# EB5 – ICC Hilton Canopy Hotel Thresher Square INVESTOR INFORMATION SHEET

## **EB-5 Program Overview**

EB-5 is an employment based Immigrant Investor visa program, created in 1990 by US Congress, providing a method for eligible immigrant investors to become lawful permanent residents (Green Card Holders) by investment and creation of jobs in the USA.

## **Advantages of working with ICC (International Creative Capital)**

ICC completed the first EB-5 project by constructing Hyatt Hotel in St. Paul, MN (providing GC to 33 investors). Project details can be found at: http://www.exetermn.com/custom-house).

ICC started its 2nd project Oct 2017, the Hilton Canopy Hotel - Thresher Square, with 10 Million dollars EB-5 funding (20 EB-Investors). More details can be found at: https://www.hospitalitynet.org/announcement/41002491/canopy-by-hilton-minneapolis-mill-district.html

- 100% success rate of ICC (33 I-526 approvals to date), most successful EB5 Center in whole of MN.
- EB-5 funds are not needed to complete the project, George Sherman has already contributed \$10 Million Bridge Loan towards the above Canopy Hotel. EB-5 funds contribute only 16% of total investment needed.
- All required jobs to meet EB-5 requirements have been created the day construction was completed in Dec 2018. **The hotel opened Feb 2019.**
- Each EB-5 investor is treated as a separate investor, there is NO waiting on investment to be pooled with other EB-5 investors.
- The Thresher Hilton Hotel project, follows the same formulas that created the 100% approval with ZERO RFE's (Request for Evidence by USCIS), of ICC Hyatt hotel, Custom House project, the <u>Same</u> 1st secured Bank, the <u>same</u> type of historical tax credits, the same Developer funded EB-5 bridge loan, the <u>same</u> MN Regional Center, premium brand Hotel, 3rd party study verification, and the <u>same</u> EB-5 attorney processing the applications.

#### Funds Breakdown

Purpose	Funds	Comments
Background check (OFAC and AML*)	\$5,000	50% refunded if investor does not pass these check(s)
Immigration Attorney	\$10,000	This fee is best attorney, could go as high as \$20K to handle difficult cases and may have to go through political connections.
ICC Admin Fee	\$50,000	Admin fee paid to ICC
EB-5 Investment	\$500,000	Due when application is filed (see timeline below)
Source of Funds (SOF)	\$3,000	SOF is a 3 <sup>rd</sup> party fee, and could be as high as 2X, depending on complications of SOF
Translation Service Fee	\$3,500	This fee could be as low as \$500, quote is given before work is started
USCIS Filing Fees	\$5,325	Form I-526; Additional fee of \$445/person for Form DS-260, \$1,225/person for Form I-485
TOTAL	\$576,845	

<sup>\*</sup>OFAC - Office of Foreign Assets, AML - Anti Money Laundering

## **Timeline - Program Investment & GC Process**

EB-5 Green Card Processing Steps	Approx. Timeline
Questionnaire and OFAC & AML Check	3 DAYS
I-526 - Application Process	30-60 DAYS
- USCIS Processing Time	20-27 MONTHS
I-485 Visa Interview	30-60 DAYS
24 Months Conditional Green Card : Allows you to work,	
play, travel at will to USA including multi-entry to home	
country	
I-829 to remove conditions of Green Card	29.5 to 38.5 months

Total Time to Relocate to USA: 24 to 30 Months on Conditional Green Card

## Why the EB-5 Route??

- The current Green Card process for H1 visa holders takes anywhere from 10-15 years. All other categories are either difficult or takes too long to get processed through USCIS.
- The current EB-5 petitioning does not have a backlog, however there is wide speculation that a backlog might be introduced for investors from India starting June 2019. If that happens, processing could get delayed by many years. So, we at ICC urge to start this process immediately if you are interested to immigrate to USA.
- With an initial investment of \$500,000 that would be returned after the approval process is complete, in the meantime, a typical Investor family of four would see a monetary gain about \$325,000\*\* (Parents working in jobs, and children saving in school/college tuition) after arriving in the USA and while waiting for the I-485 approval)

<sup>\*\*</sup>Typical family, varies case by case