

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
ON PROPOSED REMOTE ACCESS POLICY  
OF THE CITY OF RENSSELAER  
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing (the “Public Hearing”) pursuant to Section 103-a(2)(a) of the Public Officers Law of the State of New York (the “Videoconferencing Law”) will be held by the City of Rensselaer Industrial Development Agency (the “Agency”) on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2022 at 4:00 o’clock p.m., local time, at the offices of the Agency located at 62 Washington Street in the City of Rensselaer, Rensselaer County, New York in connection with the following matters:

On April 9, 2022, the New York State legislature passed the New York State 2022-2023 Budget Bill which contained provisions (1) amending Section 103 of the Public Officer’s Law of the State of New York (the “Open Meetings Law”); and (2) adding the Videoconferencing Law to the Open Meetings Law. Pursuant to Section 103-a(2) of the Videoconferencing Law, the Agency, as a “public body” under and as defined in the Videoconferencing Law, may, in its discretion, conduct Remote Access Meetings (as defined herein), provided that the Agency must first (A) conduct a public hearing regarding the proposed authorization of Remote Access Meetings; (B) adopt a resolution authorizing the Agency and each of its committees and subcommittees to conduct Remote Access Meetings (the “Remote Access Resolution”); and (C) establish written procedures governing Remote Access Meetings (such written procedures of the Agency being referred to hereinafter as the “Remote Access Policy”). Copies of the Remote Access Policy shall be available to the public at the location of the Public Hearing. Additionally, copies of the Remote Access Policy can be obtained from the Agency prior to the Public Hearing as further described below.

The Agency is considering whether (A) to authorize Remote Access Meetings and (B) to adopt the Remote Access Policy. A “Remote Access Meeting” shall mean any meeting of the Agency where a member of the Agency participates in such meeting using videoconferencing from a location that is not open to the public.

If the Agency, subsequent to holding the Public Hearing, determines to authorize Remote Access Meetings and adopt the Remote Access Policy, the Agency may thereafter, in its discretion, conduct a Remote Access Meeting. All Remote Access Meetings so conducted by the Agency shall comply with the Videoconferencing Law and the Remote Access Policy, respectively.

The Agency will at said time and place hear all persons with views on the Remote Access Policy being contemplated by the Agency in connection with the authorization contained in the Videoconferencing Law. A transcript or summary report of the hearing will be made available to the members of the Agency.

Prior to the Public Hearing, additional information, including copies of the Remote Access Policy, can be obtained from, and written comments may be addressed to: Jack J. Bonesteel, Chief Executive Officer, City of Rensselaer Industrial Development Agency, 62 Washington Street, Rensselaer, New York 12144; Telephone: (518) 860-2082; E-mail: jack.bonesteel@rensselaer.ny.gov.

Dated: August 8, 2022.

CITY OF RENSSELAER  
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

BY:           /s/ John J. Bonesteel            
John J. Bonesteel, Chief Executive Officer