



Detroit Housing Commission  
1301 E Jefferson  
Detroit, MI 48207

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

### **Flyer 9: Update on Parkside Developer Negotiations**

Dear Resident of the Villages at Parkside:

I am writing to provide an update on Parkside redevelopment. Back in December, DHC shared that a committee of DHC staff and two Parkside residents selected a team to redevelop Parkside: a partnership between The Habitat Company (from Chicago) and Duvernay-Brooks (from New York). The committee chose this team for their experience in developing affordable housing with meaningful community engagement.

DHC met with the winning team once in February and once in the month of April. We hoped to negotiate a Development Agreement, after which the developers would begin community engagement before any redevelopment. Unfortunately, on Friday, April 28, 2022, Habitat/Duvernay-Brooks informed DHC that they no longer wish to lead the redevelopment of Parkside.

However, DHC's efforts are not over. DHC is still committed to revitalizing Parkside in a way that benefits residents. DHC will continue to work on a strategy to identify a development plan for Parkside. We will continue to provide updates and collaborate throughout our endeavors with you. Thank you for your continued patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Sandra B. Henriquez', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Sandra B. Henriquez  
Chief Executive Officer