

January 31, 2019

Hennepin County 701 South 4th Avenue Minneapolis, MN 55417

RE: Letter of Support for MWF Properties

To Whom it May Concern:

The Edina Housing and Redevelopment Authority is supportive of MWF Properties' applications to Hennepin County for deferred financing for a 62-unit affordable workforce housing apartment at 7075-7079 Amundson Avenue, named Amundson Flats.

Edina is a first ring suburb of Minneapolis with high property values and strong schools. We are a built out community with predominantly single family residential neighborhoods and multifamily housing near commercial nodes.

The redevelopment of the site at 7075-7079 Amundson is responsive to the community's need for affordable housing to compliment the market-rate housing typically provided. Edina residents and Edina businesses have voiced concerns about the lack of affordable housing. Potentially creating a 100% affordable housing development at this site will help to address the need for new affordable housing for households of a variety of sizes and with a variety of income levels, assuming it otherwise meets all City regulatory requirements.

The City of Edina and the Edina HRA recognize the need for affordable housing to maintain a diverse and growing population.

Sincerely,
James B. Hovland, Chair
Housing and Redevelopment Authority