

THE CITY OF PEEKSKILL LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
INVESTMENT POLICY

I. INVESTMENT AND DEPOSIT POLICY

A. Introduction

1. Scope – This investment and deposit policy applies to all monies and other financial resources available for investment and deposit on its own behalf or on behalf of any other entity or individual.
2. Objectives – The primary objectives of the Corporation's government's investment activities are, in priority order:
 - a. to conform with all applicable federal, state and other legal requirements (legal);
 - b. to adequately safeguard principal (safety);
 - c. to provide sufficient liquidity to meet all operating requirements (liquidity); and
 - d. to obtain a reasonable rate of return (yield).
3. Prudence – All participants in the investment process and all participants responsible for depositing the Corporation's funds shall seek to act responsibly as custodians of the public trust and shall avoid any transaction that might impair confidence in the Corporation to govern effectively.

Investments and deposits shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the safety of the principal as well as the probable income to be derived.

All participants involved in the investment process and all participants responsible for depositing the Corporation's funds shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with proper execution of the investment program or the deposit of the Corporation's funds or which could impair their ability to make impartial investment decisions.

4. Diversification – It is the policy of the Corporation to diversify its deposits and investments by financial institution, by investment instrument, and by maturity scheduling.

5. Internal Controls

- a. All money's collected by an officer or employee of the Corporation shall be immediately deposited in such depositories and designated by the Agency for the receipt of such funds.
- b. The Corporation shall maintain or cause to be maintained a proper record of all book, notes, securities or other evidences of indebtedness held by the Corporation for investment and deposit purposes.
- c. The Corporation is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that deposits and investments are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly, and are managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

B. Investment Policy

1. Permitted Investments

Pursuant to Section 512 of the Not-For-profit Corporation Law, the corporation may:

- (1) invest and reinvest an institutional fund, in the name of the corporation or in the name of a nominee of the corporation, in any real or personal property deemed advisable by the governing board, whether or not it produces a current return, including mortgages, stocks, bonds, debentures, and other securities of profit or not-for-profit corporations, shares in or obligations of associations, partnerships, or individuals, and obligations of any government or subdivision or instrumentality thereof;
- (2) retain property contributed by a donor to an institutional fund for as long as the governing board deems advisable, taking into account any request by the donor to do so;
- (3) include all or any part of an institutional fund in any pooled or common fund available for investment which is maintained by the corporation; and

(4) invest all or any part of an institutional fund in any other pooled or common fund available for investment, including shares or interests in regulated investment companies, mutual funds, common trust funds, investment partnerships, real estate investment trusts, or similar organizations in which funds are commingled and investment determinations are made by persons other than the governing board.