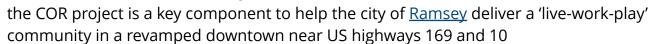


Centra Homes Breaks Ground on 40-home Development in Ramsey Minnesota

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in Ramsey as part of the city's larger COR (Center Of Ramsey) project. Centra plans to deliver the new two-story homes in 2019 as a key component of Ramsey's aggressive redevelopment effort spanning 300 acres near the Northstar Commuter Rail Station.

Dubbed the Cottages at the COR, the project focuses on executing on Ramsey city planners' goal of transit-centered, walkable urban living.

"A lifestyle offering of housing inventory is necessary for our live-work-play vision to work. It will help us grow a market for the amenities that our residents are asking for,"

said Ramsey Mayor John LeTourneau.

The project is the latest addition to the COR, joining projects already under construction including a senior housing complex and expansion of a thriving industrial park. City planners are excited to continue working with Centra to add single-family housing to the COR.

"Centra has been excellent to work with. They are a quality builder who understands the broader vision and wants to make sure their project fits," said Ramsey Community Development

Director Tim Gladhill.

Gladhill notes that the city's housing strategy was driven by listening to residents and understanding their wants and needs via community meetings.

"We had two large 'must-haves' emerge from our feedback sessions. Housing must be affordable to a demographic that already exists and meet the demand for detached town homes with low maintenance," Gladhill said.

Cottages at the COR

Sitting on just over four acres, the 40 new two-story single family homes will be located on private roads and offer two-car garages and shared services like lawn care and snow removal. The homes will be located approximately a half mile from the Northstar Commuter Rail station and situated within walking distance of trails, parks and an amphitheater. Retail shopping and other services will be located nearby.

"This project links access and amenities to an already thriving community. Ramsey city planners have been great partners and we are excited to help them realize their vision"

—Dale Wills, Centra Homes Founder and President

Affordable New Construction

The new homes are expected to be offered at a price point that will be favorable to first-time homebuyers, blended families and empty nesters. To meet the diversity of needs for these groups Centra Homes plans to offer three different floor plans. Buyers will have various options to select for each floor plan, though one item will be standard to all of the homes-- a front porch lining a public road.

"Home and neighborhood design are very important to a sense of community. The layout of homes including front porches introduces that synergy and augments walkability, a feeling of safety and better interactions." --- Tim Gladhill, Community Development Director, Ramsey Minnesota

Timing

Centra plans to work on grading this fall and begin construction in the spring 2019, with homes available in the summer. Home pricing and sales will begin in March. Interested buyers can monitor progress at the Centra Homes website.

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