#### APPROVED MINUTES

#### THREE HUNDREDTH MEETING

of the

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

of the

#### MASSACHUSETTS TECHNOLOGY PARK CORPORATION

September 3, 2025 By Videoconference

The Three Hundredth Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation ("Mass Tech Collaborative" or "Mass Tech") was held on September 3, 2025, via videoconference pursuant to notice duly given to the Directors and publicly posted on the Mass Tech Collaborative website with corresponding notice provided to the Office of the Secretary of State and the Executive Office for Administration and Finance.

The following members of the Mass Tech Collaborative Executive Committee were present and participated remotely: Emily MacCormack, Senior Advisor for the Executive Office of Economic Development (representing Secretary of Economic Development Eric Paley), Joe Dorant, Paige Fetzer-Borelli, Pam Reeve, and Bogdan Vernescu.

The following members of the Mass Tech Collaborative staff were present: Carolyn Kirk, Lily Fitzgerald, Jody Jones, Marc Leonetti, Ben Linville-Engler, Holly Lucas Murphy, Sabrina Mansur, Dana Nolfe, John Petrozelli, Jennifer Saubermann, Brianna Wehrs, Rachael Stachowiak, Mary Creamer, John Wetzel, Kevin O'Brien, Zhuqing Wang, Josh Eichen, and Paula Foley.

Also present was Steve Baker, Director of Broadband and Digital Equity for the Executive Office of Economic Development.

Ms. MacCormack observed the presence of a quorum and called the meeting of the Mass Tech Executive Committee to order at 3:33 p.m.

### Agenda Item I Approval of Minutes (motion item)

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously and without abstention voted by a roll call vote:

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation, acting on behalf of the full Board pursuant to section three of Chapter Forty J of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, hereby adopts the Draft Minutes of the Two Hundred Ninety-Eight Meeting of the Executive Committee, held on July 23, 2025, by videoconference, as the

formal Minutes thereof, and the Draft Minutes of the Two Hundred Ninety-Ninth Meeting of the Executive Committee, held on August 27, 2025, by videoconference, as the formal Minutes thereof.

#### Agenda Item II Report of the Mass Tech Collaborative Board Chair

Ms. MacCormack reported that Mr. Eric Paley, the new Secretary of Economic Development, started this week, and he has plans to attend an upcoming Mass Tech Executive Committee meeting to learn firsthand about Mass Tech's strategy and vision. Before turning the meeting over to Ms. Kirk, Ms. MacCormack indicated that today's meeting was on a very tight timeline.

## Agenda Item III Report of the Mass Tech Collaborative Chief Executive Officer

In her report, Ms. Kirk provided an explanation of the technical difficulties experienced during last week's Executive Committee meeting and the decision to terminate the meeting when it became apparent that participation by some Board members and the public was affected. Ms. Kirk explained that thirty (30) people were able to remotely access the Teams platform for last week's meeting without a problem, however six (6) people – a combination of Board members and members of the public – were unable to access the Teams platform and received error messages. Ms. Kirk explained that when the Executive Committee was notified of the technical issues, it ceased discussions and agreed to terminate the meeting and reschedule it to allow for full participation. Mass Tech's IT Department is continuing to investigate the issue, explained Ms. Kirk, and has opened a ticket with Microsoft for assistance. Ms. Kirk indicated that until the issue is resolved, remote meetings would be held on the Zoom platform, rather than Teams. Ms. Kirk then noted that because the Executive Committee has had the agenda materials for quite some time, and because the time available for today's meeting was very limited, the format of the meeting would consist of responding to Executive Committee questions on each agenda item and foregoing the usual detailed staff presentations.

#### Agenda Item IV Update: Revisions to the FY26 Mass Tech Collaborative Budget

Ms. Kirk then turned to a series of slides summarizing the changes to the Mass Tech FY26 budget from the version approved by the Executive Committee in June 2025. Ms. Kirk noted that as per the motion adopted to approve the FY26 budget, the Board is required to be notified of material budget changes only. Hearing no questions from the Executive Committee, Ms. MacCormack turned to the next agenda item.

Ms. Pam Reeve joined the meeting at 3:38 p.m.

# Agenda Item V Center for Advanced Manufacturing – MA Manufacturing Innovation Initiative – Eden GeoPower with partner MIT (motion item)

Deputy Director Mr. Ben Linville-Engler then offered to field any questions from the Executive Committee regarding the Center for Advanced Manufacturing's ("CAM") MA Manufacturing Innovation Initiative ("M2I2") agenda item. There being no questions, Mr. Linville-Engler took the opportunity to introduce to the Executive Committee Ms. Zhuqing Wang who will be taking over responsibility for managing CAM's M2I2 program going forward.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously and without abstention voted by a roll call vote:

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation ("Mass Tech Collaborative"), acting pursuant to the authority delegated under Chapter 40J of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, does hereby authorize a grant award to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in an amount not to exceed \$616,300 to support Eden GeoPower as it builds prototypes for next-generation downhole tools and pulsed power devices for extracting natural subsurface resources from the ground. The award shall be funded through the Massachusetts Manufacturing Innovation Initiative ("M2I2"), funded from item 7002-8059 of Chapter 238 of the Acts of 2024. The grant award is subject to the execution of a grant agreement in a form and with terms approved by Mass Tech Collaborative's Chief Executive Officer.

# Agenda Item VI MassBroadband Institute – Residential Retrofit Program - Comcast Cable Communications Management (motion item)

Next, Ms. Jody Jones, Program Executive for the Mass Broadband Institute ("MBI"), explained that the next three (3) agenda items were MBI initiatives under the Residential Retrofit, RANGE, and Connected & Online Programs, all of which were federally funded under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) through the Capital Projects Fund. Ms. Jones then turned the floor over to MBI Program Director Mr. Josh Eichen to answer questions from the Executive Committee on any of the three (3) items. Hearing no questions, Ms. MacCormack called for a motion to approve the first of three (3) MBI agenda items.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously and without abstention voted by a roll call vote:

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation ("Mass Tech Collaborative"), acting pursuant to the authority delegated under Chapter 40J of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, does hereby authorize a grant award to Comcast Cable Communications Management in an amount not to exceed \$5,701,100 to support capital costs associated with upgrading broadband infrastructure in public and affordable housing buildings, including the installation of fiberoptic or Cat6 cabling to the housing unit.

Mass Tech Collaborative's Chief Executive Officer is hereby authorized to increase the grant award amount based upon additional costs incurred due to unforeseen issues associated with the broadband construction and installation activities described above. The grant is awarded under the Residential Retrofit Program, RFP No. 2025-MBI-08, and shall be funded through the American Rescue Plan Act, Capital Projects Fund through a contract with the Executive Office of Economic Development. The grant award is subject to the execution of a grant agreement in a form and with terms approved by Mass Tech

#### Collaborative's Chief Executive Officer.

## Agenda Item VII MassBroadband Institute - Residential Retrofit Ancillary Grant Program ("RANGE") - Boston Housing Authority (motion item)

Ms. MacCormack then asked the Executive Committee if there were any questions related to the RANGE agenda item. Hearing none, upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously and without abstention voted by a roll call vote:

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation ("Mass Tech Collaborative"), acting pursuant to the authority delegated under Chapter 40J of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, does hereby authorize a grant award to the Boston Housing Authority in an amount not to exceed \$1,582,342.85, to support costs associated with eligible activities applied for under the Residential Retrofit - Retrofit Ancillary Grantee (RANGE) Program (Solicitation No. 2025-MBI-12), as presented.

The grant shall be funded through the American Rescue Plan Act, Capital Projects Fund through a contract with the Executive Office of Economic Development. The grant award is subject to the execution of a grant agreement in a form and with terms approved by Mass Tech Collaborative's Chief Executive Officer.

# Agenda Item VIII MassBroadband Institute - Capital Projects Fund Connected & Online Program - Vendor Mini Bid for Digital Access Equipment: Dell Marketing LP (motion item)

For the final MBI agenda item, there being no questions, upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously and without abstention voted by a roll call vote:

The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Massachusetts Technology Park Corporation ("Mass Tech Collaborative"), acting pursuant to the authority delegated under Chapter 40J of the General Laws of the Commonwealth, does hereby authorize an award not to exceed \$28,500,000 to Dell Marketing LP to purchase digital access equipment for the Connected & Online Program, as presented.

The funds are awarded under the Connected & Online Vendor Mini-Bid (No. 2026-MBI-01), and shall be funded through the American Rescue Plan Act, Capital Projects Fund through a contract with the Executive Office of Economic Development. This award is subject to final approval of the Connected & Online Program by the United States Department of the Treasury and the execution of an agreement in a form and with terms approved by Mass Tech Collaborative's Chief Executive Officer.

Having determined that there was no other business to discuss, Ms. MacCormack adjourned the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

A TRUE COPY ATTEST: (Secretary)

DATE:

#### **Materials and Exhibits Used at this Meeting:**

- 1. Draft Minutes for the July 23, 2025, Mass Tech Collaborative Executive Committee Meeting (motion item)
- 2. Draft Minutes for the August 27, 2025, Mass Tech Collaborative Executive Committee Meeting (motion item)
- 2. Update: Revisions to the FY26 MassTech Collaborative Budget (presentation)
- 3. Center for Advanced Manufacturing MA Manufacturing Innovation Initiative Eden GeoPower with partner MIT (motion item)
- 4. MassBroadband Institute Residential Retrofit Grant Program Comcast Cable Communications Management (motion item)
- 5. MassBroadband Institute Residential Retrofit Ancillary Grant Program ("RANGE") Boston Housing Authority (motion item)
- 6. MassBroadband Institute Capital Projects Fund Connected & Online Program Vendor Mini Bid for Digital Access Equipment: Dell Marketing LP (motion item)