

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-_____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF MERCED, CALIFORNIA,
AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO JOIN THE
STATEWIDE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE
PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE CALIFORNIA
STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT APPLICATIONS
FROM PROPERTY OWNERS, CONDUCT
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PROCEEDINGS AND
LEVY ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE TERRITORY
OF THE CITY OF MERCED; APPROVING FORM
OF ACQUISITION AGREEMENT FOR USE
WHEN APPLICABLE; AND AUTHORIZING
RELATED ACTIONS**

WHEREAS, the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (the “Authority”) is a joint exercise of powers authority the members of which include numerous cities and counties in the State of California, including the City of Merced (the “City”); and

WHEREAS, the Authority has established the Statewide Community Infrastructure Program (“SCIP”) to allow the financing of certain development impact fees (the “Fees”) levied in accordance with the Mitigation Fee Act (California Government Code Sections 66000 and following) and other authority providing for the levy of fees on new development to pay for public capital improvements (collectively, the “Fee Act”) through the levy of special assessments pursuant to the Municipal Improvement Act of 1913 (Streets and Highways Code Sections 10000 and following) (the “1913 Act”) and the issuance of improvement bonds (the “Local Obligations”) under the Improvement Bond Act of 1915 (Streets and Highways Code Sections 8500 and following) (the “1915 Act”) upon the security of the unpaid special assessments; and

WHEREAS, SCIP will also allow the financing of certain public capital improvements to be constructed by or on behalf of property owners for acquisition by the City or another public agency (the “Improvements”); and

WHEREAS, the City desires to allow the owners of property being developed within its jurisdiction (“Participating Developers”) to participate in

SCIP and to allow the Authority to conduct assessment proceedings under the 1913 Act and to issue Local Obligations under the 1915 Act to finance Fees levied on such properties and Improvements, provided that such Participating Developers voluntarily agree to participate and consent to the levy of such assessments; and

WHEREAS, in each year in which eligible property owners within the jurisdiction of the City elect to be Participating Developers, the Authority will conduct assessment proceedings under the 1913 Act and issue Local Obligations under the 1915 Act to finance Fees payable by such property owners and Improvements and, at the conclusion of such proceedings, will levy special assessments on such property within the territory of the City;

WHEREAS, there has been presented to this meeting a proposed form of Resolution of Intention to be adopted by the Authority in connection with such assessment proceedings (the "ROI"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, and the territory within which assessments may be levied for SCIP (provided that each Participating Developer consents to such assessment) shall be coterminous with the City's official boundaries of record at the time of adoption of each such ROI (the "Proposed Boundaries"), and reference is hereby made to such boundaries for the plat or map required to be included in this Resolution pursuant to Section 10104 of the Streets and Highways Code; and

WHEREAS, there has also been presented to this meeting a proposed form of Acquisition Agreement (the "Acquisition Agreement"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B, to be approved as to form for use with respect to any Improvements to be constructed and installed by a Participating Developer and for which the Participating Developer requests acquisition financing as part of its SCIP application; and

WHEREAS, the City will not be responsible for the conduct of any assessment proceedings; the levy or collection of assessments or any required remedial action in the case of delinquencies in such assessment payments; or the issuance, sale or administration of the Local Obligations or any other bonds issued in connection with SCIP; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 6586.5, notice was published at least five days prior to the adoption of this resolution at a public hearing, which was duly conducted by this Council concerning the significant public benefits of SCIP and the financing of the Improvements and the public capital improvements to be paid for with the proceeds of the Fees;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERCED DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE, FIND, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City hereby consents to the conduct of special assessment proceedings by the Authority in connection with SCIP pursuant to the 1913 Act and the issuance of Local Obligations under the 1915 Act on any property within the Proposed Boundaries; provided, that

(1) Such proceedings are conducted pursuant to one or more Resolutions of Intention in substantially the form of the ROI; and

(2) The Participating Developers, who shall be the legal owners of such property, execute a written consent to the levy of assessment in connection with SCIP by the Authority and execute an assessment ballot in favor of such assessment in compliance with the requirements of Section 4 of Article XIID of the State Constitution.

SECTION 2. The City hereby finds and declares that the issuance of bonds by the Authority in connection with SCIP will provide significant public benefits, including without limitation, savings in effective interest rate, bond preparation, bond underwriting and bond issuance costs and the more efficient delivery of local agency services to residential and commercial development within the City.

SECTION 3. The Authority has prepared and will update from time to time the "SCIP Manual of Procedures" (the "Manual"), and the City will handle Fee revenues and funds for Improvements for properties participating in SCIP in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Manual.

SECTION 4. The form of Acquisition Agreement presented to this meeting is hereby approved, and the [Mayor] is authorized to execute and the City Clerk is authorized to attest the execution of a completed Acquisition Agreement in substantially said form and pertaining to the Improvements being financed on behalf of the applicable Participating Developer.

SECTION 5. The appropriate officials and staff of the City are hereby authorized and directed to make SCIP applications available to all property owners who are subject to Fees for new development within the City and/or who are conditioned to install Improvements and to inform such owners of their option to participate in SCIP; provided, that the Authority shall be responsible for providing

such applications and related materials at its own expense. The staff persons listed on the attached Exhibit C, together with any other staff persons chosen by the City Manager from time to time, are hereby designated as the contact persons for the Authority in connection with the SCIP program.

SECTION 6. The appropriate officials and staff of the City are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such closing certificates, requisitions, agreements and related documents, including but not limited to such documents as may be required by Bond Counsel in connection with the participation in SCIP of any districts, authorities or other third-party entities entitled to own Improvements and/or to levy and collect fees on new development to pay for public capital improvements within the jurisdiction of the City, as are reasonably required by the Authority in accordance with the Manual to implement SCIP for Participating Developers and to evidence compliance with the requirements of federal and state law in connection with the issuance by the Authority of the Local Obligations and any other bonds for SCIP. To that end, and pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2, the staff persons listed on Exhibit C, or other staff person acting in the same capacity for the City with respect to SCIP, are hereby authorized and designated to declare the official intent of the City with respect to the public capital improvements to be paid or reimbursed through participation in SCIP.

SECTION 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Authority.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Merced at a regular meeting held on the ____ day of _____ 2018, by the following vote:

AYES: Council Members:

NOES: Council Members:

ABSENT: Council Members:

ABSTAIN: Council Members:

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:
STEVE CARRIGAN, CITY CLERK

BY: _____
Assistant/Deputy City Clerk

(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Valley C. Fincher 11/19/18
City Attorney Date

EXHIBIT A TO THE RESOLUTION

**FORM OF RESOLUTION OF INTENTION
TO BE ADOPTED BY CSCDA**

RESOLUTION NO. __ SCIP-

**RESOLUTION OF INTENTION OF THE CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE
COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO FINANCE CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENTS AND/OR THE PAYMENT OF DEVELOPMENT IMPACT
FEES FOR PUBLIC CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE PROPOSED
STATEWIDE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM ASSESSMENT
DISTRICT NO. __ (CITY OF MERCED, COUNTY OF MERCED,
CALIFORNIA), APPROVING A PROPOSED BOUNDARY MAP, MAKING
CERTAIN DECLARATIONS, FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS
CONCERNING RELATED MATTERS, AND AUTHORIZING RELATED
ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH**

WHEREAS, under the authority of the Municipal Improvement Act of 1913 (the “1913 Act”), being Division 12 (commencing with Sections 10000 and following) of the California Streets and Highways Code (the “Code”), the Commission (the “Commission”) of the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (the “Authority”) intends to finance, through its Statewide Community Infrastructure Program, the payment of certain development impact fees for public improvements (the “Improvement Fees”) and/or to finance certain public capital improvements to be constructed by or on behalf of the property owner(s) and to be acquired by the City of Merced or another local agency (the “Improvements”) as described in Exhibit A attached hereto and by this reference incorporated herein, all of which are of benefit to the property within the proposed Statewide Community Infrastructure Program Assessment District No. __ (City of Merced, County of Merced, California) (the “Assessment District”);

WHEREAS, the Commission finds that the land specially benefited by the Improvements and/or the Improvement Fees is shown within the boundaries of the map entitled “Proposed Boundaries of California Statewide Communities Development Authority Statewide Community Infrastructure Program Assessment District No. __ (City of Merced, County of Merced,) State of California,” a copy of which map is on file with the Secretary and presented to this Commission meeting, and determines that the land within the exterior boundaries shown on the map shall be designated “Statewide Community Infrastructure Program Assessment District No. __ (City of Merced, County of Merced,) State of California”;

WHEREAS, the City of Merced is a member of the Authority and has approved the adoption on its behalf of this Resolution of Intention and has consented to the levy of the assessments in the Assessment District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission of the California Statewide Communities Development Authority hereby finds, determines and resolves as follows:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct.

Section 2. Pursuant to Section 2961 of the Special Assessment Investigation, Limitation and Majority Protest Act of 1931 (the “1931 Act”), being Division 4 (commencing with Section 2800) of the

Code, the Commission hereby declares its intent to comply with the requirements of the 1931 Act by complying with Part 7.5 thereof.

Section 3. The Commission has designated a registered, professional engineer as Engineer of Work for this project, and hereby directs said firm to prepare the report containing the matters required by Sections 2961(b) and 10204 of the Code, as supplemented by Section 4 of Article XIID of the California Constitution.

Section 4. The proposed boundary map of the Assessment District is hereby approved and adopted. Pursuant to Section 3111 of the Code, the Secretary of the Authority is directed to file a copy of the map in the office of the County Recorder of the County of Merced within fifteen (15) days of the adoption of this resolution.

Section 5. The Commission determines that the cost of financing the Improvements and/or the payment of the Improvement Fees shall be specially assessed against the lots, pieces or parcels of land within the Assessment District benefiting from the financing of the Improvements and/or the payment of the Improvement Fees. The Commission intends to levy a special assessment upon such lots, pieces or parcels in accordance with the special benefit to be received by each such lot, piece or parcel of land, respectively, from the financing of the Improvements and/or the payment of the Improvement Fees.

Section 6. The Commission intends, pursuant to subparagraph (f) of Section 10204 of the Code, to provide for an annual assessment upon each of the parcels of land in the proposed Assessment District to pay various costs and expenses incurred from time to time by the Authority and not otherwise reimbursed to the Authority which result from the administration and collection of assessment installments or from the administration or registration of the improvement bonds and the various funds and accounts pertaining thereto.

Section 7. Bonds representing unpaid assessments, and bearing interest at a rate not to exceed twelve percent (12%) per annum, will be issued in the manner provided by the Improvement Bond Act of 1915 (Division 10 of the Code), and the last installment of the bonds shall mature not to exceed twenty-nine (29) years from the second day of September next succeeding twelve (12) months from their date.

Section 8. The procedure for the collection of assessments and advance retirement of bonds under the Improvement Bond Act of 1915 shall be as provided in Part 11.1 thereof.

Section 9. Neither the Authority nor any member agency thereof will obligate itself to advance available funds from its or their own funds or otherwise to cure any deficiency which may occur in the bond redemption fund. A determination not to obligate itself shall not prevent the Authority or any such member agency from, in its sole discretion, so advancing funds.

Section 10. The amount of any surplus remaining in the improvement fund after acquisition of the Improvements and/or payment of Improvement Fees and all other claims shall be distributed in accordance with the provisions of Section 10427.1 of the Code.

Section 11. To the extent any Improvement Fees are paid to the Authority in cash with respect to property within the proposed Assessment District prior to the date of issuance of the bonds, the amounts so paid shall be reimbursed from the proceeds of the bonds to the property owner or developer that made the payment.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the California Statewide Communities Development Authority
this ____ day of _____, 20__.

I, the undersigned, an Authorized Signatory of the California Statewide Communities Development Authority, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Commission of the Authority at a duly called meeting of the Commission of the Authority held in accordance with law on _____, 20__.

By _____
Authorized Signatory
California Statewide Communities
Development Authority

EXHIBIT A TO THE RESOLUTION OF INTENTION

DESCRIPTION OF WORK

The payment of development impact fees levied within the Assessment District and/or public capital improvements to be acquired and owned by the City of Merced or another local agency upon or for the benefit of parcels within the Assessment District, for the project known as [Project Name], which are authorized to be financed pursuant to the Municipal Improvement Act of 1913 and as to which the owners of the applicable parcels within the Assessment District have applied for participation in SCIP, as more particularly described below.

PAYMENT OF IMPACT FEES

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS*

**Capital improvements includes funding for incidental costs associated with the capital improvements, including but not limited to, contingency, design, engineering, and construction management*

[End of Form of Resolution of Intention]

EXHIBIT B TO THE RESOLUTION

FORM OF ACQUISITION AGREEMENT

**CALIFORNIA STATEWIDE COMMUNITIES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
STATEWIDE COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM**

ACQUISITION AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

CITY OF MERCED

AND

[DEVELOPER]

Dated as of _____, 20__

ACQUISITION AGREEMENT

Recitals

A. The parties to this Acquisition Agreement (the “Agreement”) are the CITY OF MERCED, (the “Local Agency”), and [DEVELOPER], a [here indicate type of legal entity] (the “Developer”).

B. The effective date of this Agreement is _____, 20__.

C. The Developer has applied for financing of certain public capital improvements (the “Acquisition Improvements”) and capital facilities fees through the Statewide Community Infrastructure Program (“SCIP”) administered by the California Statewide Communities Development Authority (the “Authority”) and such application has been approved by the Local Agency.

D. The administration, payment and reimbursement of the capital facilities fees is agreed to be governed by the provisions of the SCIP Manual of Procedures as it may be amended from time to time. The administration, payment and reimbursement of the Acquisition Improvements shall be as provided herein.

E. Under SCIP, the Authority intends to issue bonds to fund, among other things, all or a portion of the costs of the Acquisition Improvements, and the portion of the proceeds of such bonds allocable to the cost of the Acquisition Improvements to be constructed and installed by the Developer, together with interest earned thereon prior to such acquisition, is referred to herein as the “Available Amount”.

F. SCIP will provide financing for the acquisition by the Local Agency of the Acquisition Improvements and the payment of the Acquisition Price (as defined herein) of the Acquisition Improvements from the Available Amount. Attached hereto as Exhibit A are descriptions of the Acquisition Improvements, which descriptions are subject to modification by written amendment of this Agreement, subject to the approval of the Authority.

G. The parties anticipate that, upon completion of the Acquisition Improvements and subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Local Agency will acquire such completed Acquisition Improvements with the Available Amount.

H. Any and all monetary obligations of the Local Agency arising out of this Agreement are the special and limited obligations of the Local Agency payable only from the Available Amount, and no other funds whatsoever of the Local Agency shall be obligated therefor.

I. In consideration of Recitals A through H, inclusive, and the mutual covenants, undertakings and obligations set forth below, the Local Agency and the Developer agree as stated below.

Agreement

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS; ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FORMATION AND
FINANCING PLAN

Section 1.01. Definitions. As used herein, the following capitalized terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them below:

“Acceptable Title” means free and clear of all monetary liens, encumbrances, assessments, whether any such item is recorded or unrecorded, and taxes, except those items which are reasonably determined by the Local Agency Engineer in his sole discretion not to interfere with the intended use and therefore are not required to be cleared from the title.

“Acquisition Improvements” shall have the meaning assigned to such term in Recital C and are described in Exhibit A.

“Acquisition Price” means the amount paid to the Developer upon acquisition of all of the Acquisition Improvements as provided in Section 2.03.

“Actual Cost” means the cost of construction of all of the Acquisition Improvements, as documented by the Developer to the satisfaction of the Local Agency, as certified by the Local Agency Engineer in an Actual Cost Certificate.

“Actual Cost Certificate” shall mean a certificate prepared by the Developer detailing the Actual Cost of all of the Acquisition Improvement to be acquired hereunder, as revised by the Local Agency Engineer pursuant to Section 2.03.

“Agreement” means this Acquisition Agreement, dated as of _____, 20__.

“Assessment District” means the assessment district established by the Authority pursuant to SCIP which includes the Developer's property for which the Acquisition Improvements are being funded.

“Authority” means the California Statewide Communities Development Authority.

“Available Amount” means the amount of funds deposited in the Developer Acquisition Account by the Authority pursuant to SCIP, together with any interest earnings thereon.

“Code” means the Streets and Highways Code of the State of California.

“Developer” means [Developer], a [here indicate type of legal entity].

“[Developer] Acquisition Account” means the account by that name established by the Authority pursuant to SCIP for the purpose of paying the Acquisition Price of the Acquisition Improvements.

“Local Agency” means the City of Merced.

“Local Agency Engineer” means the Director of Public Works of the Local Agency (the “Director”) or the designee of the Director, who will be responsible for administering the acquisition of the Acquisition Improvements hereunder.

“Project” means the land development program of the Developer pertaining to the Developer’s property in the Assessment District, including the design and construction of the Acquisition Improvements and the other public and private improvements to be constructed by the Developer within or adjacent to the Assessment District.

“SCIP” means the Statewide Community Infrastructure Program of the Authority.

“SCIP Requisition” means a requisition for payment of funds from the [Developer] Acquisition Account in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit B.

“SCIP Trust Agreement” means the Trust Agreement entered into by the Authority and the SCIP Trustee in connection with the financing for the Acquisition Improvements.

“SCIP Trustee” means Wilmington Trust, National Association, as trustee under the SCIP Trust Agreement.

“Title Documents” means, for each Acquisition Improvement acquired hereunder, a grant deed or similar instrument necessary to transfer title to any real property or interests therein (including easements) necessary or convenient to the operation, maintenance, rehabilitation and improvement by the Local Agency of that Acquisition Improvement (including, if necessary, easements for ingress and egress) and a Bill of Sale or similar instrument evidencing transfer of title to that Acquisition Improvement (other than said real property interests) to the Local Agency, where applicable.

Section 1.02. Participation in SCIP. Developer has applied for financing through SCIP of the Acquisition Improvements, and such application has been approved by the Local Agency. Developer and Local Agency agree that until and unless such financing is completed by the Authority and the Available Amount is deposited in the Developer Acquisition Account, neither the Developer nor the Local Agency shall have any obligations under this agreement. Developer agrees to cooperate with the Local Agency and the Authority in the completion of SCIP financing for the Acquisition Improvements.

Section 1.03. Deposit and Use of Available Amount .

(a) Upon completion of the SCIP financing, the Available Amount will be deposited by the Authority in the [Developer] Acquisition Account.

(b) The Authority will cause the SCIP Trustee to establish and maintain the [Developer] Acquisition Account for the purpose of holding all funds for the Acquisition Improvements. All earnings on amounts in the [Developer] Acquisition Account shall remain in the [Developer] Acquisition Account for use as provided herein and pursuant to SCIP. The amounts in the [Developer] Acquisition Account shall be withdrawn by the Local Agency in

accordance with SCIP procedures upon completion of the Acquisition Improvements within 30 days (or as soon thereafter as reasonably practicable) of receipt by the Local Agency of the certification of the Local Agency Engineer required by Section 2.03 of this Agreement, and subject to satisfaction of all other conditions precedent to such acquisition pursuant to Section 2.04 of this Agreement, to pay the Acquisition Price of such completed Acquisition Improvements, as specified in Article II hereof. Upon completion of all of the Acquisition Improvements and the payment of all costs thereof, any remaining funds in the [Developer] Acquisition Account (less any amount determined by the Local Agency as necessary to reserve for claims against such account) (i) shall be applied to pay the costs of any additional improvements eligible for acquisition with respect to the Project as approved by the Authority and, to the extent not so used, thereafter (ii) shall be applied by the Authority as provided in Section 10427.1 of the Code to pay a portion of the assessments levied on the Project property in the Assessment District.

Section 1.04. No Local Agency Liability; Local Agency Discretion; No Effect on Other Agreements. In no event shall any actual or alleged act by the Local Agency or any actual or alleged omission or failure to act by the Local Agency with respect to SCIP subject the Local Agency to monetary liability therefor. Further, nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as affecting the Developer's or the Local Agency's duty to perform their respective obligations under any other agreements, public improvement standards, land use regulations or subdivision requirements related to the Project, which obligations are and shall remain independent of the Developer's and the Local Agency's rights and obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE II

DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND ACQUISITION OF ACQUISITION IMPROVEMENTS

Section 2.01. Letting and Administering Design Contracts. The parties presently anticipate that the Developer has awarded and administered or will award and administer engineering design contracts for the Acquisition Improvements to be acquired from Developer. All eligible expenditures of the Developer for design engineering and related costs in connection with the Acquisition Improvements (whether as an advance to the Local Agency or directly to the design consultant) shall be reimbursed at the time of acquisition of such Acquisition Improvements. The Developer shall be entitled to reimbursement for any design costs of the Acquisition Improvements only out of the Acquisition Price as provided in Section 2.03 and shall not be entitled to any payment for design costs independent of or prior to the acquisition of Acquisition Improvements.

Section 2.02. Letting and Administration of Construction Contracts. State law requires that all Acquisition Improvements shall be constructed as if they were constructed under the direction and supervision of the Local Agency. In order to assure compliance with those provisions, except for any contracts entered into prior to the date hereof, Developer agrees to comply with the guidelines of the Local Agency for letting and administering said contracts. The Developer agrees that all such contracts shall call for payment of prevailing wages as required by the Labor Code of the State of California.

Section 2.03. Sale of Acquisition Improvements. The Developer agrees to sell to the Local Agency the Acquisition Improvements to be constructed by Developer (including any rights-of-way or other easements necessary for the operation and maintenance of the Acquisition Improvements, to the extent not already publicly owned) when such Acquisition Improvements are completed to the satisfaction of the Local Agency for an amount not to exceed the lesser of (i) the Available Amount or (ii) the Actual Cost of the Acquisition Improvements. Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein, contains a list of each Acquisition Improvement. At the time of completion of each Acquisition Improvement, the Developer shall deliver to the Local Agency Engineer a written request for acquisition, accompanied by an Actual Cost Certificate and executed Title Documents for the transfer of the Acquisition Improvement, where necessary. In the event that the Local Agency Engineer finds that the supporting paperwork submitted by the Developer fails to demonstrate the required relationship between the subject Actual Cost and the related Acquisition Improvement, the Local Agency Engineer shall advise the Developer that the determination of the Actual Cost (or the ineligible portion thereof) has been disallowed and shall request further documentation from the Developer. If such further documentation is still not adequate, the Local Agency Engineer may revise the Actual Cost Certificate to delete any disallowed items, and such determination shall be final and conclusive.

In the event that the Actual Cost is in excess of the Available Amount, the Local Agency shall withdraw the Available Amount from the [Developer] Acquisition Account and transfer said amount to the Developer. In the event that the Actual Cost is less than the Available Amount, the Local Agency shall withdraw an amount from the [Developer] Acquisition Account equal to the Actual Cost, and shall transfer said amount to the Developer. Any amounts then remaining in the [Developer] Acquisition Account shall be applied as provided in Section 1.03.

In no event shall the Local Agency be required to pay the Developer more than the amount on deposit in the [Developer] Acquisition Account at the time such payment is requested.

Section 2.04. Conditions Precedent to Payment of Acquisition Price. Payment by the Local Agency to the Developer from the [Developer] Acquisition Account of the Acquisition Price for an Acquisition Improvement shall be conditioned first upon the determination of the Local Agency Engineer, pursuant to Section 2.03, that such Acquisition Improvement is all complete and ready for acceptance by the Local Agency, and shall be further conditioned upon prior satisfaction of the following additional conditions precedent:

(a) The Developer shall have provided the Local Agency with lien releases or other similar documentation satisfactory to the Local Agency as evidence that the property which is subject to the special assessment liens of the Assessment District is not subject to any prospective mechanics lien claim respecting the Acquisition Improvements.

(b) All due and payable property taxes, and installments of special assessments shall be current on property owned by the Developer or under option to the Developer that is subject to the special assessment liens of the Assessment District.

(c) The Developer shall certify that it is not in default with respect to any loan secured by any interest in the Project.

(d) The Developer shall have provided the Local Agency with Title Documents needed to provide the Local Agency with title to the site, right-of-way, or easement upon which the subject Acquisition Improvements are situated. All such Title Documents shall be in a form acceptable to the Local Agency (or applicable governmental agency) and shall convey Acceptable Title. The Developer shall provide a policy of title insurance as of the date of transfer in a form acceptable to the Local Agency Engineer insuring the Local Agency as to the interests acquired in connection with the acquisition of any interest for which such a policy of title insurance is not required by another agreement between the Local Agency and the Developer. Each title insurance policy required hereunder shall be in the amount equal to or greater than the Acquisition Price.

Section 2.05. SCIP Requisition. Upon a determination by the Local Agency Engineer to pay the Acquisition Price of the Acquisition Improvements pursuant to Section 2.04, the Local Agency Engineer shall cause a SCIP Requisition to be submitted to the Program Administrator. The Program Administrator will review the SCIP Requisition and forward it with instructions to the SCIP Trustee and the SCIP Trustee shall make payment directly to the Developer of such amount pursuant to the SCIP Trust Agreement. The Local Agency and the Developer acknowledge and agree that the SCIP Trustee shall make payment strictly in accordance with the SCIP Requisition and shall not be required to determine whether or not the Acquisition Improvements have been completed or what the Actual Costs may be with respect to such Acquisition Improvements. The SCIP Trustee shall be entitled to rely on the SCIP Requisition on its face without any further duty of investigation.

ARTICLE III

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 3.01. Indemnification and Hold Harmless. The Developer hereby assumes the defense of, and indemnifies and saves harmless the Local Agency, the Authority, and each of its respective officers, directors, employees and agents, from and against all actions, damages, claims, losses or expenses of every type and description to which they may be subjected or put, by reason of, or resulting from or alleged to have resulted from the acts or omissions of the Developer or its agents and employees in the performance of this Agreement, or arising out of any contract for the design, engineering and construction of the Acquisition Improvements or arising out of any alleged misstatements of fact or alleged omission of a material fact made by the Developer, its officers, directors, employees or agents to the Authority's underwriter, financial advisor, appraiser, district engineer or bond counsel or regarding the Developer, its proposed developments, its property ownership and its contractual arrangements contained in the official statement relating to the SCIP financing (provided that the Developer shall have been furnished a copy of such official statement and shall not have objected thereto); and provided, further, that nothing in this Section 3.01 shall limit in any manner the Local Agency's rights against any of the Developer's architects, engineers, contractors or other consultants. Except as set forth in this Section 3.01, no provision of this Agreement shall in any way limit the extent of the responsibility of the Developer for payment of damages resulting from the operations of the Developer, its agents and employees. Nothing in this Section 3.01 shall be understood or construed to mean that the Developer agrees to

indemnify the Local Agency, the Authority or any of its respective officers, directors, employees or agents, for any negligent or wrongful acts or omissions to act of the Local Agency, Authority its officers, employees, agents or any consultants or contractors.

Section 3.02. Audit. The Local Agency shall have the right, during normal business hours and upon the giving of ten days' written notice to the Developer, to review all books and records of the Developer pertaining to costs and expenses incurred by the Developer (for which the Developer seeks reimbursement) in constructing the Acquisition Improvements.

Section 3.03. Cooperation. The Local Agency and the Developer agree to cooperate with respect to the completion of the SCIP financing for the Acquisition Improvements. The Local Agency and the Developer agree to meet in good faith to resolve any differences on future matters which are not specifically covered by this Agreement.

Section 3.04. General Standard of Reasonableness. Any provision of this Agreement which requires the consent, approval or acceptance of either party hereto or any of their respective employees, officers or agents shall be deemed to require that such consent, approval or acceptance not be unreasonably withheld or delayed, unless such provision expressly incorporates a different standard. The foregoing provision shall not apply to provisions in the Agreement which provide for decisions to be in the sole discretion of the party making the decision.

Section 3.05. Third Party Beneficiaries. The Authority and its officers, employees, agents or any consultants or contractors are expressly deemed third party beneficiaries of this Agreement with respect to the provisions of Section 3.01. It is expressly agreed that, except for the Authority with respect to the provisions of Section 3.01, there are no third party beneficiaries of this Agreement, including without limitation any owners of bonds, any of the Local Agency's or the Developer's contractors for the Acquisition Improvements and any of the Local Agency's, the Authority's or the Developer's agents and employees.

Section 3.06. Conflict with Other Agreements. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as releasing the Developer or the Local Agency from any condition of development or requirement imposed by any other agreement between the Local Agency and the Developer, and, in the event of a conflicting provision, such other agreement shall prevail unless such conflicting provision is specifically waived or modified in writing by the Local Agency and the Developer.

Section 3.07. Notices. All invoices for payment, reports, other communication and notices relating to this Agreement shall be mailed to:

If to the Local Agency:

City of Merced
[Address to Come]

If to the Developer:

[Developer]
[Address to Come]

Either party may change its address by giving notice in writing to the other party.

Section 3.08. Severability. If any part of this Agreement is held to be illegal or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Agreement shall be given effect to the fullest extent reasonably possible.

Section 3.09. Governing Law. This Agreement and any dispute arising hereunder shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

Section 3.10. Waiver. Failure by a party to insist upon the strict performance of any of the provisions of this Agreement by the other party, or the failure by a party to exercise its rights upon the default of the other party, shall not constitute a waiver of such party's right to insist and demand strict compliance by the other party with the terms of this Agreement.

Section 3.11. Singular and Plural; Gender. As used herein, the singular of any word includes the plural, and terms in the masculine gender shall include the feminine.

Section 3.12. Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original.

Section 3.13. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement is binding upon the heirs, assigns and successors-in-interest of the parties hereto. The Developer may not assign its rights or obligations hereunder, except to successors-in-interest to the property within the District, without the prior written consent of the Local Agency.

Section 3.14. Remedies in General. It is acknowledged by the parties that the Local Agency would not have entered into this Agreement if it were to be liable in damages under or with respect to this Agreement or the application thereof, other than for the payment to the Developer of any (i) moneys owing to the Developer hereunder, or (ii) moneys paid by the Developer pursuant to the provisions hereof which are misappropriated or improperly obtained, withheld or applied by the Local Agency.

In general, each of the parties hereto may pursue any remedy at law or equity available for the breach of any provision of this Agreement, except that the Local Agency shall not be liable in damages to the Developer, or to any assignee or transferee of the Developer other than

for the payments to the Developer specified in the preceding paragraph. Subject to the foregoing, the Developer covenants not to sue for or claim any damages for any alleged breach of, or dispute which arises out of, this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement as of the day and year written above.

CITY OF MERCED

ATTEST:
City Clerk

By _____
[Mayor]

By _____

[DEVELOPER],
a [here indicate type of legal entity]

By _____
(Signature)

(Print Name)

EXHIBIT A TO THE ACQUISITION AGREEMENT

DESCRIPTION OF ACQUISITION IMPROVEMENTS AND BUDGETED AMOUNTS

| <u>ACQUISITION IMPROVEMENTS</u> | <u>BUDGETED AMOUNTS</u> |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. | \$ |
| 2. | |
| 3. | |
| 4. | |

EXHIBIT B TO THE ACQUISITION AGREEMENT

FORM OF SCIP REQUISITION

To: BLX Group LLC
SCIP Program Administrator
777 S. Figueroa St., Suite 3200
Los Angeles, California 90017
Attention: Vo Nguyen
Fax: 213-612-2499

Re: Statewide Community Infrastructure Program

The undersigned, a duly authorized officer of the CITY OF MERCED hereby requests a withdrawal from the [DEVELOPER] ACQUISITION ACCOUNT, as follows:

Request Date: [Insert Date of Request]

Name of Developer: [Developer]

Withdrawal Amount: [Insert Acquisition Price]

Acquisition Improvements: [Insert Description of Acquisition Improvement(s) from Ex. A]

Payment Instructions: [Insert Wire Instructions or Payment Address for Developer]

The undersigned hereby certifies as follows:

1. The Withdrawal is being made in accordance with a permitted use of such monies pursuant to the Acquisition Agreement, and the Withdrawal is not being made for the purpose of reinvestment.
2. None of the items for which payment is requested have been reimbursed previously from other sources of funds.
3. If the Withdrawal Amount is greater than the funds held in the [Developer] Acquisition Account, the SCIP Program Administrator is authorized to amend the amount requested to be equal to the amount of such funds.
4. To the extent the Withdrawal is being made prior to the date bonds have been issued on behalf of SCIP, this withdrawal form serves as the declaration of official intent of the CITY OF MERCED, pursuant to Treasury Regulations 1.150-2, to reimburse with respect expenditures made from the Developer Acquisition Account listed above in the amount listed above.

CITY OF MERCED

By : _____

Title: _____

EXHIBIT C TO THE RESOLUTION

CITY OF MERCED CONTACTS FOR SCIP PROGRAM

Primary Contact

Name: Frank Quintero

Title: Director of Economic Development

Mailing Address: 678 West 18th Street, Merced, CA 95340

Delivery Address (if different):

E-mail: QUINTEROF@cityofmerced.org

Telephone: (209) 385-6827

Fax:

Secondary Contact

Name:

Title:

Mailing Address:

Delivery Address (if different):

E-mail:

Telephone:

Fax:

[Add additional contacts as needed]

CERTIFICATION OF RESOLUTION

I, the undersigned, the duly appointed and qualified City Clerk of the City of Merced, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. _____ was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Merced duly and regularly held at the regular meeting place thereof on the _____ day of _____, 20__, of which meeting all of the members of said City Council had due notice and at which a majority thereof were present.

An agenda of said meeting was posted at least 72 hours before said meeting at _____, a location freely accessible to members of the public, and a brief description of said resolution appeared on said agenda.

I have carefully compared the foregoing with the original minutes of said meeting on file and of record in my office, and the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the original resolution adopted at said meeting and entered in said minutes.

Said resolution has not been amended, modified or rescinded since the date of its adoption and the same is now in full force and effect.

Dated: _____, 20__

City Clerk
City of Merced

By: _____

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