



FILE NO. 248-2023

WODA COOPER COMPANIES

East 66th Crossing
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February 9, 2023

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Clerk Patricia J. Britt
Cleveland City Council
601 Lakeside Ave, Room 220
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

RE: East 66th Crossing

Dear Clerk Britt:

The purpose of this letter is to apprise your office that Frontline Development Group, LLC and Woda Cooper Development, Inc. plan to be general partners of a residential rental development located in or within one-half mile radius of your political jurisdiction and will submit an application to utilize the multifamily funding programs of the Ohio Housing Finance Agency (OHFA) for the development of this property.

The proposed East 66th Crossing is highly consistent with OHFA's goal to provide new housing options in areas of Opportunity in close proximity to numerous amenities. Hough has few affordable housing options and continues to be fast-growing, with no way to ensure economic diversity and inclusionary housing practices are maintained so close to job opportunities. E. 66th Crossing proposes a four-story elevator building containing a total of thirty-eight (38) units consisting of nineteen (19) one-bedroom units and nineteen (19) two-bedroom units. The project will also include the construction of seven (7) single-family townhomes on nearby vacant lots containing three (3) bedrooms. This builds new family units in an array of sizes and styles, while preserving economic diversity for households in a variety of income ranges. The project proposes to provide 10% of units as accessible for persons with mobility disabilities and 2% of units as accessible for persons with hearing or visual disabilities which is especially important for people who need mobility-friendly housing. In addition, the proposed development will achieve LEED Silver Certification.

The project will develop crucial family opportunity and workforce housing direly needed so close to center-city jobs and employment as the development will be located along the East 66th Street Corridor. The development is also strategically located in close proximity to numerous amenities including Aldi, Rite Aid, Church Square Pharmacy, Cleveland Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center, Rockefeller Park, Cleveland Public Library Hough Branch, and Citizens Leadership Academy. The property will be mixed-income, featuring both low income, affordable workforce housing (ranging from 30% AMI, up to 80% AMI), and expanding the supply of housing for extremely low-income housing units. The project will be geared toward a variety of residents: young professionals, single-parent households, small-to-large families and even seniors. The combined project will foster services to support families, aging-in-place, and workforce housing concepts. The development also meets numerous goals as outlined in the Connecting Cleveland 2020 Citywide Plan specific to housing by promoting strategic land assembly, incorporating green building techniques in the construction, maximizing housing choices for residents of all incomes, ages, ability levels and social circumstances, and expanding the range of residential opportunities for persons with special housing needs.

The proposed development will be financed with a Conventional First Mortgage, Housing Credit Proceeds, OHFA HDAP, City of Cleveland HOME funds, and Deferred Developer Fee.

Development Team:

Frontline Development Group, LLC
Woda Cooper Development, Inc.
Woda Construction, Inc.
Woda Management & Real Estate, LLC

Project Address: East 66th Street and Lawnview Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44103

Number of Units: 45 units

Program(s) to be utilized
in the Project:

Housing Tax Credit Program, Housing Development Assistance Program, and Housing Development Loan Program.

Right to Submit

Comments:

You have the right to submit comments to OHFA regarding the proposed project's impact on the community. Any objection to the project must be submitted in writing and signed by a majority of the voting members of the legislative body. Comments must be received by OHFA within 30 days of the mailing date of this notice.

The person to be notified at OHFA and their address is:

Mr. David Foust, Director of Multifamily Housing
Ohio Housing Finance Agency
57 E. Main Street
Columbus, OH 43215

OHFA will provide a written response to any objections submitted under the terms outlined above.

Sincerely,



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