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# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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entered, in duplicate, as of July 12, 2006 (the "Effective Date"), pursuant to a minute order adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting on April 18, 2006, by and between THE LEE GROUP, INC., a California corporation, and KENSINGTON HOLDINGS, LLC, a California limited liability company (collectively, "Developer") and the CITY OF LONG BEACH, a municipal corporation ("City").

# 1. NEGOTIATIONS

City and Developer agree (for the period stated below) to negotiate in good faith pursuant to the terms of this Agreement with respect to the purchase and sale and subsequent development of certain real property more particularly depicted in Exhibit "A" attached hereto (the "Property"). The general terms and conditions of such proposed purchase and development negotiated by City and Developer will be reflected in a pro forma (the "Pro Forma") and a design package for the Property. After City and Developer have finalized the Pro Forma and design package submitted by Developer, then City staff may, but shall not be required to, recommend to the Long Beach City Council (the "City Council") that the City Council authorize, but not require, City to enter into a purchase and sale agreement and/or certain development agreements to be executed between Developer and City, using the Final Pro Forma and Final Conceptual Plans (each as defined below) as the general basis therefor, but without limiting City's ability to further negotiate the terms of the Pro Forma and the design package.

Subject to the provisions of Section 9, City agrees (for the period stated below) not to negotiate with any other person or entity regarding development of the Property without the consent of Developer. Nothing in this Agreement shall be deemed a covenant, approval, promise or commitment by City, or any agency or Department of City, with respect to the acquisition of the Property or the approval of development, including without limitation approvals given during the normal course of development by the Planning &

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Building Department, Public Works, the Fire Department, the Community Development Department and all other applicable City Departments. City's acceptance of this Agreement is merely an agreement to enter into a period of negotiations according to the terms hereof, reserving final and absolute discretion and approval by City as to any actions required of City.

# 2. NEGOTIATION PERIOD

City and Developer agree to negotiate for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days after the Effective Date of this Agreement in order to complete and finalize the Pro Forma. If, upon the expiration of such period of time, Developer has not finalized a Pro Forma and submitted the same to City and/or City has not accepted the same, then this Agreement shall automatically terminate and Developer shall have no further rights regarding the subject matter of this Agreement or the Property, and City shall be free to negotiate with any other persons or entities with regard to the Property. The Director of City's Community Development Department, or designee, shall negotiate the terms and conditions of the purchase and sale and development of the Property subject to the City Council's final approval.

# 3. GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT

Prior to the execution of this Agreement and as a condition to the effectiveness hereof, Developer shall deposit with the City Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) in immediately available funds (the "Good Faith Deposit"), Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) of which shall be non-refundable. The Good Faith Deposit shall be drawn upon by City to reimburse City for all costs and expenses reasonably incurred by City in connection with the execution and administration of this Agreement and the negotiations with Developer that are the subject hereof. Developer shall be obligated to reimburse City for all of the costs and expenses incurred by City under this Agreement, including without limitation staff time, surveyor fees, engineering fees, economic advisor fees and architect fees, regardless of whether this Agreement is terminated, extended, or results in the finalization and acceptance of the Pro Forma; provided, however, that Developer shall not be obligated to

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reimburse City for costs and expenses that exceed the amount of the Good Faith Deposit. When City has drawn upon the first \$10,000 of the Good Faith Deposit, City shall provide Developer with an accounting of the fees and expenses incurred by City and the corresponding deductions from the Good Faith Deposit, and thereafter shall provide monthly accountings of said fees and expenses and corresponding deductions.

If this Agreement terminates by its own terms without the finalization and acceptance by City of the Pro Forma and without default by Developer, then the remaining balance of the Good Faith Deposit, but in no event more than Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000), shall be returned to Developer after the City processes all outstanding and final invoices. If this Agreement terminates due to the default of the Developer, then the remaining balance of the Good Faith Deposit shall be retained by City. Developer agrees that in the event of a default by Developer hereunder City's damages would be difficult to determine, and that retention of the Good Faith Deposit by City represents a reasonable estimate of such damages. If this Agreement results in the acceptance of the Pro Forma and the selection of the Developer for recommendation to the City Council for further purchase and development negotiations, any unspent amount of the Good Faith Deposit shall be held by City and applied towards City expenses and applicable fees during the subsequent purchase and development process.

# 4. PRO FORMAS

Within forty-five (45) days of the Effective Date, Developer shall complete a formulation of two alternate development plans, one which contemplates 5% of project units to be affordable as "moderate income" units and the other which contemplates 100% market rates (collectively, the "Draft Pro Forma"), on a pro forma template to be provided to Developer by City on or before the Effective Date and shall submit the same to City for its review. Within forty-five (45) days of the City's receipt of the Draft Pro Forma, City will deliver its analysis and written comments to Developer ("City Pro Forma Comments"). Within thirty (30) days of Developer's receipt of the City Pro Forma Comments, Developer shall revise its Draft Pro Forma and re-submit the same to City ("Final Pro Forma"). The

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Final Pro Forma, along with the Final Conceptual Plans, shall represent the Developer's final offer for purchase and development of the Property, which may be accepted or rejected by City in its sole and absolute discretion. If Developer fails to deliver its Draft Pro Forma or Final Pro Forma within the time periods applicable to each submission, Developer shall immediately be in default hereunder, this Agreement shall automatically terminate, and City shall have the right to retain any remaining balance of the Good Faith Deposit.

#### 5. DESIGN PACKAGE

Within forty-five (45) days of the Effective Date, Developer shall submit a design package for the development of the Property ("Draft Conceptual Plans") to City for its review. The design package shall be comprehensive enough to allow City to objectively analyze and understand the design intent of the proposal and such package should explore sustainable features and should also identify treatment of the potentially historic building located upon the Property. Notwithstanding the above, the design package required hereunder is not expected to meet site plan review requirements. Within forty-five (45) days of the City's receipt of the Draft Conceptual Plans, City will deliver its analysis and written comments to Developer ("City Plan Comments"). Within thirty (30) days of Developer's receipt of the City Plan Comments, Developer shall revise its Draft Conceptual Plans and re-submit the same to City ("Final Conceptual Plans"). If Developer fails to deliver its Draft Conceptual Plans or Final Conceptual Plans within the time periods applicable to each submission, this Agreement shall automatically terminate. If Developer fails to deliver its Draft Conceptual Plans or Final Conceptual Plans within the time periods applicable to each submission, Developer shall immediately be in default hereunder, this Agreement shall automatically terminate, and City shall have the right to retain any remaining balance of the Good Faith Deposit.

#### 6. OTHER OBLIGATIONS OF CITY

City shall provide Developer with all due diligence documentation and other materials in City's possession which may be legally disclosed to Developer for the

purposes of this negotiation ("Due Diligence Materials") within five (5) business days after the Effective Date.

City shall provide Developer access to the Property, during business hours, up to five (5) times during the term of this Agreement. Developer shall deliver at least five (5) business days advance notice to City of its intention to access the Property, and City shall make all arrangements necessary to grant such access.

# 7. FEES

All fees and expenses associated with engineers, architects, financial consultants, lawyers, planning consultants and all other consultants and contractors retained by Developer, and all fees associated with subsequent environmental consultants, permitting processes and CEQA review, including negative declarations or EIRs, shall be the sole responsibility of Developer. Under no circumstances shall City be obligated to pay or reimburse any costs or fees incurred by Developer in performance of any obligations of Developer under this Agreement.

# 8. NOTICES

All notices given pursuant to the provisions hereof may be served either by: (1) enclosing the same in a sealed envelope addressed to the party intended to receive the same at the address indicated herein and deposited postage prepaid, in the U.S. Postal Service as certified mail, return receipt requested, or (2) personal service. Such notices shall be effective on the date personal service is effected or the date of the signature on the return receipt. For the purposes hereof, the address of City and the proper party to receive any such notices on its behalf is City of Long Beach Project Development Bureau Manager, Community Development Department, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Long Beach, California 90802; and Developer's address for service of any such notices shall be 310 Was king for Blvd, Marina Del Key, CA 90292

#### 9. LIMITED EXCLUSIVITY

Developer acknowledges that notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1, City is negotiating for the purchase and sale and subsequent development of the Property with 1

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Grand Prix Place LLC, a California limited liability company ("Grand Prix") in addition to Developer, pursuant to terms and conditions substantially the same as those contained in this Agreement. Developer acknowledges and agrees that City may freely negotiate with Grand Prix and during the course of negotiations may offer terms and conditions substantially different from those offered to Developer.

# 10. TRANSFER OR ASSIGNMENT

Developer shall not transfer or assign any interest in, or benefits from, this Agreement to any person, agency or entity not named as a party in the opening recital of this Agreement (collectively, "Third Parties"). Developer shall not allow any Third Parties access to any Due Diligence Materials nor shall Developer provide copies of the same to any Third Parties.

# 11. PREVAILING WAGE

At this point in the negotiations to purchase and develop the Property it is uncertain whether the development of the Property will be subject to the prevailing wage requirements of the California Labor Code. Nevertheless, Developer must assume that prevailing wage requirements will apply and prepare the Pro Forma accordingly. Developer acknowledges that notwithstanding such an assumption prevailing wage requirements may not ultimately apply to the development of the Property.

THE PARTIES have executed this Agreement as of the date first written above. CITY OF LONG BEACH City Managér CITY THE LEE GROUP, INC., a California corporation By: Its: Tax ID #: KENSINGTON HOLDINGS, LLC, a California limited liability company Tax ID #: **DEVELOPER** Approved as to form this 10th day of July ROBERT E. SHANNON, City Attorney of the City of Long Beach RFA:abc; 06/01/06; #06-01983 L:\APPS\CtyLaw32\WPDOCS\D021\P004\00088528.WPD 

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