

April 4, 2019

Ms. Natalie Erdman
Director
Department of Planning & Community & Economic Development
City of Madison
215 Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
Madison WI 53703

RE: Zoning Change (TR-C3 to TR-V2) – The Cottages At Chapel View

Dear Ms. Erdman,

This Letter of Intent is submitted together with the appropriate application items for Staff, Urban Design Commission, Plan Commission and Common Council consideration for approval of the above-referenced zoning change.

# **Project Team**

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## **Project Overview**

Lots 1 (9910 Peach Leaf Lane) and 45 (624 Burnt Sienna Drive) are currently unimproved but platted lots within the subdivision of Chapel View. Improvements to the Chapel View neighborhood started upon the completion of the City approval process in late 2018 and we anticipate completion of improvements late this spring. The proposal is to convert the zoning of these two lots (1.93 acres and 1.81 acres respectively) from TR-C3 to TR-V2 to accommodate our proposal for the construction of two small-scale pocket communities within the Chapel View neighborhood.

The proposal develops a total of 28 Cottages on the two lots. For your reference, a site layout plan is included. The Cottages are free standing units that will platted and sold as condominiums and should be considered a Residential Building Complex for zoning purposes. Each unit owner is responsible for the maintenance of their particular Cottage, while the condominium association will maintain private driveways and green space, walking paths and other landscaping features.

The project exceeds the total lot area requirements and the useable open space requirements on a per unit basis, but requires a conditional use to allow for the relaxation of yard setback requirements.

# **Lot 1** 1.93 Acres **84,052** Square Feet

# of Cottages	Lot Area Required TR-V1	Open Space Required TR-V1	Total Area Required
<mark>15</mark>	3000 x 15 = 45,000	500 x 15 = 7,500	45,000 + 7,500 = <b>52,500</b>

#### **Lot 45** 1.81 Acres **78,888** Square Feet

# of Cottages	Lot Area Required TR-V1	Open Space Required TR-V1	Total Area Required
13	3000 x 13 = 39,000	500 x 15 = 6,500	45,000 + 7,500 = <b>45,500</b>

The goal in creating and grouping the Cottages in the way that the site is laid out is to intentionally limit vehicular exposure to the "front" yard areas of most Cottages, so as to promote neighbor engagement and enjoyment of shared green space, walking paths, landscaping features and community garden spaces. In

essence, the Cottages will create a neighborhood within a neighborhood, allowing for an additional housing choice for Madison's growing population.

The current waiting list for the Cottages includes all demographic profiles from first time homebuyers to empty nesters, and includes many people experiencing a family status change such as death of a spouse or divorce.

The Cottages are well-designed homes that are smaller footprints (from 1,202 to 1,875 above grade square feet) with full basements that will allow for additional finished square footage at the discretion of the owner. The Cottages are well appointed, energy efficient and include interior finish packages that would be typical of the overall Elderberry Neighborhood community.

Please note that all storm water management requirements for the Cottage lots were accounted for during the development and approval of the Chapel View neighborhood.

According to "The Direct Impact of Housing and Remodeling on the U.S. Economy" by Helen Fei Liu and Paul Emrath (2008), three permanent full time jobs are created when one new single family home is built. This development, then, would contribute a total of 56 permanent full time jobs to our local economy, as well as providing a high-demand housing opportunity.

The development team has a long-standing reputation in Dane County for quality product and development expertise, and has worked extensively in this area of Madison since 2008. We look forward to continuing our work with the City to achieve approval.

We anticipate a construction start date of June, 2019 with substantial completion by summer of 2020. It is expected that the first Cottages will be owner-occupied by the end of this calendar year.

Respectfully submitted,

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