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DCHA Received Four Proposals for Park Morton Redevelopment

The District of Columbia Housing Authority received four proposals to redevelop Park Morton, one of the four properties designated for revitalization under the District of Columbia's New Communities Initiative, a comprehensive public-private partnership that began in 2005 and aims to address the physical and human architecture of neighborhoods troubled by concentrations of poverty, unemployment, blight, and the deterioration of the housing stock. The District's New Communities Initiative provides capital financing to spur the renewal of both the physical and social conditions within the four designated neighborhoods.

The responsive development teams include:

- **Park Morton Partners** – A partnership between Pennrose Properties, LLC and Warrenton Group, LLC.
- **Park View Commons** – A partnership between Atlantic Pacific Communities, LLC and Non-Profit Community Development Corporation of Washington, DC, Inc.
- **Park View Partners** – A partnership between Mission First, Neighborhood Development Company, The Henson Development Company, and Urban Matters
- **Park View Community Partners** – A partnership between The Community Builders, Inc. and Dantes Partners

DCHA estimates approximately \$1.3 billion is needed to fully renovate or redevelop its existing citywide housing stock. According to the DCHA estimates, the Park Morton revitalization will be more than \$40 million. Park Morton is approximately 3.66 acres and is roughly bounded by Park Road, Warder Road, Lamont Street, and Georgia Avenue in Northwest. DCHA / DMPED will select a development team by the end of 2014.

The [**Request for Proposal on the redevelopment of Park Morton**](#), which DCHA released in March 2014, requires that developers propose a mixed-income community with a variety of townhouses and high-occupancy buildings for all incomes to ensure the neighborhood's long-term viability. The neighborhood's comprehensive redevelopment plan, passed by D.C. Council in February 2008, suggests building on the strengths of the Georgia Avenue-Petworth Metro station to create a vibrant community

with an urban park, streetscapes, a new east-west connection for Morton Road, and more retail and commercial space.

DCHA and the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED) are working together on the redevelopment and expect to select a development team by the end of 2014

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