NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC REVIEW AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE BRUNSWICK COMMONS SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AND RESOURCE CENTER PROJECT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County of Nevada, as a lead agency, is circulating for public review a Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the proposed 41-unit Brunswick Commons Supportive Housing and Resource Center project.

PROJECT LOCATION: Located at 936 Old Tunnel Road, on the west side of Old Tunnel Road just north of the interaction of Town Talk Road, in the City of Grass Valley **APN:** 035-400-054

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project involves two separate but related projects, both to be located on the subject parcel. The site is owned by Nevada County, who will retain ownership and lease the property for a period of 99 years pursuant to a disposition and development agreement with developer. The County Board of Supervisors will retain responsibility for reviewing and approving the design and development of the project, which will be built and operated by applicant on behalf of the County.

Brunswick Commons is a proposed 41-unit affordable rental apartment project, designed to provide housing targeting the homeless and mentally ill. A single residential building, plus offstreet parking, a community garden, a barbecue/picnic area, bicycle lockers, and a playground area, will occupy 2.32± acres of the 5-acre parcel. The project will include a mix of 33 onebedroom units and 8 two-bedroom units. A community center also located in the building will provide an office, maintenance room, computer-learning center, exercise room, community room with a communal kitchen, and laundry facilities. Supportive services for residents will be provided within the community center facility.

Construction will be wood frame supported by perimeter foundations with concrete slab flooring. Due to the slope of the site, the east (uphill) side of the building will be two stories, and the west (downhill) side will be three stories.

A 1± acre portion or the parcel, south of the apartments, will be the site of a County Resource Center, intended to provide social services to project residents as well as other members of the community in need. The facility will be a 10,558 sq. ft. building that will provide services for homeless individuals and families. The services to be provided include self-care facilities, general mail service/lockers, facilities and services for pets of the homeless, case management services and housing services mental health services, substance abuse services, benefit/application services, veterans benefit services, self-help groups/meetings, domestic violence counseling/resources, legal aid, disability and advocacy services, employment services, and transportation services. Brunswick Commons Resource Center will also provide nine Transitional Housing units that will be available to support the process of moving the individual and family clients into permanent housing.

A 20' by 275' strip of land extend from the west side of the site to Sutton Way. A pedestrian path will be constructed within this strip, connecting the apartments and the resource center to Sutton Way. A $1.7\pm$ acre portion, in the northwest area of the parcel, will remain undeveloped at this time.

PUBLIC REVIEW: As a lead agency, in accordance with CEQA, Nevada County is distributing the Draft IS/MND to interested public and regulatory authorities for review and comment for a period of 30-days. Nevada County is inviting comments and concerns regarding the IS/MND during the public review period spanning **May 24, 2019 to June 24, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.** Final action on the proposed MND will be taken by the Board of Supervisors after the completion of the public review period at a duly noticed public hearing on a date to be determined.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: The Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review on Nevada County's website at

https://www.mynevadacounty.com/2703/Brunswick-Commons-Project

Hardcopies may be reviewed at the Nevada County Board of Supervisors Office, 950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 200, Nevada City, CA 95959, or at the Nevada County Health and Human Services Agency, 950 Maidu Avenue, Suite 120, Nevada City, CA 95959.

Written comments should be sent to the following address: Mike Dent, Director Nevada County Housing and Community Service, 950 Maidu Avenue, Nevada City, CA 95959 Phone: 530-265-1410 - Email: <u>mike.dent@co.nevada.ca.us</u>; on or before **June 24, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.**

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