RESOLUTION of the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF LINDEN

Resolution No. 2022-16

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH NEW PROCUREMENT POLICIES AND PRACTICES

Date Introduced: September 14, 2022 Date Adopted: September 14, 2022

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of the City of Linden ("Housing Authority"), a public entity organized and existing pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), and the laws of the State of New Jersey, has determined that it is in need of implementing new procurement policies and practices; and

WHEREAS, under the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-17(d), all powers of the Housing Authority are vested in the Board of Commissioners ("Board"); and

WHEREAS, the Board desires that all future procurements and contracts shall be subject to Board approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4(a); and

WHEREAS, the Board is a policy-making body; and

WHEREAS, under the Uniform Federal Procurement Regulations, specifically 2 <u>C.F.R.</u> 200.318(a), the Housing Authority is required to have a Procurement Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Procurement Policy is an integral document which is necessary for the orderly operation of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Board is committed to updating the Procurement Policy to ensure continuing compliance with all Federal, HUD, and State of New Jersey statutes, regulations, and/or rules; and

WHEREAS, consistent with this commitment, the Board wishes for the Housing Authority's General Counsel to prepare an updated Procurement Policy; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the Housing Authority and its overall goal of providing quality, affordable housing to low-income seniors to establish new procurement policies and practices;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Linden hereby establishes new procurement policies and practices; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby directs that no procurement and/or contract shall be awarded or entered into without prior Board approval in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4(a); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby directs that all procurements and contracts submitted for Board approval shall be accompanied by a written opinion of General Counsel that the procurement and/or contract is legally compliant in all respects; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby directs General Counsel to prepare an updated Procurement Policy for distribution to the Board and Executive Director at least two (2) weeks in advance of the next Board meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby directs the Executive Director and General Counsel to present the updated Procurement Policy at the next Board meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby authorizes the Executive Director of the Housing Authority to take any and all necessary administrative actions to implement this resolution.

Ann J. Ferguson, Secretary
Housing Authority of the City of Linden