RESOLUTION TO SELECT DEVELOPER/PLANNER FOR NJIT GATEWAY PLAN

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide an appropriate site for a Greek Village; and

WHEREAS, the area along M.L. King Boulevard, including that currently providing Greek Housing, presents an opportunity for redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, there was developed a concept document, the NJIT Gateway Plan; and

WHEREAS, the plan envisions a Greek Village on campus, improved areas adjacent to campus, and the construction of a parking facility; and

WHEREAS, NJIT has been granted exclusive rights to plan a redevelopment for this area of the City; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to engage a planner/developer to complete the Redevelopment Plan as required by the City; and

WHEREAS, stakeholders in the area including the Greeks, James Street Commons Neighborhood Association and St. Michael’s Hospital have participated in the development of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for a planner/developer; and

WHEREAS, following review of response to said RFQ, four respondents have been identified for further consideration, and the finalists will be identified following a round of interviews; and

WHEREAS, the administration recommends that the President be authorized to engage in the planner/developer identified from the four selected firms with the Board retaining oversight through its Committees’ review; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Plan will be brought to the Board of Trustees for its review and approval prior to its submission to the City.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees:

1. Approves the furtherance of this project by the selection of a developer/planner for the area included in the NJIT Gateway Plan.
2. Authorizes the President to complete an agreement with a firm identified as a result of the review process to develop a Redevelopment Plan and, if the Redevelopment Plans receives appropriate approval from the stakeholders, including the NJIT Board of Trustees and the City, serve as the developer of record for the Gateway Plan.

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