City of Newton



Setti D. Warren Mayor

Newton, Massachusetts FUNDING REQUEST for AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FY15 or FY16

PRE-PROPOSAL

X PROPOSAL

(For staff use) date rec'd:

Rec'd 19-20 October 2015

Project TITLE	10-12 Cambria Road Affordable Housing								
Project	Full street address (with zip o	Full street address (with zip code), or other precise location.							
LOCATION	10-12 Cambria Road, We	est Newton,	MA 02465						
Project CONTACTS	Name & title of organization	Er	mail	Mailing address					
Manager/ Developer	Josephine McNeil, Executive Director, CAN-DO	Jam_cando@msn.com		617-964-3527	1075 Washington Street West Newton, MA 02465				
Other Contacts	None provided.								
Project	Newton CDBG/HOME/C	PA funds	Total other fo	unds to be used:	Total project cost:				
FUNDING	requested: \$780,410		\$125,000	\$905,410					
Project SUMMARY & NEEDS	Location (amenities within walking distance, access to transit); short summary of details on page 2 (rehabilitation or new construction; target population; type of housing; unit composition; special features); and brief citations (section & page) showing how the project meets needs identified in Newton's Comprehensive Plan, Consolidated Plan, or Community Preservation Plan (if relevant).								

The property is located in West Newton, close to the Waltham border. The 554/556 MBTA bus route which runs between Waltham and Newton is within two blocks of the property. Within one block is a convenience store, and a laundromat. The elementary school is within walking distance, the middle school is approx. one mile away and the high school is within 1.5 miles, both accessible on the bus line.

The existing two-family will be renovated:

- Replace Roof; repartitioning of second floor kitchen with new cabinets and appliances;
- Addition of new heating system (currently both units on one system); insulation of attic;
- Repoint masonry chimney to prevent failure;
- Repair siding, siding trim, seal penetrations and repair gutters and downspouts to prevent water infiltration;
- Porch repair of decking, structural supports, lattice to prevent failure; Remove basement ceilings and wall
 finishes to determine extent of mold, and to provide proper access to electrical panes;
- Remove/encapsulate/cover basement asbestos flooring tile;
- Repair/replace basement rotted/termite damaged partitions and stair
- Replace termite damaged frame sills;
- Replace/repair misc. plumbing including waste lines and valves;
- Repair electrical connections; and
- Lead paint testing and removal.

The population to be served by the housing are extremely low and low income homeless families. This is a population identified as the top priority on p. 113 of the FY16-20 Consolidated Plan. (SP-25)

Project TITLE	10-12 Cambria Road Affordable Housing						
SOURCES OF FUN	DS Check all that apply and identify if funds are committed or proposed.						
X CDBG funds	DBG funds \$189,690				lentify sou	rces)	
☐ HOME funds		\$11	9,603	Private Foun	dation		\$50,000
X CPA funds		\$47	1,117	FHLBBoston	of AHP		\$75,000
☐ Private bank	loan		\$				\$
USES OF FUNDS	Check al	l that apply.					
Acquisition	✓ Reha	bilitation	✓ Mortga	age buydown	☐ Site	preparation/ reme	diation
For CPA: 🗸 Cre	ation						
TARGET POPULA	TION & SI	PECIAL FEAT	TURES Chec	k all that apply			
✓ Individual/Fam	ily				✓ Homele	ess/At Risk of Home	elessness
Special needs, entered.	/disabilitie	es (identify p	oopulation 8	k provider of s	support se	rvices, if any): No i	nformation
☐ Special featur	es (histori	c preservati	on, sustaina	bility, etc.): N	o informa	tion entered.	
TYPE OF HOUSIN	G Check	all that apply	y .				
✓ Rental						n or other (identify	ι): No
✓ Individual/sing	le family			ir	nformation	n entered.	
UNIT COMPOSITI	ON List t	he developm	ent's number	r of units in eac	h category.		
	otal	≤ 30% AN		% AMI ≤ 8	80% AMI	80-100% AMI	Market-rate
2 BR 3 BR			1	1			
OUTREACH Sum	marize effa	orts to date to	o communica	te with abutter	rs, neighbor	rhood residents & wa	rd aldermen.
I have spoken to	one ward	alderman w	ho has comi	mitted to com	ımunicatin	g with his colleagu	es in Ward 3.
This a an existing neighbors.	property a	and no chan	ges will be r	made to the e	xterior; th	us there is no oblig	ation to notify

Project TITLE 10-12 Cambria Road Affordable Housing										
Required	Check if included	HOUSING PROPOSAL ATTACHMENTS CHECKLIST Pre-proposals need only the attachments highlighted in yellow.								
always	X	PETITION of SUPPORT (2 page petition provided; phone numbers and emails omitted online								
	Х	PHOTOS	of site conditions & surroundings (2-3 photos may be enough for pre-proposal)							
always	X	MAP	of site in relation to nearest major roads, schools, shopping, transit, etc.							
	X	TIMELINE	including financing, permitting, construction & occupancy							
			SITE CONTROL & PROJECT FINANCES							
	X	Deed								
	X	Developer	commitment to pursue permanent affordability (statement on attachments list)							
always	SEPARATE ONLINE		by an independent, certified real estate appraiser (commissioned by CPC & posted on CPC website)							
always	X	Developme	ent pro forma							
	X	Scope of co	onstruction work, supported by professional cost estimates							
	X	Non-Newt	on funding: summary on attachments list							
	Х	Market and on attachm	alysis: including prevailing/trending rents or prices & target population – summary nents list							
as needed	ONLINE ONLY	Home insp	Home inspection report by a licensed professional, for rehabilitation projects							
rental	Χ	10-year op	10-year operating budget (pre-proposals need only a short draft)							
only	NONE	Rental sub	Rental subsidy, if any: sources, commitment letters or application/decision schedules							
		DEVELOPER CAPACITY & QUALIFICATIONS								
	X	Organizatio	on mission & current housing portfolio, including how this project fits both							
	X	Previous si	Previous similar projects completed, with photographs							
always	Х	Resumes for development team, including affiliations with City boards or commissions								
aiways	X	Most recent audited annual financial statement of parent company or organization								
		ments on Fair housing training completed								
		ments list. Any past fair housing complaints & their resolution								
nonprofits	X	Most recent annual operating budget								
	Х	Board of directors: including skills, experience, tenure & affiliations								
			SITE REVIEW, ZONING & PERMITTING							
		ents on	Brief property history, covering at least the previous 30 years of ownership & use							
		nents list	Environmental mitigation plan, including lead paint, asbestos, underground tanks							
always		pment	Confirmation of review by Development Review Team (DRT) and zoning relief /							
-	is by	right.	permits required – no review requested							
	NONE	Other approvals required: Newton Conservation or Historical Commission, Commission on Disability, Mass. Historical Commission, Mass. Architectural Access Board, etc.								
		טואסטווונץ, ו	DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION							
	X	Site & floo	r plans, elevations One partial sketch floor plan attached.							
always	X	Materials & finishes; highlight "green" or sustainable features or proposed certification								
	^	111111111111111111111111111111111111111	RELOCATION, FAIR HOUSING & ACCESSIBILITY							
	Х	Affirmative	e marketing & resident selection							
always	X		e accommodation/reasonable modification policy							
	^	^ Reasonable accommodation/reasonable modification policy								

10-12 CAMBRIA ROAD PROPOSAL ATTACHMENTS

LETTERS OR PETITONS OF SUPPORT
 PHOTOS
 MAP
 TIMELINE
 ATTACHMENT #1
 ATTACHMENT #3
 ATTACHMENT #4

5. SITE CONTROL & PROJECT FINANCES

a. Deed ATTACHMENT #5

b. The developed is committed to permanent affordability as a condition of the city funding.

e. Appraisal
 d. Development Proforma
 e. Scope of Work and Cost Estimates

ATTACHMENT #6
ATTACHMENT #8

- f. Non-Newton Funding Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston application submitted in September response expected in December of 2015; Charlesbank Home submitted in October response expected in February.
- g. Market analysis Massachusetts currently has approximately 1500 families living in hotels/motels many of whom are seeking 2-bedroom units.
- h. Home inspection report City housing staff is in possession of the report.
- i. 10 year operating budget

ATTACHMENT #9

j. There are no rental subsidies; the state is not presently offering subsidies.

6. DEVELOPER CAPACITY & QUALIFICATIONS

- a. Organization mission & current housing portfolio ATTACHMENT #10
- b. CAN-DO has the used the model set forth in the proposed project for the acquisition and renovation of a 2 or 3 family dwelling to create housing affordable to low-income families for approximately 20 years. This model has produced 15 units of housing in Newton which will be affordable into perpetuity. Attached are photos of all our projects including: Falmouth Road; Jackson Road; 11-13 Cambria Road; 18-20 Cambria Road; 2148-50 Commonwealth Avenue; Eddy Street and Pearl Street.
- c. Resumes for development team

ATTACHMENT #11

- d. Most recent audited annual financial statement was submitted via e-mail.
- e. Project manager, Josephine McNeil has completed fair housing training.
- f. Organization has not had any fair housing complaints filed against it.
- g. 2015 annual operating budget

ATTACHMENT #12

h. Board of Directors

ATTACHMENT #13

7. SITE REVIEW, ZONING & PERMITTING

a. History – This property was built as a 2 family structure in 1938. I found no evidence of a use other than residential in the building jacket.

Attachments struck out on this list are posted separately on Newton CPC website-

- b. Environmental Mitigation Plan Lead paint and asbestos are present and remediation is included in construction budget.
- c. I assume it was not required to be presented to DRT as project is by right and there is no change in the design of the exterior.
- d. There are no approvals needed.

8. DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION

- a. Scope of work does not include any change in plan with exception of second floor kitchen.

 ATTACHMENT #14
- b. Letter from Architect ATTACHMENT #15
- c. Not Applicable

9. AFFIRMATIVE FAIR HOUSING MARKETING PLAN

a. Affirmative Marketing & resident selection plan ATTACHMENT #16

b. Reasonable accommodation /reasonable modification policy ATTACHMENT #17

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Received by CPC staff 19 October 2015 for project full proposal

10-12 CAMBRIA ROAD TIMELINE	PERIOD
Acquisition Closing	22-Sep-15
P & D Board	5-Oct-15
Bidding	1-Nov-15
Construction	11/2015 thru 3/2016
Lottery/Rent-up	1/2016 thru 2/2016
Occupancy	1-Mar-16

Rec'd & corrected by CPC staff 24 August 2015, corrected to accompany project full proposal 20 October 2015

10-12 CAMBRIA ROAD TIMELINE			
Offer	28-Jul-15		
Housing Partnership (1st discussion)	12-Aug-15		
Purchase & Sale	August-September 2015		
Housing Partnership (2nd discussion)	9-Sep-15		
CPC pre-proposal discussion	9-Sep-15		
full proposal due to CPC	19-Oct-15		
Closing	October 2015		
P&D Board	October 2015		
CPC public hearing & possible funding vote	19-Nov-15		
Board of Aldermen committees / vote	November-December 2015		
Grant agreements/ deed restriction	January 2016		
Bidding	January-February 2016		
Construction	February-March 2016		
Marketing/Rent-Up	March 2015		
Occupancy	April 2015		



JOSEPH ROSSI ATTORNEY AT LAW 2120 COMMONYEALTH AVENUE RENTON MA 02400

Attachment #5 for 10-12 Cambria Road proposal to Newton CPC



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QUITCLAIM DEED

I, Robert E. Close, an unmarried man, of Newton, Massachusetts ("Grantor"),

for consideration paid of Six Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars and no/100 (\$610,000.00)

grant to Citizens for Affordable Housing in Newton Development Organization, Inc. a Massachusetts corporation with a principal office at 1075 Washington Street Newton, Massachusetts 02465("Grantee"),

with quitclaim covenants,

the land in that part of said Newton called West Newton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon, being Lot numbered 163 as shown on "Plan of Parmenter Park in Waltham & Newton, Mass. Property of Thomas Joyce Realty Trust", dated May 1923, made by Rowland H. Barnes and Henry F. Beal, C.E.'s, recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds as Filed Plan 731, bounded and described as follows:

NORTHWESTERLY

by Lot numbered 162 on said plan, one hundred (100) feet;

NORTHEASTERLY

by Cambria Road, fifty (50) feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY

by Lots numbered 164 and 165 on said plan, one hundred (100) feet;

and

SOUTHWESTERLY

by Lot numbered 168 on said plan, fifty (50) feet.

Containing, according to said plan, 5,000 square feet of land, more or less.

Said parcel is conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, easements, restrictions, agreements, takings and covenants of record, to the extent the same are presently in force and applicable.

Being the same premises conveyed to Grantor by deed dated April 27, 2000 and recorded on April 28, 2000 in Book 31353, Page 208, at the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds.

The Grantor hereby releases all of his rights and claims of Homestead in and to the premises conveyed herein and affirms under the pains and penalties of perjury that no other person is entitled to claim the benefit of an existing estate of Homestead in the premises.

MASSACHUSETTS EXCISETAX
Southern Middlesex District ROD # 001
Date: 09/23/2015 01.57 PM
Ctri# 291094 21786 Doc# 00162182
Fee: \$2,781.60 Cons: \$610,000.00

Robert E. Close

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

On this 17^H day of Seplemb 2015, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared Robert E. Close, proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which was Moss D., to be the person whose name is signed on the preceding or attached document, and acknowledged to me that he signed it voluntarily for its stated purpose:

*and swore and affirmed to me that the contents of the document are truthful and accurate and signed voluntarily for its stated purpose.

*Notary public Sutha Karikal Notary Public, Commonwealth of Massachusetts My Commission Expires May 18, 2018

Received by CPC staff 20 October 2015

10-12 CAMBRIA ROAD DEVELOPMENT PRO FORMA

ORIGINAL

			C	RIGINAL
ITEM				
DEVELOPMENT BUDGET				
SUBTOTAL - ACQUISITION	COST		\$	610,000
CONSTRUCTION COSTS:				
Direct Construction Costs			\$	135,025
Construction Contingency		10%	\$	13,503
Total Construction			\$	148,528
			-	
TOTAL ACQUISITION AND	CONSTRUCTION		\$	758,528
SOFT COSTS				
Architect/Engineer			\$	20,000
Survey			\$	2,000
Building Permits			\$	2,430
Legal			\$	3,500
Title and Recording			\$	2,500
Real Estate Taxes			\$	5,500
Liabilty Insurance			\$	4,000
Builder's Risk insurance			\$	3,500
Appraisal			\$	600
Loan Interest	8 months		\$	20,112
Pre-development				
Relocation				
Total			\$	64,142
Soft Cost Contingency	10%		\$	6,414
Subtotal: SOFT COSTS			\$	70,556
Subtotal:Acquis.,Const.,				
and Gen. Development			\$	829,084
>Developer Overhead/Fee	8%		\$	66,327
Fund Replacement Reserve			\$	10,000
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT CO	DSTS		\$	905,410
FUNDING SOURCES:				
City of Newton - CDBG/HOM	IE .		\$	309,293
CPA GRANT			\$	471,117
Charlesbank Homes			\$	50,000
FLHB			\$	75,000
TOTAL COURSE				20- 115
TOTAL SOURCES			\$	905,410

inc. lead/asbestos remediation

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	BRIA ROAD PERATING BUDG	ET		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
	Annual increase: inc	ome		0.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%
	Annual increase: cos	sts		0.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%
INCOME:		MONTHLY	ANNUAL										
	2 BR (50%)		\$11,088	(+\$1100/	mo.minus l	Jtilities = \$	924 - Lo H0	OME					
	2 BR (80%)	\$ 1,466.00	\$17,592		mo. Utilitie:								
			\$28,680	, .									
	Vacancy rate - 10%		\$ 2,868										
ANNUAL IN	COME		\$ 25,812	\$ 25,812	\$26,328	\$26,855	\$27,392	\$27,940	\$28,499	\$29,069	\$29,650	\$30,243	\$30,848
EXPENSES													
Administrati	-												
	Mgment Fee @ 5%	of income	\$ 1,291										
	Legal		\$ 300										
	Audit		\$ 500										
	TOTAL ADMINISTR	ATIVE	\$ 2,091	\$ 2,091	\$ 2,153	\$ 2,218	\$ 2,284	\$ 2,353	\$ 2,424	\$ 2,496	\$ 2,571	\$ 2,648	\$ 2,728
Maintenance	e:												
	Extermination		\$ 500										
	Landscaping/Snow F	Removal	\$ 1,500										
	Decorating/Repairs		\$ 2,000										
	TOTAL MAINTENA	NCE	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,120	\$ 4,244	\$ 4,371	\$ 4,502	\$ 4,637	\$ 4,776	\$ 4,919	\$ 5,067	\$ 5,219
Utilities:													
	Common area electr	ic	\$ 250										
	Water/Sewer		\$ 2,000										
	TOTAL UTILITIES		\$ 2,250	\$ 2,250	\$ 2,318	\$ 2,387	\$ 2,459	\$ 2,532	\$ 2,608	\$ 2,687	\$ 2,767	\$ 2,850	\$ 2,936
Other costs:													
	Insurance		\$ 2,500										
	Taxes		\$ 5,500										
	Operating Reserve		\$ 2,000										
	Supportive Services		\$ 5,000										
	TOTAL OTHER CO	STS	\$15,000				\$16,391						
TOTAL OPE	RATING COSTS		\$ 23,341	\$23,341	\$24,041	\$24,762	\$25,505	\$26,270	\$27,058	\$27,870	\$28,706	\$29,567	\$30,454
NET CASH F	LOW		\$ 2,471	\$ 2,471	\$ 2,287	\$ 2,093	\$ 1,887	\$ 1,670	\$ 1,440	\$ 1,199	\$ 944	\$ 676	\$ 394

Attachment #8 for October 2015 Cambria Road Housing Proposal to Newton CPC

Terrence G. Heinlein AIA 1 Aberdeen Road Weston, MA 02493

The proposed scope of work, and associated costs, for the partial renovation of 10-12 Cambria Road, Newton, MA are as follows:

Remove and dispose basement ceiling and wall finishes.	\$1600.
Allow remediation of possible/likely wall mold.	\$12500.
Remove/encapsulate/cover basement asbestos flooring and pipe cover.	\$5300.
Remove and replace basement damaged partitions and stair.	\$1400.
Replace termite damaged frame wall sills.	\$8800.
Repair nonconforming electrical connections.	\$850.
Repair nonconforming plumbing, including waste and valves.	\$1900.
Modification to existing heating system, including new boiler.	\$15000.
TOTAL BASEMENT AREA SCOPE AND RELATED COSTS	\$47350 .
Repair of side access stairs, railing, and landing.	\$1750.
Removal and refinishing of interior entry stair ceiling to increase height.	\$2100.
Repair first floor main entry porch, including frame, deck, and skirt.	\$8300.
TOTAL FIRST FLOOR AREA SCOPE AND RELATED COSTS.	\$12150.

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Demolition of existing second floor kitchen, and alcove. \$850. Reframing of existing second floor kitchen, and alcove. \$900. Second floor kitchen cabinetry. \$7400. Second floor kitchen appliances. \$3100. Second floor drywall. \$1700. Second floor trim. \$450. Second floor doors, frames, hardware. \$1150. Second floor painting. \$2300. Second floor heating, ventilating, exhaust. \$2600. Second floor plumbing. \$1350. Second floor electrical* \$5200. *relocate panel.

TOTAL SECOND FLOOR AREA SCOPE AND RELATED COSTS. \$27000.

Repair, seal, and replace coil stock trim, and damaged siding components. \$9400.

Repair gutters and downspouts. Add splashblocks. \$1025.

Repoint masonry chimney. \$2200.

Replace roofing, underlayment and drip edges. \$12000.

TOTAL EXTERIOR ENVELOPE SCOPE AND RELATED COSTS \$24625.

2.

Lead paint testing and remediation.

\$14500.

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Insulation of rim joists, exterior walls, and attic* *work by non-profit energy company.

\$9400.

TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS SCOPE AND RELATED COSTS. \$23900.

TOTAL PROJECTED SCOPE COSTS 10% CONTINGENCY

\$135025. \$ 13502.

TOTAL CONSTRUCTION SCOPE COSTS

\$148527.

PROPOSED PROJECT SCHEDULE:

Construction Documents (post P & D board approval) 5 weeks.

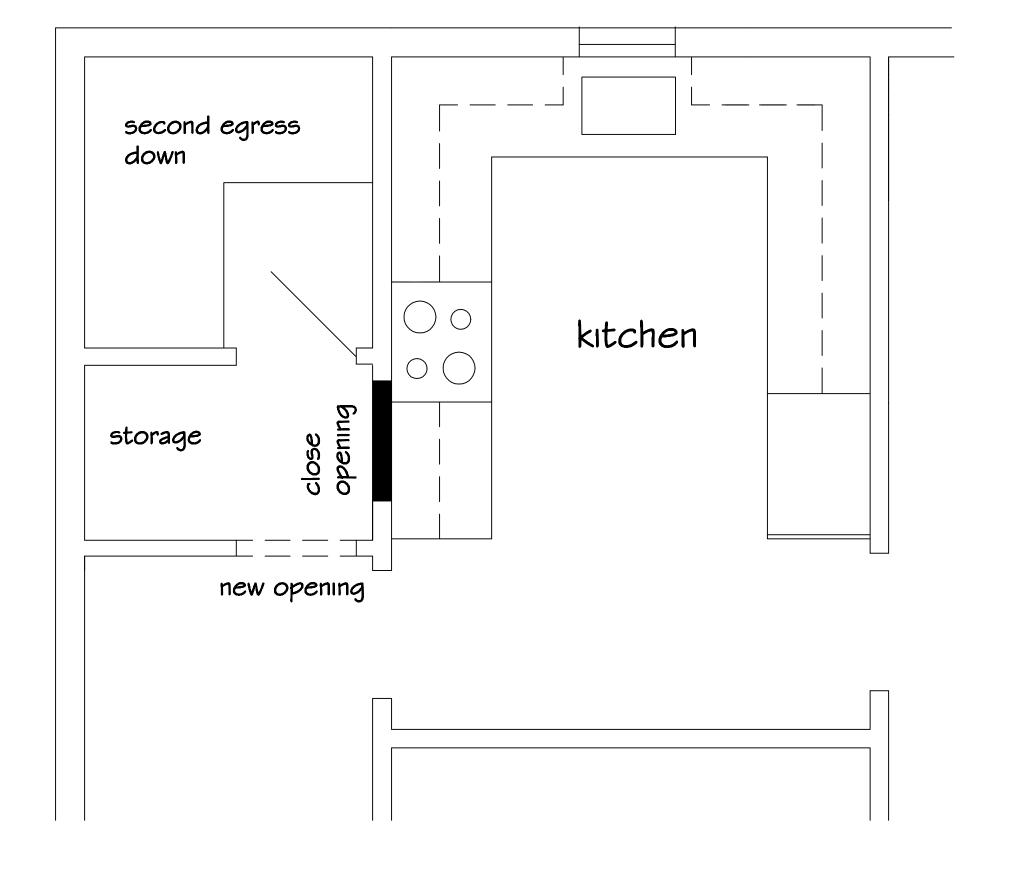
Construction Bidding. 3 weeks.

Construction Contract Signing 2 weeks.

Construction Phase 12 weeks.

Proposed scope of work, and associated costs, for the partial renovation of		
10-12 Cambria Road, Newton, MA		
PROPOSED SCOPE OF WORK		
BASEMENT		
Remove and dispose basement ceiling and wall finishes.	\$1,600	
Allow remediation of possible/likely wall mold.	\$12,500	
Remove/encapsulate/cover basement asbestos flooring and pipe cover.	\$5,300	
Remove and replace basement damaged partitions and stair.	\$1,400	
Replace termite damaged frame wall sills.	\$8,800	
Repair nonconforming electrical connections.	\$850	
Repair nonconforming plumbing, including waste and valves.	\$1,900	
Modification to existing heating system, including new boiler.	\$15,000	
TOTAL BASEMENT AREA SCOPE AND RELATED COSTS		\$47,350
FIRST FLOOR		
Repair of side access stairs, railing, and landing.	\$1,750	
Removal and refinishing of interior entry stair ceiling to increase height.	\$2,100	
Repair first floor main entry porch, including frame, deck, and skirt.	\$8,300	_
TOTAL FIRST FLOOR AREA SCOPE AND RELATED COSTS.		\$12,150
SECOND FLOOR		
Demolition of existing second floor kitchen, and alcove.	\$850	
Reframing of existing second floor kitchen, and alcove.	\$900	
Second floor kitchen cabinetry.	\$7,400	
Second floor kitchen appliances.	\$3,100	
Second floor drywall.	\$1,700	
Second floor trim.	\$450	
Second floor doors, frames, hardware.	\$1,150	
Second floor painting.	\$2,300	
Second floor heating, ventilating, exhaust.	\$2,600	
Second floor plumbing.	\$1,350	
Second floor electrical (relocate panel)	\$5,200	
TOTAL SECOND FLOOR AREA SCOPE AND RELATED COSTS.		\$27,000
EXTERIOR ENVELOPE		
Repair, seal, and replace coil stock trim, and damaged siding components.	\$9,400	
Repair gutters and downspouts. Add splashblocks.	\$1,025	
Repoint masonry chimney.	\$2,200	
Replace roofing, underlayment and drip edges.	\$12,000	**
TOTAL EXTERIOR ENVELOPE SCOPE AND RELATED COSTS		\$24,625
MISCELLANEOUS	44.70 5	
Lead paint testing and remediation.	\$14,500	
Insulation of rim joists, exterior walls, and attic (work by nonprofit energy company)	\$9,400	433 000
TOTAL PROJECTED SCOPE COSTS.		\$23,900
TOTAL PROJECTED SCOPE COSTS		\$135,025
10% CONTINGENCY		\$13,503
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION SCOPE COSTS		\$148,528

PROPOSED PROJECT SCHEDULE:		weeks required
Construction Documents (post P & D board approval)		5
Construction Bidding.		3
Construction Contract Signing		2
Construction Phase		12
	TOTAL	22



Renovated Kitchen Plan !2 Cambria Road, Newton, MA Terrence G. Heinlein AIA Architect

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September 14, 2015

Federal Home Loan Bank of Boston Affordable Housing Program 800 Boylston Street Boston, Massachusetts

Re: Sustainable Development Building Practices for 10-12 Cambria Road, Newton, MA

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to summarize the sustainable development building practices included in the development of the renovations to the above referenced project for Citizens for Affordable Housing in Newton Development Organization Inc.

New open cell foam insulation by Icynene or equal, shall be added to first floor perimeter rim joists at the exterior wall, and fiberglass insulations and/or cellulose insulations shall be placed at the first floor and attic framing planes. The existing structure currently has little or no insulation at these locations.

All new bath plumbing fixtures shall be low demand fixtures with dual flush by Toto or equal, including 1.28 gpf water closets, 2.0 gpm showerheads and kitchen faucets by Symmons or equal, with 1.5 gpm bath faucets. The new boiler, by Burnham or equal, shall be specified with a minimum of 87 percent efficiency.

Energy Star appliances and lighting fixtures shall be provided at the new upper floor unit kitchen.

All residents shall be instructed as to the correct and efficient use, and maintenance, of the new boiler, plumbing fixtures, appliances and lighting fixtures, and shall be given manuals from suppliers as indicating proper use and maintenance.

The common lower level space shall have designated locations for the City of Newton provided recycling containers for residents' use.

If you have any additional questions regarding the sustainable development building practices to be specified for this project, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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