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COUNCIL APPROVES INNOVATIVE NEW HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

Project Combines Single Family Homes with Residential Community for Special Needs' Adults

PLEASANTON, Calif. — The Pleasanton City Council voted tonight to approve a new housing development near downtown that will provide 87 single-family homes and set aside more than 1.5 acres for the development of Sunflower Hill, an affordable multi-family residential community for adults with special needs.

Tonight's unanimous vote came after years of planning, several revisions and much deliberation on the proposal. Representing a unique partnership between the City, Sunflower Hill and the developer, the plan was determined to be in accordance with the city's Housing Element and other guiding plans.

"This project has gone through several iterations and it offers an amenity-rich environment with new public open space, a new streetscape and enhancements to the Arroyo. It also satisfies an unmet need by creating affordable housing opportunities for special needs' adults," said Director of Community Development, Gerry Beaudin.

The land comprises roughly 15 acres over three parcels, with the developer providing 1.64 acres to the city for the future development of Sunflower Hill, an affordable multi-housing residential community for adults with special needs.

The proposal was deliberated at both the Housing and Planning Commissions prior to reaching the City Council. The Planning Commission held a number of hearings on the proposal and made recommendations to the City Council based on public input. These recommendations were reflected in the City Council actions, and included increasing the available open space, reducing the number of houses from 115 to 87, preserving and relocating the historic structure to a more prominent location on the property.

The project developer is donating not only the land but also an additional \$1 million to be set aside for in the city's affordable housing fund for Sunflower Hill.

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