



Housing Authority of the City of Reno

August 16, 2017

Ms. Sabra Smith-Newby
City of Reno - City Manager
PO Box 1900
Reno, NV 89501

Re: 1035 Eighth Street (APN' 008-164-20)

Dear Ms. Newby,

I am writing to express the Reno Housing Authority's (RHA) interest in the Eighth Street property (APN: 008-164-20) owned by the City of Reno. The RHA is committed to providing affordable housing options for low-income families within our community and we are actively seeking unique housing opportunities, such as combining housing for youth and seniors.

The RHA understands the City of Reno acquired the property under the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) and we are very familiar with the NSP requirements. As we received over \$20 million dollars under the NSP grant to purchase foreclosed homes throughout Washoe County. The RHA rehabilitated the properties and now offers them to families as affordable rental housing in our community.

The RHA plans to expand our community partnerships by exploring innovative ideas as to the best use for the Eighth Street property. The concept of allowing seniors to occupy individual units on the lower level and youth to occupy the upper level would allow both age groups to support and mentor each other. The Eighth Street property is conveniently located just blocks from the Washoe County Senior Center, allowing seniors access to needed services and resources.

We understand the City is committed to fulfilling the need for affordable housing in our community, just as we are. In an effort to jointly meet this growing need, I respectfully request your consideration in donating the Eighth Street property to the Reno Housing Authority.

Please contact me if you have any questions or would like to discuss further.

Sincerely,

Amy Jones
Executive Director