



## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

**AGENDA DATE:** July 10, 2023

**AGENDA ITEM:** Consider approval of a resolution and letter in support of an application by the Itasca County HRA to the Minnesota Housing Finance Administration for the development of eight additional affordable, owner-occupied, single-family homes in Forest Lake Addition.

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### **BACKGROUND:**

The Itasca County HRA, in partnership with KOOTASCA Community Action and One Roof Community housing are requesting the support of the City of Grand Rapids for another application to Minnesota Housing Finance Administration (MHFA) for the development of an additional eight affordable, owner-occupied, single-family homes on the former site of the Forest Lake Elementary School.

GREDA has completed the subdivision of the property as Forest Lake Addition which is comprised of a total of twenty-two single family home lots. The City has contracted for the addition of sanitary sewer and water. This infrastructure, which was funded with allotted ARPA funds and an IRRR grant, is under construction.

Last July, the City Council granted support for an application for the same type and number of units structured as a community land trust. That application to MHFA was awarded in January of this year. This application is for an additional eight more affordable, owner occupied, single-family homes, which, if awarded, would bring the total to sixteen structured as a community land trust.

### **REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION:**

Make a motion to approve a resolution and letter in support of an application by the Itasca County HRA to the Minnesota Housing Finance Administration for the development of eight additional affordable, owner-occupied, single-family homes in Forest Lake Addition.