

PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

**467 Richmond Avenue LLC and/or
Individual(s) or Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies),
or Entity(ies) formed or to be formed on its
behalf Project**

Public Hearing to be held on May 31, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.,
at the Agency's offices, at 95 Perry Street-Suite 403, Buffalo, NY 14203

ATTENDANCE

Bonni Danni, REVPAC

Rachael Heckl, REVPAC

1. WELCOME: Call to Order and Identity of Hearing Officer.

Hearing Officer: *Welcome. This public hearing is now open; it is 10:00 a.m. My name is Grant Lesswing. I am the Business Development Officer of the Erie County Industrial Development Agency, and I have been designated by the Agency to be the hearing officer to conduct this public hearing.*

2. PURPOSE: Purpose of the Hearing.

Hearing Officer: *We are here to hold the public hearing on the {Company} and/or Individual(s) or Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies), or Entity(ies) formed or to be formed on its behalf project. The transcript of this hearing will be reviewed and considered by the Agency in determination of this project. Notice of this hearing appeared in The Buffalo News on Wednesday, May 17, 2017.*

3. PROJECT SUMMARY: Description of Project and Contemplated Agency Benefits.

Hearing Officer: *The proposed project (the "Project") consists of: (i) a 0.27+/- acre parcel of land located at 467 Richmond Avenue, City of Buffalo, Erie County, New York (the "Land") improved with the existing historic 36,000+/- SF, two (2) story building formerly known as the Richmond Methodist Episcopal Church (the "Existing Improvements"); (ii) the construction and equipping of a new 1,000+/- SF addition and the renovation, upgrading and equipping of the Existing Improvements thereon into a visual and performing arts campus mixed-use project consisting recording facilities, corporate and business meeting space,*

and rehearsal, performance and event space (the “Improvements”); and (iii) the acquisition and installation by the Company of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the “Equipment”, and collectively with the Land, Existing Improvements and the Improvements, the “Facility”).

The proposed financial assistance contemplated by the Agency includes New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits and mortgage recording tax exemption benefits (in compliance with Agency's uniform tax exemption policy).

4. FORMAT OF HEARING: Review rules and manner in which the hearing will proceed.

Hearing Officer: *All those in attendance are required to register by signing the sign-in sheet at the front of the room; you will not be permitted to speak unless you have registered. If you have a written comment to submit for the record, you may do so. Written comments may also be delivered to the Agency at 95 Perry Street, Suite 403, Buffalo, New York 14203 until the comment period closes on June 27, 2017. There are no limitations on written comments.*

5. PUBLIC COMMENT: Hearing Officer gives the Public an opportunity to speak.

Hearing Officer: *If anyone is interested in making a comment, please raise your hand, state your name and address; if you are representing a company, please identify the company. I request that speakers keep comments to 5 minutes, and if possible, 3 minutes.*

Rachael Heckl – Co-Partner of 467 Richmond Avenue, LLC. We are the proposals of the project to renovate and adaptively reuse the former Methodist Church at the corner of West Ferry and Richmond Avenue. An 1890’s structure that we would like to turn into multi-use art center and host a variety of arts organization businesses that are in the performing visual & movement arts. We will also have businesses there that will be doing culinary arts and a variety of opportunities for community groups and individuals from the surrounding neighborhood to utilize the space for community purposes and community events.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

As there were no further comments, the Hearing Officer closed the public hearing at 10:15 a.m.

**SIGN IN SHEET
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Project Location: 467 Richmond Avenue, City of Buffalo, Erie County, New York

Name	Company and/or Address	X box to speak/ comment
Bonni Danni	REVPAC 345 West Ferry Street Buffalo, New York 14213	
Rachael Heckl	REVPAC 345 West Ferry Street Buffalo, New York 14213	X