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Program Option:	Flex PACE for Affordable Housing	
Community Participation:	In-Kind Commitment	

**ESCROW AGREEMENT
PACE PROGRAM**

This Escrow Agreement (the "Agreement") is made between the **BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA** acting on behalf of the PACE program ("BND"), **CITY OF MINOT** (the "Community"), and the **BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA** acting through its Trust Department as Escrow Agent (the "Escrow Agent") for the purpose of receiving and disbursing the Interest Buydown Amount in connection with the loan (the "Loan") made to **BLU ON BROADWAY LLC** (the "Borrower") by **FIRST WESTERN BANK & TRUST** (the "Originating Lender") pursuant to a promissory note dated (the "Note").

BND, the Community and the Escrow Agent hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. Defined Terms. Capitalized terms used in this Agreement and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings given to them in the Interest Buydown Agreement. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the following meanings (terms defined in the singular to have the same meaning when used in the plural and vice versa):

Agreement - means this Escrow Agreement, as amended, supplemented, or modified from time to time.

Borrowing Rate - means the interest rate to be paid by the Borrower after subtracting the Interest Buydown Amount from the interest expense which will accrue at the initial Yield Rate over the life of the PACE commitment as set forth on the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A. If the terms of the Note provide for a variable or adjustable rate structure, the Borrowing Rate may vary over the term of the Note depending upon the periodic adjustment of the rate index over the term of the Loan, but in no event will it be less than the minimum rate set forth in the Note.

BND Buydown Amount - means the portion of the Interest Buydown Amount to be paid by BND as set forth on the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A.

Buydown Documents – means this Agreement, the Interest Buydown Agreement, Addendum to Promissory Note PACE Program, and any related documents, attachments or schedules incorporated therein.

Community Buydown Amount - means the portion of the Interest Buydown Amount to be paid by the Community and set forth on the attached payment schedule labeled Exhibit A.

Community In-kind Commitment Amount - means the amount of "in-kind" commitment made by the Community, if any, to match the BND Buydown Amount to be paid by BND as provided by the PACE Program. The "in-kind" Community Commitment Amount is provided by the Community in lieu of its cash portion of the Interest Buydown Amount, and is a contribution towards total costs of the Borrower's project in a form acceptable to BND. The payment schedule labeled Exhibit A specifies the Community Commitment Amount, if any.

Escrow Agent – means Bank of North Dakota acting through its Trust Department.

Escrow Agreement - Agreement by which the payments to retire the Interest Buydown Amount is to be administered by the Escrow Agent.

Flex PACE Program – means the program option within the PACE Program which provides an interest buydown to borrowers that do not meet the states definition of a primary sector business but does meet other needs as determined appropriate by the Community.

Flex PACE Affordable Housing Program – means the program option within the PACE Program which provides an interest buydown to borrowers for the permanent financing of affordable multi-family housing units within the Community.

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Interest Buydown Amount – means the actual amount to be paid by the Escrow Agent on behalf of the Borrower over the life of the Note to buy down the Yield Rate to the Borrowing Rate as set forth in the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A.

The Interest Buydown Amount includes the BND Buydown Amount and the Community Buydown Amount unless all or any portion of the Community's cash portion is made in the form of an "in-kind" Community Commitment Amount, then the Interest Buydown Amount may only consist of the BND Buydown Amount. The Interest Buydown Amount shall not exceed the Interest Buydown Amount per the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A.

The Interest Buydown Amount has been based upon the Yield Rate at the time of closing, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by Originating Lender, BND, and the Borrower. The Interest Buydown Amount shall not vary, and subject to the terms and conditions of the PACE Program it shall be paid on the basis of a set stream of payments as defined under the column entitled INTEREST EXPENSE DIFF. DUE TO BUYDOWN as listed on the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A.

Interest Rate Reduction - means each scheduled payment to be paid by Escrow Agent from Escrow Account as set forth in the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A.

PACE Program – means the "Partnership in Assisting Community Expansion Program" and includes loans approved under PACE Program options for PACE, Flex PACE or Flex PACE for Affordable Housing.

Payment Schedule - means Exhibit A which may be updated and supplemented from time to time by BND.

Yield Rate - means the interest rate on the Note which, at any point in time when there is a default, may include the default rate as that term is defined in the Note.

Section 2. Receipt of Interest Buydown. BND and the Community agree to deliver to the Escrow Agent the amount as set out and described in the payment schedule –labeled Exhibit A in the amounts and on the dates indicated, subject to this Agreement.

Section 3. Disbursement of the Interest Buydown Amount. The Escrow Agent agrees to disburse the Interest Buydown Amount to Originating Lender in the amounts and on the dates as set out and described in the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A, subject to this Agreement.

Section 4. Notice from BND. Upon notice of receipt of Loan payment according to the terms of the Note, notice from BND, the Escrow Agent shall disburse the Interest Buydown Amount to the Originating Lender in the amounts as set out in the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A. If on the date the Loan payment is received by BND, the Escrow Agent has not received all or any part of the Community's share of the Interest Buydown Amount as indicated on the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A, the Escrow Agent shall not disburse either the BND Buydown Amount or and the Community Buydown Amount, to the Originating Lender.

In the event that all parties to this Agreement have consented that the Community will provide a Community In-Kind Commitment Amount in lieu of all or some part of its cash portion of the Interest Buydown Amount, the Escrow Agent shall disburse the Interest Buydown Amount to the Originating Lender in the amounts as set out in the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A.

Section 5. Notice of Suspension of Disbursement of Interest Buydown Amount. Upon notice by BND to the Escrow Agent that payments of the Interest Buydown Amount are to be suspended, the Escrow Agent will not make any further disbursements of the Interest Buydown Amount to the Originating Lender, until the Escrow Agent receives notice from BND, directing the Escrow Agent to resume disbursing the Interest Buydown Amount upon receipt of a notice for payment.

Section 6. Notice of Final Disbursal and Termination. Upon final Interest Rate Reduction disbursement or termination of the Interest Buydown Agreement, the Escrow Agent will disburse any remaining amounts held under this Agreement to the Community and the PACE Fund according to their respective shares of the remaining balance. This Agreement will be considered terminated upon return of funds or final Interest Rate Reduction

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disbursement and shall have no further duties or obligations to any party other than, upon request, to provide a final accounting of receipts and disbursements.

Section 7. Duties of Escrow Agent, Reliance on Notices. The Escrow Agent shall not be liable as Escrow Agent except for the performance of such duties as are specifically set out in this Agreement to be performed by the Escrow Agent and the Escrow Agent may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements expressed in any notice, in the absence of bad faith on the part of the Escrow Agent, upon notices conforming to the requirements of this Agreement. No provision of this Agreement shall be construed to relieve the Escrow Agent from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that the Escrow Agent shall at all times be protected from liability for any error or judgment made in good faith by a responsible officer or officers unless it shall be proved that the Escrow Agent was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts and the Escrow Agent shall at all times be protected with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith and in accordance with the directions contained in a notice received by the Escrow Agent pursuant to this Agreement. The Escrow Agent shall also be protected when acting in good faith and upon advice of its counsel.

Section 8. Fees and Costs. The Escrow Agent shall be entitled to receive fees, in such amounts as it may establish from time to time, and to be reimbursed for its costs, including attorney's fees, for the performance of its duties under this Agreement.

Section 9. Notice. All notices, demands and requests to be given or made under this Agreement, if in writing, shall be properly made if sent by United States mail, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows:

Community:	CITY OF MINOT PO BOX 5006 MINOT, ND 58702-5006
BND:	BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA, Agent PO BOX 5509 BISMARCK, ND 58506-5509 Attention: Financial Institutions Market
Escrow Agent:	BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA, Escrow Agent PO BOX 5509 BISMARCK, ND 58506-5509 Attention: Trust Department
Lender:	FIRST WESTERN BANK & TRUST PO BOX 1090 MINOT ND 58702-1090

Any of the above parties may change the address listed for it at any time upon written notice of such change sent by United States mail, postage prepaid, to each of the other parties.

Section 10. Amendments. No amendment, modification, termination, or waiver of any provision, nor consent to any departure from this Agreement shall in any event be effective unless in writing and signed by all parties and then such waiver, consent or amendment shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the specific purpose for which given.

Section 11. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of North Dakota.

Section 12. Severability of Provisions. Any provision of this Agreement which is prohibited or unenforceable by law shall be deemed severable to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating the remaining provisions of this Agreement.

Section 13. Headings. Article and Section headings in this Agreement are for the convenience of

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reference only and shall not constitute a part of this Agreement for any other purpose.

Section 14. No Waiver; Remedies. No failure on the part of the Escrow Agent to exercise, and no delay in exercising, any right, power, or remedy under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right under this Agreement preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right. The remedies provided in this Agreement are cumulative and are not exclusive of any remedies provided by law.

Section 15. Document Imaging and Electronic Transactions. All parties hereby acknowledge the receipt of a copy of this Agreement and all other loan documents. BND may, on behalf of parties, create a microfilm or optical disk or other electronic image of this Agreement and any or all of the loan documents. BND may store the electronic image of this Agreement and loan documents in its electronic form and then destroy the paper original as part of BND's normal business practices, with the electronic image deemed to be an original.

Each person signing this Agreement represents and warrants that he or she is duly authorized and has legal capacity to execute and deliver this Agreement. Each party represents and warrants to the other that the execution and delivery of the Agreement and the performance of such party's obligation hereunder have been duly authorized and that the Agreement is a valid and legal agreement binding on such party and enforceable in accordance with its terms.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective officers duly authorized, as of the date first above written.

BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA, BND

CITY OF MINOT



Kim R Kautzman
Title: Business Banker

Title: _____

BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA, Escrow Agent



Title: ESCROW OFFICER

Please select Community's preferred billing option:

- One-Time Payment (PV)
- Annually
- Semi-Annually
- Quarterly
- Monthly

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COMMUNITY PACE INTEREST BUYDOWN AUTHORIZATION

The **CITY OF MINOT** (the Community) has approved its participation in the PACE Program for a loan to **BLU ON BROADWAY LLC** (the Borrower) and has made the necessary provisions to match the BND Buydown Amount to be paid by Bank of North Dakota (BND) as required by the program.

The total PACE benefit to the Borrower and the breakdown to the Community and BND are detailed in the payment schedule labeled Exhibit A.

The Borrower's rate will be bought down approximately **2.77%** below the Yield Rate as defined in the Escrow Agreement PACE Program at the time of closing of the Loan to the Borrower, unless otherwise agreed to in writing.

The Community Authorized Representative signing this Authorization represents and warrants that he or she is duly authorized and has legal capacity to execute and deliver this Authorization and that this Authorization is a valid, legal and binding on the Community and enforceable in accordance with its terms of this Authorization.

The Community shall provide an Opinion of Counsel in a form satisfactory to BND verifying the Community has taken appropriate action and has authority for its participation in the PACE Program.

Community Authorized Representative

(Please type or print name above)

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Addendum to Business Incentive Agreement

May 15, 2020

CITY OF MINOT
 PO BOX 5006
 MINOT, ND 58702-5006

A requirement of the Flex-PACE for Affordable Housing Program is to obtain verification from a local housing authority or local government entity that the rental rates being charged by the borrower below are current market rates. This is to be done upon the time of application and on the anniversary date of the loan closing.

Please complete the remainder of this form for verification purposes:

Borrower Name: **BLU ON BROADWAY LLC**
 Community: **CITY OF MINOT**

Do you consider the rents being proposed by the borrower affordable? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Bank of North Dakota may require further verification upon request.

To the best of my knowledge the information I have provided is correct and that the borrower rental rates are considered affordable for the purpose of the Flex-PACE program.

 Local Housing Authority/JDA Contact


 BLU ON BROADWAY LLC

 Date

 Date

Thank you for completing this agreement and please contact BND if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kim R Kautzman
 Business Banker