successors and assigns, to the extent permitted by this Agreement.

"Site" means that certain 5.393 acre parcel currently owned by 7000 Carnation Acquisition, LLC, located at 7000 West Carnation Street and currently referred to in the records of the City Assessor as Parcel No. C0050776004.

"State Housing Finance Agency" means Virginia Housing (formerly known as Virginia Housing Development Authority), a political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, or its successor.

Section 2. Recipient's Obligations

2.1 Completion of Project Construction; Timeline.

2.1.1 Plan of Development. Recipient shall submit a Plan of Development or similar submission for the Project to the City's Director of Planning and Development Review no later than nine (9) months after the Effective Date, which Plan of Development or similar submission shall comply with the relevant provisions of the Richmond City Code and shall contain all elements of the Project as defined herein.

2.1.2 Commencement of the Project Construction. Recipient shall commence construction of the Project within eighteen (18) months of the Effective Date, (the "Construction Commencement Date"), which shall be evidenced by the issuance of all permits necessary for commencement of construction of the Project.

2.1.3 Completion of Project Construction. Recipient shall complete the Project within three years of the Construction Commencement Date, which shall be evidenced by the issuance of a temporary certificate of occupancy for the Project.

2.1.4 Failure to Comply. If Recipient fails to timely comply with any of the provisions of this Section 2.1 then the City's Chief Administrative Officer ("CAO"), in her sole discretion, may either extend the time by which Recipient must comply with the

corresponding requirement or provide written notice of the City's intent to terminate this Agreement. If Recipient fails to cure its failure to comply within 30 days of such written notice then this Agreement, including all rights and obligations herein, shall, upon the City's election, terminate and neither the City nor the Authority shall have any further obligation to the Recipient and Recipient shall no longer be eligible for any Grant Payments hereunder.

2.2 Continued Maintenance and Operation of Project.

2.2.1 Continued Control of the Project by Recipient. Recipient shall continue to own, lease, or otherwise control the Site until completion of Project construction pursuant to Section 2.1.3 of this Agreement and thereafter shall continue to own, lease, or otherwise control the Project until expiration of the Grant Period. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Recipient may transfer the ownership or control interest in the Project to third parties ("Transferee"), and Recipient may (1) assign this Agreement, including the rights and obligations herein to such party or parties at the time it transfers ownership of the Project (including any leasehold interests), and (2) if the Agreement is assigned, Recipient shall provide the City and Authority 30 days' prior written notice of its intent to transfer ownership or control of the Project, which notice shall include the contemplated date of transfer, the name of the party or parties to which it intends to transfer, and a written statement from such party that it is aware that this Agreement, including the rights and obligations herein, will be assigned to such party. Following the transfer of ownership in the Project to the Transferee as provided above, the term "Recipient" as used herein shall mean the Transferee.

2.2.2 Continued Maintenance and Operation of the Project. Following Recipient's completion of Project construction as set forth in Section 2.1.3 of this Agreement, the Recipient, or its successors or assigns, shall continue to Maintain the Project until the expiration of the Grant Period. For avoidance of doubt, Recipients obligation to Maintain the Project includes Recipient's ongoing compliance with the provisions set forth in Section 2.4 (Affordable Housing) of this Agreement.

2.3 MBE Participation.

2.3.1 Goal. The Recipient agrees to diligently work towards the following goal: Where capacity, capability and competitive pricing among minority business enterprises and emerging small businesses exists, 30% of all expenditures for construction costs of the Project that will be paid to third party subcontractors unaffiliated with the Recipient will be spent with minority business enterprises and emerging small businesses that perform commercially useful functions with regard to the prosecution and completion of the Project. The terms "minority business enterprise" and "emerging small business" have the meaning ascribed to them in Chapter 21 of the City Code. The Recipient shall include this goal in its contracts with all assignees, contractors and subcontractors who will be providing any portion of the Project.

2.3.2 Reporting. To enable the City to measure the achievements of the Recipient and its assignees, contractors and subcontractors with regard to the participation goals set forth above, during the period prior to completion of Project construction, the Recipient

shall submit a report upon request detailing all expenditures with minority business enterprises and emerging small businesses, showing, at a minimum, (i) the name of the business, (ii) an itemization of what the business provided, (iii) the amount paid for each item, (iv) the total amount of spending to date with minority business enterprises and emerging small businesses and (v) the percentage of total expenditures for the quarter spent with minority business enterprises and emerging small businesses. If the City chooses, the Recipient shall submit these reports on forms prescribed by the City. The City will use these reports in evaluating the good faith minority business enterprise and emerging small business participation efforts, as defined in Section 21-4 of the City Code, of the Recipient and its assignees, contractors and subcontractors which compete for City contracts.

2.4 Affordable Housing.

The Recipient shall restrict occupancy and rents of the Project according to the schedule shown on Exhibit A, according to standards promulgated by the State Housing Finance Agency. Ongoing compliance monitoring and approvals by the State Housing Finance Agency, as provided to the City upon the City's request, shall serve as evidence of the Recipient's compliance with this section.

2.5 Continued Investment and Capital Improvements

For purposes of continued investment and upkeep of the Project to the benefit of its tenants, payment of Grant Payments subsequent to the initial fifteen (15) years of the Grant Period shall be contingent upon receipt of proof that the Recipient has made capital improvements to the Project in an aggregate amount of Two Million One Hundred and Seventy Thousand dollars ($2,170,000) since the Grant Commencement Date. On each fifth anniversary of the Grant Commencement Date, the Recipient shall upon request submit a report of capital improvements made to the Project since the Grant Commencement Date.

Section 3. Disbursement of Grant.

3.1. Grant. During the Grant Period, the City shall pay to Recipient (or such party to which Recipient has assigned Grant Payments pursuant to Section 9.1 of this Agreement), through the Authority, the Grant Payments for such real estate tax year subject to the provisions of this Section 3.

3.2. Grant Payment Requests. The Recipient shall submit each Grant Payment Request to the CAO, with copies to the Department of Economic Development, the Authority, and the Office of the City Attorney at the respective addresses set forth in Section 8.

3.3. Disbursement of Grant Payment. Upon receipt of a Grant Payment Request, the City shall review the accuracy of the request. The City shall not make a Grant Payment if Recipient did not make full and timely payment of the Real Estate Tax Levy for the applicable installment (except when Recipient (i) makes full payment within 60 days after the date such payment was due to the City and (ii) pays all penalties and interest for such late payment in accordance with any applicable provisions of the Richmond City Code) and shall not make a Grant Payment if Recipient is delinquent in payment of any other taxes

levied by the City for the Project (except when all penalties and interest for such late payment have been paid in accordance with any applicable provision of the Richmond City Code). Within fifteen (15) business days of receipt of a Grant Payment Request, the City shall notify Recipient either that (1) the City denies the request and will not make a Grant Payment for the foregoing reasons, (2) the City approves the request and intends to make a Grant Payment in the amount requested, or (3) the City approves making a payment to Recipient but in a different amount than the amount requested because the amount requested is inconsistent with this Agreement, in which case the City shall indicate the correct Grant Payment amount it intends to make. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City's failure to respond within fifteen (15) business days shall not constitute approval of a requested Grant Payment and the Recipient shall not be entitled to any such payment due solely to the City's failure to timely respond. Subject to any necessary City Council action, including any necessary budget amendment or appropriation of funds, the City agrees to, within fifteen (15) business days of the City's approval of any Grant Payment, transfer the funds for the Grant Payment to the Authority. The Authority agrees to pay the Grant Payment to Recipient (or such party to which Recipient has assigned Grant Payments pursuant to Section 9.1 of this Agreement), within fifteen (15) business days of receipt of the funds from the City.

3.4 **Recipient's Relief.** Should Recipient believe the City failed to comply with Section 3.3 of this Agreement, Recipient may seek relief in accordance with Section 9.2 of this Agreement. Provided, however, Recipient's sole remedy shall be to receive payment for a Grant Payment to which it was entitled (subject to the restrictions set forth in this Agreement, including, but not limited to, Sections 3.3 and 9.5) and for which it did not receive payment.

Section 4. General Administration of Grant

4.1 The City agrees to transfer to the Authority, as and when appropriated by the City Council, the funds necessary for the Authority to meet its obligations under this Agreement relating to the Grant. No administrative fees or expenses shall be paid by the City.

4.2 The Authority's obligation to undertake the activities herein is specially conditioned upon the City providing funding on a timely basis; provided, however, the City's obligation is subject to appropriation by the City Council and availability of funds.

4.3 The Authority agrees to provide the City's Chief Administrative Officer, or the designee thereof, with copies of all documents related to this Agreement and will keep the CAO fully and timely informed of all matters related to this Agreement.

4.4 The Authority agrees that all funds transferred by the City to the Authority for the Grant shall be deposited by the Authority within a Project Fund, to be used only to satisfy the obligations contained in this Agreement related to the Grant.

4.5 It is the intent of the parties not to impose upon the Authority any responsibility, duty, or obligation other than what may be required to implement the Grant. Accordingly, Authority does not assume any responsibility or liability whatsoever except as specifically

stated herein. If litigation involving the Grant is initiated or expected to be filed against the Authority, the Authority shall immediately notify the City Attorney and CAO.

4.6 The Authority shall keep records of its financial transactions, if any, related to the Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The City Auditor or his designee may at any time audit the financial transactions undertaken under this Agreement. The Authority shall cooperate to ensure that the City Auditor is granted reasonable access on a timely basis to all books and records of the Authority necessary to complete such audits.

4.7 The Authority shall not be required to furnish the City a blanket corporate fidelity bond with surety.

Section 5. **Representations of the Recipient**

5.1 The Recipient is empowered to enter into this Agreement, to be bound hereby, and to perform according to the terms hereof.

5.2 Any and all actions necessary to enable the Recipient to enter into this Agreement, and to be bound hereby, have been duly taken.

5.3 The person or persons executing or attesting the execution of this Agreement on behalf of the Recipient has or have been duly authorized and empowered to so execute or attest.

5.4 The execution of this Agreement on behalf of the Recipient will bind and obligate the Recipient to the extent provided by the terms hereof.

5.5 There exists no litigation pending against the Recipient or to the Recipient's knowledge threatened, which if determined adversely, would materially and adversely affect the ability of the Recipient to carry out its obligations under this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereunder.

Section 6. Default.

6.1 Events of Default. Each of the following events (hereinafter called an "Event of Default") shall be a default hereunder by the Recipient as described:

6.1.1 Failure by the Recipient to maintain its corporate existence or the declaration of bankruptcy by the Recipient;

6.1.2 The failure of Recipient to comply with Section 2 of this Agreement; and

6.1.3 The failure of Recipient to pay annual Real Estate Tax Levy.

6.2 Effect of Event of Default. In the case of an occurrence of an Event of Default, the Grant provisions of Section 3 of this Agreement shall, at the City's option, terminate ninety (90) days after the City's notice to Recipient and Recipient's designated lender, unless Recipient cures

the Event of Default to the City's satisfaction within such ninety (90) days, and neither the City nor the Authority shall have any further obligation relating thereto and the Recipient shall no longer be eligible for any Grant Payments hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Recipient's obligations hereunder will remain in force and effect throughout the Grant Period and the City shall be entitled to any remedies available at law and equity, including, but not limited to, specific performance.

Section 7. Recipient Reporting.

The Recipient shall provide, at Recipient's expense, detailed updates and verification reasonably satisfactory to the City of Recipient's progress regarding completion of Project construction and, following Project construction, of Recipient's continued compliance with Section 2.2 of this Agreement.

Section 8. Notices.

Any notices required or permitted under this Agreement shall be given in writing, and shall be deemed to be received upon receipt or refusal after mailing of the same in the United States Mail by certified mail, postage fully pre-paid or by overnight courier (refusal shall mean return of certified mail or overnight courier package not accepted by the addressee):

if to the Recipient, to:

7000 Carnation, LLC
Attention: John Gregory
7 East 2nd Street
Richmond, VA 23224

with a copy to:

Brian K. Jackson, Esq
Hirschler Fleischer, P.C.
2100 East Cary Street
Richmond, VA 23223

if to the City, to:

Chief Administrative Officer
City of Richmond, Virginia
900 East Broad Street Suite 201
Richmond, VA 23219

with a copy to:

Department of Economic Development
City of Richmond, Virginia
1500 East Main Street
Richmond, VA 23219

if to the Authority, to:

Economic Development Authority
of Richmond VA – Attn: Chairman
1500 East Main Street
Richmond, VA 23219

with a copy to:

City Attorney
City of Richmond, Virginia
900 East Broad Street Suite 400
Richmond, VA 23219

Section 9.General Terms and Conditions.

9.1 Entire Agreement; Amendments; Assignments. This Agreement constitutes the

Entire agreement among the parties hereto and may not be amended or modified, except in writing, signed by each of the parties hereto. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns; provided, however, that in no event may this Agreement or any of the rights, benefits, duties, or obligations of the parties hereto be assigned, transferred or otherwise disposed of without the prior written consent of the other, which consent neither part shall be obligated to give, except that Recipient may assign its right to receive payment to another entity authorized to transact business in Virginia by furnishing the City and the Authority with notice identifying the entity and providing both contact and payment information in a form acceptable to the City and the Authority. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, (a) Recipient shall have the right to assign its interest in the Site and Project to any future owner of the Site, the Project, or both, provided the Recipient first shall have complied with the requirements set forth in Section 2.2.1 of this Agreement and shall have submitted to the City the form of all instruments by which it purports to make such assignment and shall have obtained the City's prior written approval thereof, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, in which event the assignor shall be released from all obligations and liabilities under this Agreement; and (b) Recipient shall have the right to grant to a lender a security interest in, and assignment of, Recipient's rights hereunder as collateral for the loan to be provided by a lender providing funds for the development of the Project, and any action taken by such lender or successor in interest to realize on such security interest or assignment and performance thereafter shall be deemed permitted under this Agreement, provided the Recipient first shall have submitted to the City the form of all instruments by which it purports to grant such security interest and assignment and shall have obtained the City's prior written approval thereof, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, but no such consent shall be required to the exercise by lender or any assignee of lender of its right to perform Recipient's obligations hereunder after a default by Recipient under the applicable loan documents. The City agrees that the lender shall not have any liability for any act or omission of Recipient hereunder and shall only be liable hereunder for obligations arising during such time as it is the owner of Recipient's interests in the Site and Project pursuant to foreclosure, deed in lieu of foreclosure or otherwise.

9.2 Governing Law; Venue. All issues and questions concerning the construction, enforcement, interpretation and validity of this Agreement, or the rights and obligations of the parties shall be governed by, and construed and interpreted in accordance with, the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia, without giving effect to any choice of law or conflict of laws rules or provisions, whether of the Commonwealth of Virginia or any other jurisdiction, that would cause the application of the laws of any jurisdiction other than those of the Commonwealth of Virginia. Any and all disputes, claims and causes of action arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, or any performances made hereunder, shall be brought, and any judicial proceeding shall take place, only in the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond, Virginia. Each party shall be responsible for its own attorneys' fees in the event or any litigation or other proceeding arising from this Development Agreement.

9.3 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be an original, and all of which together shall be one and the same instrument.

9.4 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be unenforceable, invalid or illegal, then the enforceability, validity and legality of the remaining provisions will not in any way be affected or impaired, and such provision will be deemed to be restated to reflect the original intentions of the parties as nearly as possible in accordance with

applicable law.

9.5 Subject-to-Appropriations. All payments and other performances by the City and the Authority under this Agreement are subject to City Council approval, Authority Board approval and annual appropriations by the City Council. It is understood and agreed among the parties that the City and the Authority shall be bound hereunder only to the extent of the funds available or which may hereafter become available for the purpose of this Agreement. Under no circumstances shall the City's or the Authority's total liability under this Agreement exceed the total amount of funds appropriated by the City Council for the payments hereunder for the performance of this Agreement.

9.6 Public Disclosure.

9.6.1 Applicable Law. The parties to this Agreement acknowledge that records maintained by or in the custody of the City and the Authority are subject to the provisions of the Virginia Public Records Act, Va. Code §§ 42.1-76 through 42.1-90.1, and the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, Va. Code §§ 2.2-3700 through 2.2-37 14 and thus are subject to the records retention and public disclosure requirements set forth in those statutes.

9.6.2 Challenges to Nondisclosure. If a party submitting records to the City or the Authority requests that those records not be disclosed under applicable law and the City or the Authority consequently denies a request for disclosure of such records based on the submitting party's request, and the City's or the Authority's denial of a request for disclosure of records is challenged in court, the submitting party shall indemnify, hold harmless and defend the City or the Authority, their respective officers and employees from any and all costs, damages, fees and penalties (including attorney's fees and other costs related to litigation) relating thereto.

9.7 No Waiver. Neither failure on the part of the City or the Authority to enforce any covenant or provision contained in this Agreement nor any waiver of any right under this Agreement shall discharge or invalidate such covenant or provision or affect the right of the City or the Authority to enforce the same right in the event of any subsequent default.

9.8 Effective Date of the Agreement. The effective date of this Agreement shall be the date upon which it has been fully executed by the parties following approval by City Council and by the Authority's Board of Directors.

9.9 No Partnership or Joint Venture. It is mutually understood and agreed that nothing contained in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed in any manner or under any circumstance whatsoever as creating and establishing the relationship of copartners or creating or establishing a joint venture between or among any of the parties or as designating any party to the Agreement as the agent or representative of any other party to the Agreement for any purpose.

9.10 No Third Party Beneficiaries. The parties agree that (i) no individual or entity shall be considered, deemed or otherwise recognized to be a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement; (ii) the provisions of this Agreement are not intended to be for the benefit of any individual or entity other than the City, the Authority, or the Recipient; (iii) no other individual or entity shall obtain any right to make any claim against the City, the Authority, or the Recipient under the provisions of this Agreement; and (iv) no provision of this Agreement shall be construed or interpreted to

confer third-party beneficiary status on any individual or entity.

9.11 Signature Authority. Except as specifically otherwise set forth in this Agreement, the CAO or the designee thereof may provide any authorization, approvals, and notices contemplated herein on behalf of the City.

SIGNATURE PAGE TO FOLLOW

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Performance Agreement as of the date first written above.

CITY OF RICHMOND, VIRGINIA
a municipal corporation of the
Commonwealth of Virginia

By: _____
J.E. Lincoln Saunders Date
Chief Administrative Officer

Authorized by Ordinance No. _____

Approved as to Form:

By: _____
City Attorney's Office

7000 CARNATION, LLC, a Virginia limited liability company

By: _____
Date

Name:_____
Title: _____

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND, VIRGINIA,
a political subdivision of the
Commonwealth of Virginia

By: _____
Chairman Date

Approved as to Form:
By: _____
General Counsel to the Authority

EXHIBIT A

Affordable Housing Schedule

The Project shall restrict occupancy and rents to an average income designation of 60% of AMI, according to standards promulgated by the State Housing Finance Agency, for a minimum of thirty (30) years.