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Information and Application for Affordable Housing Lottery

Willow Street Condominiums 52 Willow Street Mansfield, MA 02048

Three 3BR New Construction Condominium Units \$212,400

This packet contains specific information for the lottery for three affordable homeownership units in Mansfield, MA, including eligibility requirements, the selection process, and a lottery application.

The key milestones for this housing opportunity:

Application Period opens September 4, 2019

Open House
 October 2, 2019, 5:30-6:30 pm, at the site

Information Session
 October 2, 2019, 7 pm,

Meeting Room 2A/B, Mansfield Town Hall, 6 Park Row, Mansfield, MA 02048

Application Deadline
 Lottery
 November 12, 2019, 1 pm
 November 20, 2019, 7pm

Mansfield Regional Airport, 265 Fruit Street, Mansfield, MA 02048

This application is a first step in the lottery process and does not assure you a home. Applicants must secure approval for a mortgage loan and submit evidence of such approval together with the application.

Please contact the agent below for any questions or to **submit your application**:

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Project description

The Willow Street Condominiums was approved by the Mansfield Zoning Board on May 17, 2017, as the affordable component of the Willowdale Estates development.

The developer, Walsh Brothers Building Company, and the Town of Mansfield are working to provide this affordable housing opportunity in Mansfield through the DHCD Local Initiative Program. In this project, a total of three (3) affordable condominiums will be constructed in Mansfield and will be sold to homebuyers with incomes that shall not exceed 80% of the Taunton-Mansfield-Norton Massachusetts MSA area median income.

The price of the three affordable bedroom units will be \$212,400.

Willow Street Condominiums is conveniently located right off Rt 495, and within walking distance to Mansfield Center.



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The three new construction units, located at 52 Willow Street, are contained in one triplex building. The two end units are 1,235 square feet, and the middle unit 1,247 square feet, which does not count the garage. The homes are 3BR, 1.5 bath floorplans with an open kitchen\living area on the first floor, and all bedrooms on the second floor. The homes have forced hot air heating and air-conditioning powered by natural gas. The kitchen and baths have granite tops, and the living areas are hardwood and appliances (stove, fridge, microwave, dishwasher) stainless steel. There is a washer/dryer hookup fitted for stackable units. There is a two-car garage on the ground level, and a deck off the living area.

The affordable units will be offered under the Local Initiative Program (LIP), administered by Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), as a Local Action Unit (LAU). Local Action Units are created through local municipal action, in this case via the Town of Mansfield's Special Permit for Planned Residential Developments. Sale prices of LAUs are set so that a household earning 70% of area median income would not expend more than 30% of income for housing.

The new construction homes have a condo fee of \$180/month. The monthly Condominium fees are shared equally between the three units. These fees cover landscaping and insurance. Water/sewer/utilities are the responsibility of each owner, as well as snow plowing. The homeowner is responsible for all other maintenance, and will also pay real estate taxes (\$275/month using 2019 tax rate of \$15.22).

The units will be available to income eligible first-time homebuyers, with some exceptions permitted under the program, as noted in this application. The units will be available for immediate purchase.

Lottery description:

- 1. The applications for this housing opportunity will be generally available, including on-line, in hardcopy at the Mansfield Town Offices, Mansfield Public Library, and Mansfield Housing Authority, and sent to anyone interested in the lottery. Notice of the lottery will be advertised, and communicated widely through local, regional and state channels.
- 2. Applications must be received in hardcopy and will be checked for completion of all required components. An application will be considered complete when all required items on the checklist have been provided. Applicants are encouraged to complete the checklist as an aide to the process. We do not accept email or fax submission of applications.
- 3. For all units, the applicant's household size will be determined from the application, and required number of bedrooms as indicated on the application. Within each lottery pool, priority shall be given to households requiring at least the number of bedrooms for that unit. Smaller households are encouraged to apply.
- 4. The applicant's income will be verified and compared to the income limits published by HUD for the Taunton-Mansfield-Norton area. Income includes all income prior to any deductions from all adult household members, and are determined using the method as in the HUD Section 8 program defined at 24 CFR 5.609. An imputed income amount of 0.06% of assets will be added to income for assets over \$5,000. The current income limits will be used, currently the 2019 limits:

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1 person - $52,850, 2 person - $60,400, 3 person - $67,950, 4 person - $75,500, 5 person - $81,550, 6 person - $87,600
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- 5. Household assets shall not exceed \$75,000 in value. Assets include but are not limited to all cash, cash in savings accounts, checking accounts, certificates of deposit, bonds, stocks, the cash value of retirement accounts, value of real estate holdings and other capital investments. The value of necessary personal property (furniture, vehicles) is excluded from asset values. Equity from the sale of any home will be included with other household assets that cannot exceed the household asset value limits noted above. Assets divested at less than full market value within two years of application will be counted at full market value when determining eligibility.
- 6. Eligible applicants must be a First-time Homebuyer. This is further defined as a household that has not owned a home within three years, including in trust, preceding the application, with the exception of displaced homemaker, single parents and senior households (at least one household member is 55 or over). Any previously or currently owned home must be sold prior to purchase of the affordable unit.
 - A displaced homemaker is an individual who is an adult, who has owned a home only with a spouse, who is legally separated from a spouse, and who does not currently own the home previously owned with a spouse.



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Single parents are individuals who owned a home with his or her partner or resided in a home owned by the partner and is a single parent (is unmarried or legally separated from a spouse and either has 1 or more children of whom the individual has custody or joint custody, or is pregnant);

Additional exceptions are made for households that owned a principal residence not permanently affixed to a permanent foundation, and households that owned a property that was not in compliance with State, local or model building codes.

Eligible applicants cannot own residential property, whether for primary, secondary or investment purposes.

- 7. Persons must submit all the necessary information by the application deadline. Late applications (applications mailed and/or received after the above date) and applications that are incomplete will not be accepted. No faxed or emailed applications will be accepted.
- 8. All applicants will be screened for eligibility. Applicants who have been deemed ineligible will be notified in writing of the decision and given time to contact the lottery agent in writing to disagree with the determination. A final lottery eligibility letter will be mailed to each applicant indicating their final eligibility determination, preferences and the lottery specifics (date/time).
- 9. The Town is committed to providing equal access to all applicants. The Local Pool will be balanced to avoid any disparate impact, ensuring that the local pool reflects the racial/ethnic balance of the HUD defined Metropolitan Statistical Area ("MSA"). Specifically, if the percentage of minority local resident households in the local preference pool is less than the percentage of minorities in the surrounding HUD-defined area (14.4%), minority applicants will then be included from the general pool through a minority pre-balancing to the local preference pool through a minority pre-balancing. Applicants are able to claim minority preferences if they include self-declarations as proof.
- 10. Applicants that qualify for a local preference will be placed in the local pool. One unit will be available for local residents. Applicants will be entered into all the pools for which they qualify; so a local resident will be included in both general and local pools. Local resident includes:
 - Current Mansfield residents
 - Families with children enrolled in the Town of Mansfield's schools:
 - Mansfield municipal employees
 - People employed by businesses located in the Town of Mansfield, including with a bona fide offer of employment.
- 11. There will be two lottery pools created for these opportunities.
 - 1) General Pool (2 units): Units B & C
 - 2) Local Pool (1 unit): Unit A
- 12. The lottery numbers will be pulled randomly by an independent third party in a public setting. Lottery numbers will be assigned a number in the sequence in which they are drawn and recorded in the order of selection on the Lottery Drawing Lists. The list of numbers drawn will be posted and letters will be mailed within three business days to the winners.
- 13. Once the tickets have been randomly drawn and listed in the drawn order, the unit is then ranked based on bedroom size. The top ranked household needing at least three bedrooms will be offered the opportunity to purchase the unit. The household size preference shall be given to households based on the following criteria.
 - There is at least one occupant per bedroom.
 - A husband and wife, or those in a similar living arrangement, shall be required to share a bedroom.
 - Other household members may share but shall not be required to share a bedroom.
- 14. The lottery agent shall maintain all Lottery Drawing Lists. In the event that any of the applicants withdraw for any reason, or do not comply with guidelines, the next qualified applicant in the lottery pool ranked by bedroom size need, will be offered the unit.
- 15. Persons with a disability who can document their need the design feature in the unit will have priority for that unit.



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- 16. If there are more local units than local applicants needing all of the bedrooms of the unit, the local unit will be offered to the next ranked applicant in the general list needing all of the bedrooms in the unit. The ranked local applicants needing one fewer bedroom will then be considered in drawing order, followed by the ranked general applicants needing one fewer bedroom than in the unit.
- 17. Top ranked applicants are offered the next available unit. If any applicant is offered a unit and opts not to proceed, they will be moved to the bottom of the list, unless there are extenuating circumstances related to hardship.
- 18. The winners will sign a reservation form and provide a \$1,000 deposit in the form of a certified or bank check within a mutually agreed upon timeframe. This is applied to the overall purchase amount.
- 19. Final qualification against all requirements will be verified before the execution of Purchase and Sale, and eligible applicants must be approved by DHCD before signing a P&S and again before closing (if closing is longer than 60 days from the Purchase and Sale) as determined by the Lottery Agent.
- 20. There are specific closing and financing requirements for loans on these units, which include the following. We strongly encourage households to apply through banks who are aware of the resale restrictions and guidelines for affordable housing programs. These banks will likely have access to additional first-time homebuyer programs that may be of great assistance and increase your buying power such as the Massachusetts Housing Partnership's ONE Mortgage Program or MassHousing no-MI product.
 - The loan must have a fixed interest rate through the full term of the mortgage.
 - The loan must have a current fair market interest rate, no more than 2 points and must be locked in.
 - The buyer must provide a down payment of at least 3%, 1.5% of which must come from the buyer's own funds.
 - The buyer may not pay more than 38% of their monthly income for monthly housing costs.
 - Mortgage co-signers are not accepted
 - Loans from non-institutional lenders will not be accepted.
- 21. The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, age, disability, marital status, familial status, veteran status, sexual orientation, and/or national origin, or any other basis prohibited by law and is specifically prohibited in the sale of these units. An applicant who believes that they have been discriminated against may contact: the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination; and/or the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- 22. Disabled persons are entitled to request reasonable accommodation of rules, policies, or services, or reasonable modification of housing, with submitted third party documentation of need.
- 23. Resale process: The Monitoring Agent has up to 90 days after you give notice of your intention to sell the home to an Eligible Purchaser, or to close on a sale to a Monitoring Agent, or to a buyer that one of them may designate. This time period can be extended, as provided in the Deed Rider, to arrange for details of closing, to locate a subsequent purchaser if the first selected purchaser is unable to obtain financing, or for lack of cooperation on your part. If you attempt to sell or transfer the home without complying with the Deed Rider requirements, the Monitoring Agents may, among their other rights, void any contract for such sale or the sale itself.



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AFFORDABLE HOUSING APPLICATION

Must Be Completed and Returned to Sudbury Housing Trust Office by November 12, 2019, 1 pm

Applicant Legal	Name	Phone Number	E-mail	
Address Co-Applicant Legal Name Address		City	E-mail	
		Phone Number		
		City		
I learned of this	lottery from (check all that applies	s):		
Website:		Letter:		
Advertisement:		Other:		
THIS APPLIC	ATION IS NOT COMPLETE IF N	OT SUBMITTED WITH:		
	Completed application signed by	y all individuals over the age of 18.		
	Copy of 2016, 2017 and 2018 F every current or future person liv If you do not have copies of	ederal tax returns, as filed, with W-2's a ving in the household over the age of 1 your Federal tax returns, you must com turn or verification of non-filing. Obtain	8. State returns are not required. plete form 4506-T & submit to the IRS	
	Copy of five most recent consecutive pay stubs. If self-employed, a current YTD expenses and revenue schedule.			
	members listed on the application pensions, unemployment compe	ents and documents that indicate the payment amounts from all other sources of income of all on the application, such as family support, alimony, child support, Social Security benefits, apployment compensation, workman's compensation, disability and any other form of income. RS form Schedule C for self-employment income for 2018.		
	value including all bank account On financial institution letter 	ecutive months) of all assets, including s, investment accounts, cash life insuranteed, Include all pages roll deposits over \$500 by notation on the	ance policies, retirement accounts:	
		of of adequate assets to cover down pa or loans, and applicants cannot spend m		
	Documentation regarding currer	nt interest in real estate, if applicable.		
		nd notarized, for any household memb age "Under penalties of Perjury."	er over 18 with no source of income, if	
	No Child Support Statement, sig Perjury."	ned and notarized, if applicable, conta	ining the language "Under penalties of	
	Gift Letter, signed by donor, if a	oplicable, indicating that there is no exp	pected repayment of the gift.	
	Minority Self-Declaration Statem of Perjury."	nent, signed and dated, if applicable, co	ontaining the language "Under penalties	



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Number of Bedrooms Needed:	•	aing yourseir	•			
Names of all Persons to Reside in Dwelli (First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name)	•	Married? (Y/N)	Full Time Student? (Y/N)	Age	Date of Birth	Minority Category (Optional)
HEAD						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander; or other (non-W Local Preference – Check all that apply, at 1) current Mansfield resident, address 2) Families with children enrolled it 3) employee of the Town of Mansf 4) employee of businesses located	nd attach documentaress: n the Town of Mansferield, title:	ation:	s, school/grad	de:		
Property - Do you own or have an interest in	•			. ,	• •	
Address:			Current V	'alue:		
[Provide current assessment information, and Have you disposed of any property for less that Have you sold real estate or other property in	nan its value in the pa	st two years		, , ,		·
When: Address	S:					
Sales Price:	-					
Purchase Price plan - Purchase price:						
Amount and source of Down Payme						
Amount and source of Gift:						
Amount of Mortgage:						
Amount and source available for Clo	eina Costs:					



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Income - List all income of all members over the age of 18 listed on application to reside in the unit, such as wages, child support, Social Security benefits, all types of pensions, employment, Unemployment Compensation, Workman's Compensation, alimony, disability or death benefits and any other form of income; including rental income from property. Adults with no income are required to submit a notarized statement. If additional space is needed, please attach another sheet.

#	Source of Income	Address/Phone# of Source	Amount per Year	
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
	TOTAL			

Assets - List all checking, savings accounts, CD's, stocks, bonds, retirement accounts, savings bonds and any other investments below. If additional space is needed, please attach another sheet. Household assets do not include necessary personal property.

#	Type of Asset	Account No	Value, Balance
1	Checking account		
2	Savings account		
3	Retirement account		
4	Other:		
5	Other:		
6	Other:		
7	Other:		
8	Other:		
9	Other:		
		TOTAL	



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APPLICANT(S) CERTIFICATION

I/We certify that our household size is	persons, as documente	d herein.	
I/We certify that our total household income e	equals \$,	as documented herein.	
I/We certify that our household has assets to	taling \$, as documented herein.	
I/We certify that the information in this applic knowledge and belief under full penalty of pe disqualification from further consideration.			
I/We certify that I am/we, or our family, are no or any party of this project.	ot related to the Develor	per of the property, the Lottery	Agent, the Monitoring Agent
I/We understand that it is my/our obligation to including closing costs and down payments,			e home and all expenses,
I/We understand that if I/we do not obtain a r days after the lottery the unit will be offered to			reement within forty-five
I/We understand there may be differences be	etween the market and a	affordable units and accept thos	e differences.
I/We understand that this property will have a property as outlined below. The restriction e The property must be the owner's p The property can't be refinanced with	nsures that the unit rem rincipal residence.	ains affordable for future purch	asers of the property.
 refinanced for more than 97% of the There is a limit on the resale price of maximum resale price will be estable time of resale. If an owner wants to of Housing and Community Develop 	of the unit so that the unit lished at the time of puro sell their affordable unit	t will always be affordable. The chase and will be based on the t, they are required to notify the	Area Median Income at the
I/We have been advised that a copy of the Lo Agent and on the DHCD website:			

THIS IS APPLICATION IS ONLY FOR THIS SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT.