Good evening Steven and Martin:

On behalf of the Boulder County Housing Authority (BCHA), I am writing you to let you know that BCHA is formally withdrawing its rezoning and Planned Development (PD) Amendment application, recently submitted on August 19, 2022, that would add 100% affordable rental and for-sale housing as an allowed use on two parcels (the RTD Park-N-Ride site and adjacent parcel Pad 8) at Superior Marketplace.

Since we first presented to the Town Board on May 24, 2021, BCHA has been committed to partnering with the Town of Superior to deliver its first affordable housing community. The Marshall Fire on December 30, 2021 was a traumatic and devastating event that affected the community and has strained the Town’s resources and wiped out much of its housing stock. BCHA has assisted low-income residents who were displaced by the fire, including those who rely on housing choice voucher rent assistance for their housing, and we will continue to partner with residents who have been severely impacted.

After BCHA initially paused our application in May 2022, The Town of Superior asked BCHA to prepare a resubmittal to be reviewed by Planning Commission and the Town Board in September 2022. During community engagement, BCHA received valuable feedback from residents, and we updated our plans as a direct result of the community feedback. We are excited to share the progress that resulted from partnering with the community in a public forum where the Board of Trustees can openly discuss the proposal and provide insight into the next phase of community engagement and planning.

In talking with residents and Town staff, we understand that having a pending application prevents open and frank discussions about this project between elected/appointed officials and residents. BCHA would like to remove this application from any quasi-judicial process to allow the residents and officials to discuss the proposed changes to the Superior Marketplace and BCHA’s plans for affordable housing.

BCHA appreciates the community members who attended the initial engagement events and provided feedback about the submittal and the overall project concept.

BCHA will continue community engagement around affordable housing in Superior and land assembly at the RTD site. We believe the project will benefit from additional community feedback and provide the future elected Town Board to consider future submittals by BCHA. Information about the project is available at www.boco.org/SuperiorTODHousing.

Our team is dedicated to this project and the community within Superior. We remain excited about working with the Town and community to design and build Superior’s first affordable housing community.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the number below.

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