

## City Council

February 7, 2023 Packet Addendum #1 From: Mark Cathcart
To: City Council

**Subject:** Tuesday, February 7, 2023 - Item 9A - North End Block 11

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Mayor, City Council,

As you consider this application, there are a number of questions you should ask yourselves, or perhaps the applicant.

- 1. Will the applicant be moving Markel/Ridgeline Development companies to the commercial building on this lot? They said they would at the two prior applications. If not now, why not?
- 2. The applicant has requested to subdivide the lot into three separate lots. The applicant didn't apply for the lot to be subdivided in their first three applications for this development, why now and why not when each lot or phase is completed?
- 3. If successful in subdividing the lot, will the council have any control over the order the lots are developed, or even the owners of the individual lots?
- 4. The council previously required the commercial development and infrastructure to be built first. If the commercial lot is sold, does the council have any ability to require the new owner or any other city council conditions to be met?
- 4. The applicant is requesting a fee-in-lieu for the affordable housing component. Is this the best solution that this development can achieve for the city?

Make no mistake, I, and I assume most of the residents of North End Phase II want this lot developed. It has been an eyesore for us and the city for too long, and the applicant has failed to live up to their promises to those of us who bought dirt lots, or custom homes from the applicant's sales team.

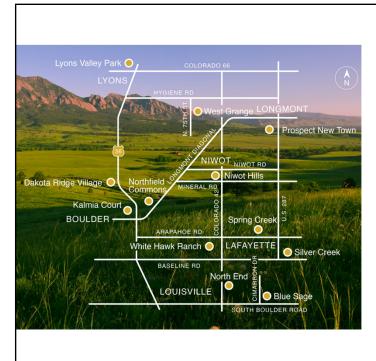
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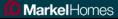
- Family-Owned Since 1973
- · Trust and Customer Service
- Design-driven
- 2021 USGBC Leadership Award for Outstanding Commitment to Advancing Green Building
- Marshall Home Rebuild // working directly with families and individuals affected by the Marshall Fire to rebuild and restore and get them back home as soon as possible.



# DECADES IN THE MAKING

- Began in 2006
- 5 Planning Areas this is the last to be built
- · Envisioned as mixed-use
- 350 total dwelling units final 38 here
- Over 25% of the total land area dedicated to open space
- · Neighborhood-serving commercial
- Sustainable Infill





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#### Affordable Housing Fee In-lieu

City Council to consider whether the proposal will:

- 1. Result in more **affordable housing**, providing more of a benefit to the City
- 2. Practical difficulties prevent inclusion of affordable units on-site
- 3. Better benefit the inhabitants
- 4. Any **other factors** that may be relevant

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#### More Affordable Housing

- 1. Affordable housing can be constructed at a greater volume when an entire project is designed for that purpose
  - Housing authorities and specialized affordable housing developers have better access to subsidies and grants
  - · Special financing opportunities

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#### **Practical Difficulties**

- 2. Timing of previous approvals
  - NE has been entitled and financed for years as market rate, prior to this adoption of this requirement

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#### Benefit to Inhabitants

- 3. Providing affordable units in this development would increase the price of all other units
  - Goal of this project is to provide "attainable" housing, not high-end price points

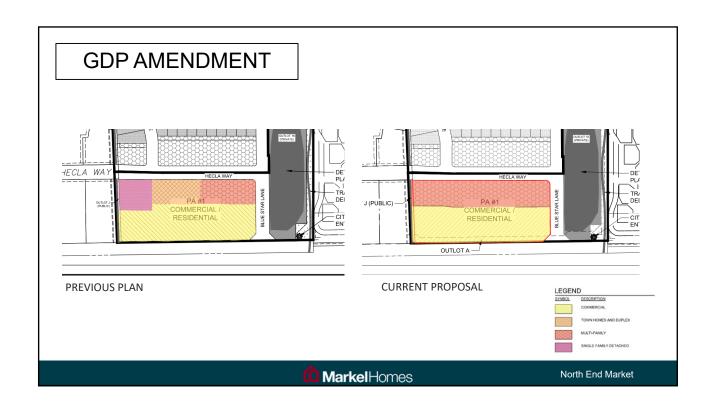
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#### **Other Factors**

- 4. Cost of construction has increased dramatically in the last several years
  - Better economies of scale are available when building an entire project

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## PREVIOUS PUD (2017)



PREVIOUS SITE PLAN

- 38 DWELLING UNITS
- +- 40,000 SF COMMERCIAL



#### **CURRENT PROPOSAL**

- 38 DWELLING UNITS
- +- 40,000 SF COMMERCIAL



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## ARCHITECTURE









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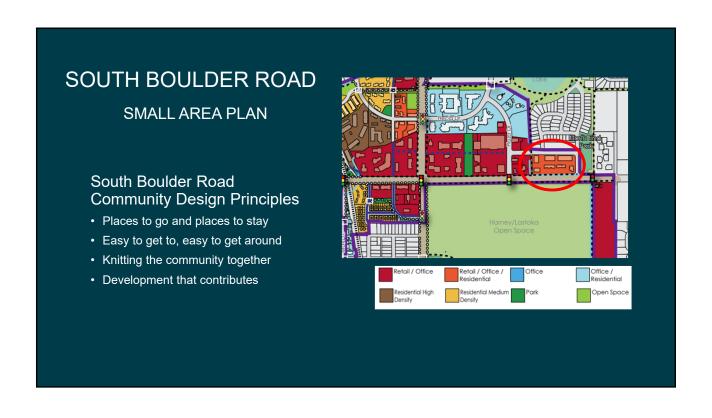
## Planning Commission Feedback

- Unanimous recommendation for approval
- Landscape Modifications for HOA
  - Low water species
  - Maintenance
  - Sustainability

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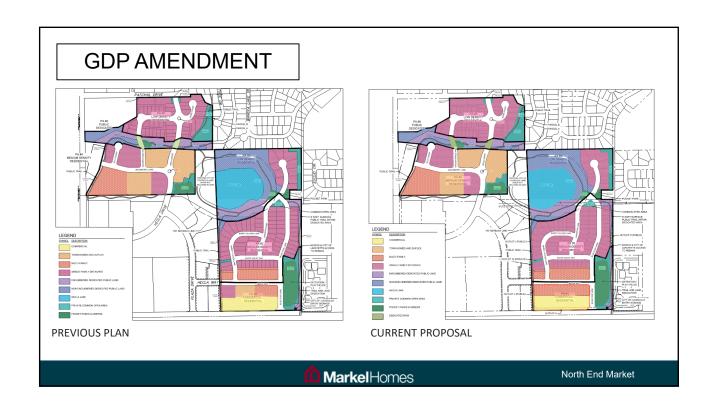


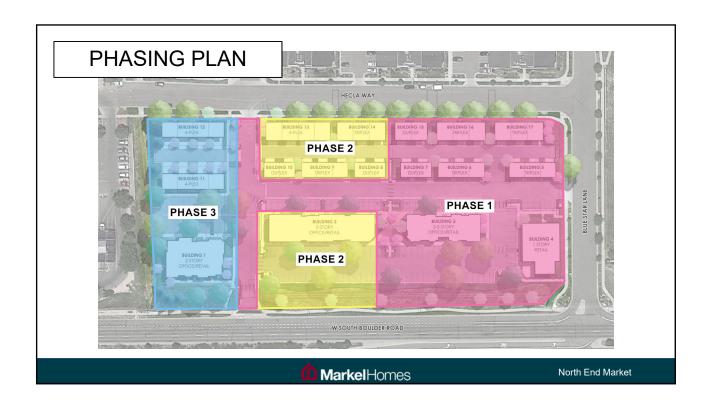


# COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND SMALL AREA PLAN COMPATIBILITY

- Smaller blocks and parcels, alley loaded properties, and multipurpose development as envisioned by the urban pattern area of the comprehensive plan.
- Sidewalks and plazas to enhance pedestrian experience.
- Mix of residential and office/retail to provide services to the community and encourage walkability.

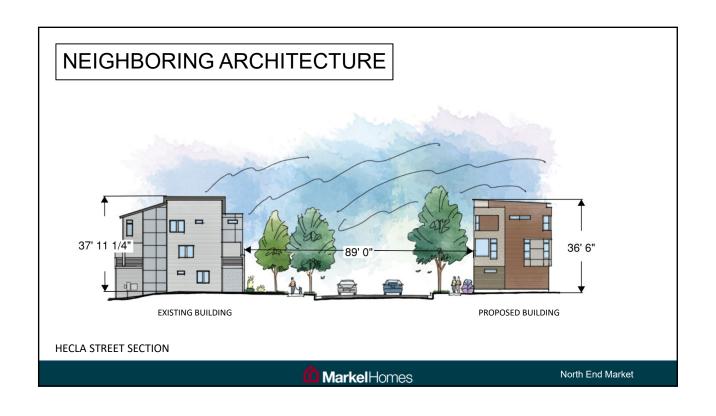








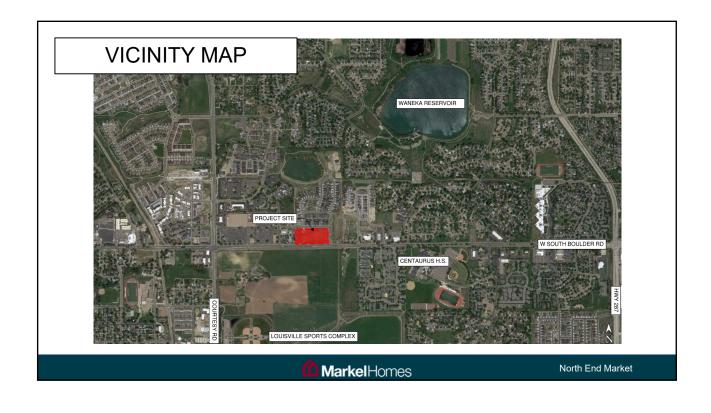












#### **TEAM**

- Markel Homes
- Ripley Design
- MPD Engineering
- McDowell Transportation
- Local Construction Subconsultants



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