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2250 Diffley Rd. **Eagan Development** 

December 6, 2022

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#### **Introductions**

#### District 191:

- Dr. Theresa Battle Superintendent
- Stacey Sovine Executive Director of Administrative Services
- Board members present
- Stacie Kvilvang Ehlers

#### Development Team:

- Paul Heuer Pulte Homes
- Ben Landhauser Lifestyle Communities
- Brian Bochman Enclave Development



## **ISD 191 Commitment**

#### ISD 191 is Committed to:

- Students, student learning, and offering the best possible learning environments and opportunities;
- Engaging our community in this process and hearing from many voices;
- An open and transparent communication and decision making process;
- A cost effective use of our facilities and resources;
- Avoiding the creation of inequities or racially and socioeconomically identifiable schools.



## **Purpose of the meeting**

#### >> **District 191:**

To outline the historical events which led us to this point in time.

#### Development team:

 To share with the public their initial thoughts on how the property may redevelop and to outline the process.



## **Overview**

#### District Overview

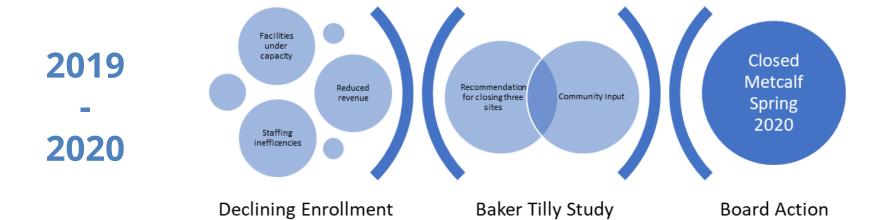
- Why we closed schools
- Why we are selling property
- Why we are seeking legislative exemption
- What was the process to sell Metcalf

#### >> Development Overview

- Property characteristics
- Site plan reviewed by the City Council
- Site plan that has been revised
- About the homes
- The process



## **District Overview - Why we closed schools**











- Metcalf is a School
  - Not selling to competitors such as private or charter schools
  - Not using taxpayer money to refurbish for other private sector purposes
- Enrollment Projections
- Leasing space limited to outdoor space and cafeteria





- Current encumbered resources:
  approximately \$6.2 million
- Current offer: \$12.3 million
- Principal / Interest: \$6.1 million
- Annual upkeep: \$182,000





- Mechanical
- Personal injury
- Property





- Pay off current debt frees up \$6.1 million in principal and interest over 12 years
- Eliminate ongoing maintenance, utilities, insurance liability
   expense and property liability



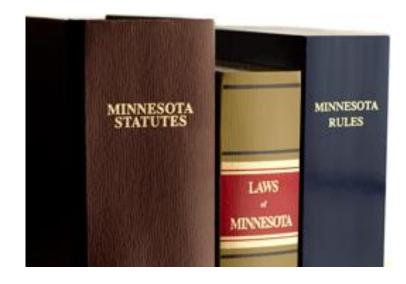
**Maximize Resources** 



Reduce Tax Burden



## **Legislative Request**



**MN Statute 123B.50** 

## Legislation and what the proceeds will be used for:

- <u>Required:</u> Pay off bonds (federal tax law, 123B.50).
- Exemption sought: Net available proceeds of approximately \$6.2M to be "transferred into the general undesignated fund to the full extent permitted under federal tax law and associated U.S. Treasury regulations" (ISD 191 Board Resolution 10/20/2020).



## What was the process to sell Metcalf

- >> Spring of 2020
  - Decision to sell various properties
- May 2021 December 2021
  - Discussions with brokers and developers regarding Metcalf
- >> January 2022
  - Received formal offer
  - Reached out to other parties that had interest to submit offer
  - No additional offers made



# **Development Overview**



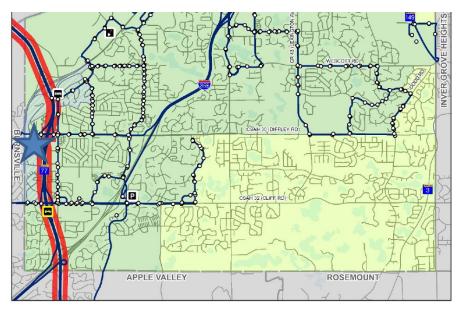
## Surrounding Land Uses







## Strong Access to Transit









#### Where Does the Water Run to?

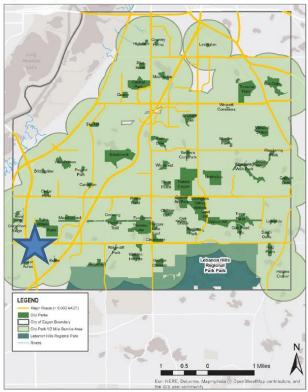






## City Parks

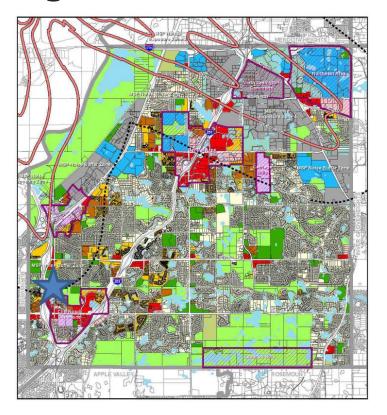
Figure 5.2 - Half-Mile from City Park







## Good Planning – Transitions of Intensity







## Existing Buffer of Trees







## Threading the Needle



#### Must satisfy a variety of goals of the stakeholders:

- Physical constraints utilities, access, trees, slopes, environmental, etc.
- Finding the best and most logical locations for each land use
- Consistent w/City codes
- Meet vision of City Council, Staff and Community at large
- County access goals
- Meet market demand of Eagan area residents
- Sensitivity to our neighbors





## Plan Presented to City Council







#### Revised Plan







#### Who Would be Your New Neighbors?

- Cooperative 62+ active adult
- Twinhomes Almost entirely empty nesters from 50 to 80 years old
- Townhomes 70% of buyers are singles, young adults, first time home buyers, young families
- Townhomes 30% of buyers are empty nesters attracted to the joint maintenance of "snow and mow"
- Apartments Young adults, empty nesters/seniors, singles, young families







#### Pulte Townhomes













#### Pulte Twinhomes











## Lifestyle Communities Active Projects

















## Enclave Recent Projects











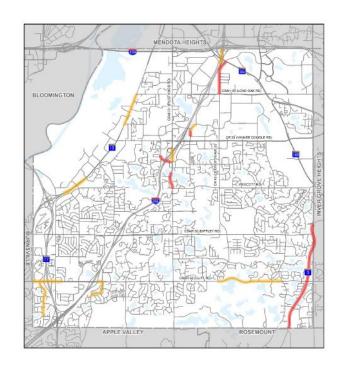






#### Traffic Facts

- Capacity improvements are planned for Cedar Avenue (City Comprehensive Plan)
- Diffley Road is not identified as being near or over capacity (City Comprehensive Plan)
- A traffic study will be required. If Diffley cannot handle the traffic and practical improvements cannot be made, then the project cannot move forward.







#### **Schedule and Process**

Neighborhood Meeting	Comp. Plan Amendment	EAW and Traffic Study	PUD and Preliminary Plat Application	Final Plat Application	Development
Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Apr–Aug 2023	Sep-Dec 2023	Jan-Mar 2024	Summer 2024

Public Hearing





#### Questions?





#### Revised Plan – Tree Preservation







## Comprehensive Plan Goals

#### 1. Satisfy the Comprehensive Plan goals and policies including but not limited to:

- Continue to maintain a land use pattern that reflects a variety of land uses including residential neighborhoods of varying densities and housing types.
- Encourage a mix of land uses that help to maintain a strong tax base in the community
- Respect the natural environment while encouraging infill development and redevelopment
- Encourage infill residential development that preserves and enhances the vitality and character of existing neighborhoods.
- Support the needs of the aging population by locating senior housing in areas convenient to shopping, recreational opportunities and support services.
- Designate sufficient land for higher density housing to ensure that the City's goals of providing a wide variety of housing options can be attained.
- Improve pedestrian and bicycle connections between residential neighborhoods of all densities and community destinations including jobs, shopping, parks and civic facilities
- Encourage higher density housing in mixed-use areas to help meet housing needs.

