

March 1, 2024

Mr. Rob Mattei Community Development Director City of Grand Rapids

Dear Mr. Mattei,

At its regular meeting held on February 25, 2024, the HRA Board of Commissioners discussed and reviewed the HRA's current single-family home construction work and the potential to work with the city and/or the City EDA to acquire additional lots for home construction using the land trust model.

We understand that the EDA is working on a possible acquisition of the former ISD 318 Administration Building and corresponding property. We reviewed the proposed work plan that will include the demolition of the current structure and related work to make the site ready for single-family development and would like to express our interest in partnering with the city on this project. The HRA is very interested in purchasing the 8-lots for the estimated price of \$80,000 from the city for use in our land trust program.

Please note that our ability to act will be dependent on securing the necessary funding from our partners to develop additional single-family homes. We would also need to secure a Phase I Environmental review so if this could be considered when the city is working on this project, that would be very helpful.

If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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