

John Harrington, President of Council

Findlay City Council Committee of the Whole Meeting Date: August 9, 2023

Committee Members:	Staff:
John Harrington, President of Council	☐ Christina Muryn, Mayor
Brian Bauman, Ward 5	Donald Rasmussen, Law Director
☐ Holly Frische, Ward 1  Randy Greeno, At-Large	Rob Martin, Service-Safety Director
Randy Greeno, At-Large	Jeremy Kalb, City Engineer
Dennis Hellmann, Ward 2	Jim Staschiak, City Auditor
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Josh Palmer, Ward 7	DACKUN HONTWAN
Grant Russel, At-Large	CHIEF MATHIAS (CAMETA ONLY)  SUT WALTETS (CAMETA ONLY)
Jim Slough, Ward 4	SUT (THE COMMENT ONLY)
Beth Warnecke, Ward 3	CHMETA OHLY)
Jeff Wobser, At-Large	,
Meeting Start Time: 5.00 PW	Guests: MATT CORDONNETZ
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Meeting End Time: 6:43	(18) PUBLIC ATTENDEES HARTAT (D CAME
	SCOTT RHODES - HABITAT BOARD PRESIDE
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Roll Call ✓	
Approval of Minutes V NA	
New Items	
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#### COMMITTEE REPORT

#### THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FINDLAY. OHIO

A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE meeting was held on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 to

discuss the Carlin property (Habitat for Humanity).

ROB MARTIN INTRODUCED WENDY MCLORANCK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HABITAT FOR HUMANITY. A POWET POINT PRESENTATION DESCRIBING HABITATS DESITE TO TRANSFER (2) PARCELS LOCATED ON CARLY ST. TO THE BLANCHARD VAILEY PORT ANTHORITY FROM THE CITY OF FINDLAW.

AFTER TRANSFER TO THEEVERY IT WOULD THEN BE TRANSFERED TO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY. THE POWER FOINT WAS INTRODUCED BY SCOTT RHODES, BOARD PRESIDENT. (2) HANDOUTS WERE INCLUDED

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#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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HARRINGTON, STASCHIAK, RASMUSSEN, MARTIN, KALB, CORDONNIEZ, ESSEX, HOHMAN, MATHIAS, WALTERS
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### FLAG CITY

June 15, 2023

Habitat for Humanity of Findlay/Hancock County Wendy McCormick, Executive Director 1200 Commerce Pkwy. Findlay, OH 45840

Dear Wendy:

This letter is to convey my heartfelt support and enthusiasm for the Hope Springs development proposed for this community.

It is no secret that Findlay and Hancock County have a shortage of needed housing for consumers at most price points. While this is not isolated to our local real estate market, it is known that we have such a large percentage of the workforce who commutes into the area each day. It behooves us, as part of a long-term growth strategy, to give every opportunity to our workforce to plant deep roots in the community. When the workforce is rooted in a community, the community bears fruit.

Habitat is well-known for providing quality housing opportunities to consumers who are well-vetted, and these persons actively engage in a lengthy process to change the way they think about finances. The Financial Opportunity Center (FOC) at our local Habitat chapter is changing lives, and what better way to prepare one for financial success than to own real estate. Additionally, the tangible benefit is cause for celebration when a Findlay neighborhood can gain qualified buyers who have invested their blood, sweat, and tears into learning how to manage money, and in owning their own home.

New construction will raise the value of nearby comparable properties through the appraisal principle of progression. Quite simply, progression is where the aesthetics and appeal of a new property increases the values of the existing homes.

I am proud to support the efforts of Habitat for Humanity, and I stand with you in the creation of what will be a fantastic addition to the City of Findlay.

Sincerely.

Brian J. Whitta, CRB, CRS Principal Broker / President

#### Doug Finney Key Realty 1601 Tiffin Ave. Findlay, OH 45840



Findlay City Council City of Findlay Municipal Building 318 Dorney Plaza Findlay, OH 45840

August 7, 2023

To whom it may concern,

I had the privilege of meeting with Wendy McCormick, the Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity of Findlay/Hancock County about their plans for the development of a pocket neighborhood, Hope Springs. Habitat for Humanity has a great history in helping to secure housing for underhoused, moderate-income members of our community. Their previous work in West Park has been a key part of the revitalization of that neighborhood. This proposed project would be a great step in furthering Habitat's benefit to the area.

When I met with Wendy, she asked my opinion on how adding 68 moderately priced homes over several years might affect the larger community. With the great shortage of inventory in all portions of the local real estate market. I believe that adding a few homes each year would serve not only to improve the local housing shortage, but also enhance the local housing market. As each Habitat home is occupied, the new homeowner's previous home becomes available for other homebuyers or renters in the community.

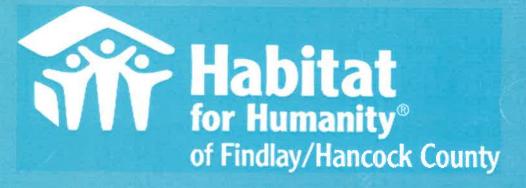
With a project such as this, combining community participation and homeowner involvement, the pride of homeownership would improve in the immediate area and have a beneficial impact on the community at large

I would greatly like to offer my support for Hope Springs, and as a community member, look forward to partnering with Habitat for Humanity to see this dream realized.

Sincerely,

Douglas H Finney
Principal Broker

Key Realty



# **Hope Springs**

A Habitat Community Development

Presented to Findlay City Council August 9, 2023





### **Our Vision**

A world where everyone has a decent place to live



#### **OUR MISSION:**





We BUILD Community Shelter. Strength. Stability.

# **Project Request**

- City of Findlay transfers
   public property via the
   Blanchard Valley Port
   Authority to Habitat Findlay
- Two parcels
  - 20.45 acres & 5.72 acres

Parcel ID 210001029225 Map Number 101026218002000

Property Address CARLIN ST

FINDLAY OH 45840

Brief Tax Description T1N R10 S26 PT NW1/4 NW1/4

Parcel ID 61000051400 Map Number 101026218003000

Property Address CARLIN ST

FINDLAY OH 45840

Brief Tax Description T1N R10 S26 S PT W1/2 NW1/4 E1-75





### Return on Investment



Currently \$4,800 farm rental annually

Assuming a 3% annual increase, will generate \$129,000 in 20 years



Currently \$2,100 property tax on each Habitat Home

With 68 homes in 10 years, with the same 3% increase, will generate \$3.2 million in 20 years

2023 Investment \$150,000



4-Year Income \$148,000



20-Year Income \$3.2 million



# **Our Community Need**

- \$15/hr = affordability of \$780/mo
- Average 1 bedroom rental = \$850
   Average 2 bedroom rental is \$950 = Cost Burden
- 8,000 people are choosing daily between paying for housing, food, utilities, and medical expenses
- 250 housing unit deficit for families making below \$35,000



### **Our Track Record**

- 55 homes built since 2000
- No foreclosures
- 97% homeowners are current
- No HUD or Section 8 housing
- Families maintain their homes to build equity
- Families break the cycle of generational poverty
- Continual education and support





# **Our Partner Families**





### **Our Partner Families**

- Are hard working ... typical jobs include manufacturing, distribution centers, STNAs, service industry ... earning ~\$17/hour
- 70% are single parents, of which 25% have married since moving into their homes
- Are resilient .. persevered to overcome challenges such as poor credit, debt, medical debt, and low wages
- Work on average an additional 8 'sweat equity' hours per week to fulfill their Habitat responsibilities



# Partner Family Requirements

- Income must be between \$26,850 \$53,700 (family of 4)
- Cannot qualify for a conventional loan
- Current shelter is not safe, healthy, and/or affordable.
- Signs and demonstrates the ability to pay a 30-year low-interest mortgage
- Average time in the program:
  - 18 months pre-homeownership
  - 12 months with advocates after closing
  - Partners with Habitat for the duration of the mortgage
- Learns budget/homeownership skills from Financial Opportunity Center coaches
- Completes 400 600 Hours of "Sweat Equity"
- Invests \$500 toward their purchase
- Cannot "flip" the home for 10 years, home equity is protected



# It's All About the Children....

- Children of homeowners:
  - are more likely to graduate high school
- #40
- are less likely to have children by age 18
- have improved test scores and reduced behavioral problems
- A lack of stable housing is associated with stunted growth and other illness



## **Our Standard Home**

- 1100 Square Feet
  - 3 bedroom
  - 1 bath
  - attached garage
- Energy efficient
- Low maintenance
- Built to age in place





### **Introducing HOPE SPRINGS!**

- 10-year build out
- 68 homes for Habitat families and entrylevel market-rate buyers
- 26-acre development designed to encourage interaction in a diverse, closely-knit community, creating what research shows are economic, social, and educational benefits for the region
- Located in Findlay West Park
- Zoning: single family, southern parcel is R3, northern parcel is R1 (will need rezoned to R3)







### Development Model Pocket Neighborhood

Clustered groups of neighboring houses gathered around a shared open space - a garden courtyard, playground, water feature, a pedestrian street, a series of joined backyards, etc. - all of which have a clear sense of territory and shared stewardship and community





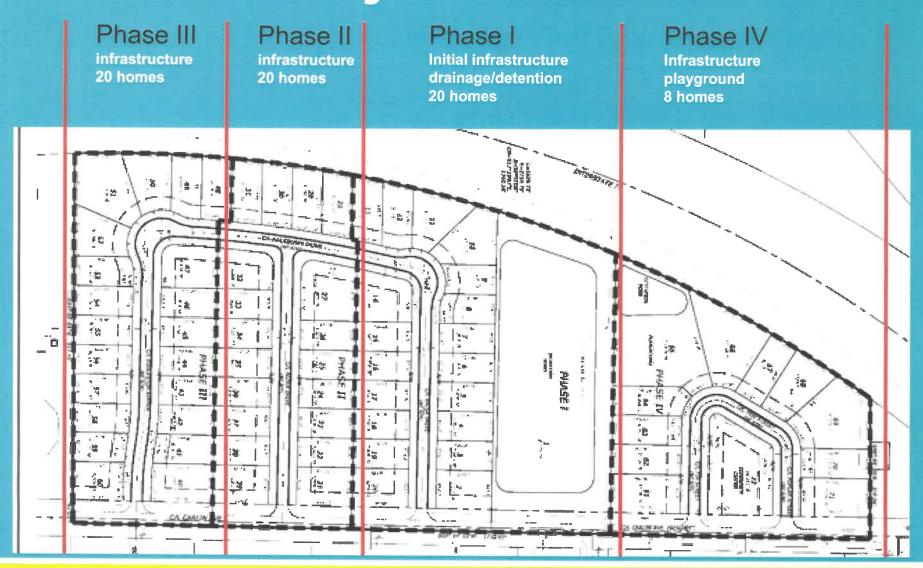
### **Project Area**

#### Current Habitat Homes & West Park Playground





# 10-Year Project Plan





# Site Development

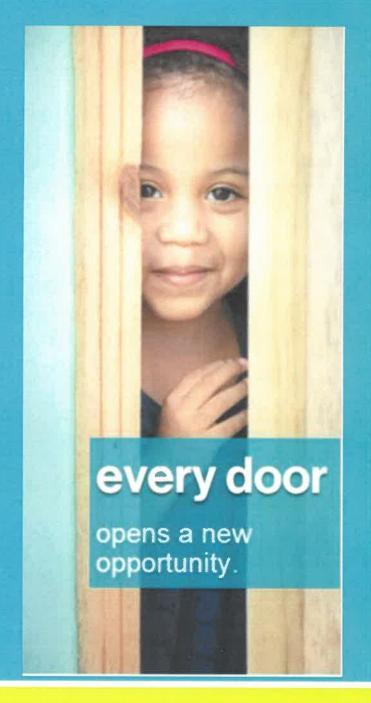
- Land acquisition \$1
- Site infrastructure \$2.9 million
  - four-phased approach
  - -10% contingency





# Thank You

Wendy McCormick, Executive Director Scott Rhodes, Board President Habitatfindlay.org 419-429-1400





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CHIEF MATERIN AND SUT. WALTERS PRESENTED A POWERPOINT PRESENTATION DESCITIBING THE CITY OF FINDLAY POLICE DEPARTMENT BODY WORN CAMERAS, MANUFACTUREZ BY AXON, A DEMO BY SUT WATER, HARDWARE, SOFTWARE, RECORD RETENTION, AND POLICY WAXE DISCUSSED.

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**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** 

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