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Hello,

Please see attached for a letter from the State Council on Developmental Disabilities regarding the proposed Cornerstone Village – Elk Grove.

Thank you,

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Subject: RE: Cornerstone Village Plans + Support Needed Wednesday

Good Morning Kristine and Team,

Attached is the letter from SCDD Sacramento Regional Office Re: Bethesda Cornerstone Village Project. I appreciate everything each of you do for our communities.

Warmest Regards,

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Dear Council Members Patrick Hume and Darren Suen,

The California State Council on Developmental Disabilities Sacramento Regional Office appreciates the opportunity to comment on agenda Item 4a Bethesda Cornerstone Village Project. The California State Council on Developmental Disabilities Sacramento Regional Office (SCDD) values and appreciates the City of Elk Grove's long-term commitment to advancing accessible, affordable housing. SCDD is established under State and Federal law to ensure that people with disabilities and their families have the services and supports they need. The Council advocates, promotes, and implements policies and practices that achieve self-determination, independence, productivity and inclusion in all aspects of community life for Californians with developmental disabilities and their families. One of the core principles of our mission is that everyone, including people with developmental disabilities, deserves to have a place to call home. People with disabilities, especially those with intellectual and developmental disabilities, are severely impacted by the lack of accessible and affordable housing; especially those who are low or very-low income.

Federal law requires the State Council to identify ways to improve and increase services for individuals and their families, and to submit these ideas to the federal government in the form of a State Plan. The Bethesda Cornerstone Village proposal is consistent with SCDD's State Plan Goal 3 (Housing): Californians with I/DD and their families reflecting the diversity of the state will have increased access to affordable, accessible, safe, and fully integrated housing that provides choice and flexibility regarding where and with whom they live. Additionally, Housing Goal 3.1 states: The Council will work with housing entities to increase the development and/or provision of community housing for people with I/DD. The Bethesda Cornerstone Village project is an 84-unit development. What sets this proposal apart is Bethesda's commitment to set aside

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25% of the residential units specifically for people with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

Another important initiative which sets this project apart is Bethesda's commitment to set aside nine apartments for people experiencing homelessness. 17.7 percent of the U.S. population had a disability whereas an estimated 42.8 percent of sheltered homeless adults had a disability. The State Council on Developmental Disabilities Sacramento Regional Office looks forward to this project. This housing is truly needed by the communities we serve every day. If you have any questions or need any further information, please reach out to me at (916) 670-0407.

Kindest Regards,

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From: [Diane Lampe](#)
To: [Inez Scott](#)
Subject: Bethesda Cornerstone Village
Date: Tuesday, August 10, 2021 9:12:02 AM

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Dear Honorable Mayor Singh-Allen and Elk Grove City Council,
The Bethesda group working on the proposed Cornerstone Village reached out and met with us to share their plans for the project. We were excited to hear the services they will provide for the future residents at Cornerstone Village and the collaboration they plan with Light of the Valley Church and organizations like our Elk Grove Homeless Assistance Resource Team. The housing, services and community they plan to provide will be a great step towards supporting residents that are most vulnerable to housing insecurity.

We'd like to express our support of this project as an asset to our Elk Grove community.

Kindly,
Diane Lampe
Board President
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