



NORTHEAST COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

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Mr. Jerry LePage
Community Planning and Economic Development
Multifamily Housing Development
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Dear Jerry:

Thank you for meeting with me last week. Please also thank and convey my regards to Cynthia.

NE CDC requests that the City continue our development rights on the 3.3 acre of land in the Beltrami neighborhood commonly referred to as the Buchanan site. As you are aware, we have been hanging in there for over a year and a half with the neighborhood organization – the Beltrami Neighborhood Council (BNC) – waiting for MNDOT to sell the land to the City. The plan has been, and still is, for BNC to choose a developer themselves after NE CDC has provided a variety of design and finance consulting services that will enable them to make a good choice.

Please also note that we have made the connection with Mr. Pflaum at your request. I invited him to the neighborhood meeting next Monday to become a co-participant in the site planning session we have scheduled.

A letter will be forthcoming from BNC requesting this same extension. Council member Hofstede is fully aware of this project and supports it.

Thank you for your consideration. I can be reached at 612-627-9366.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Vaughn", written over a light blue horizontal line.

John Vaughn
Executive Director