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Dear Neighbor,

Thank you to everyone who joined us at our last meeting on April 27, 2023 where we presented and discussed the preferred concept design option for the future redevelopment of Walkling Court. The Medford Housing Authority would like to invite you to a follow-up meeting on the upcoming redevelopment of Walkling Court, a state-aided public housing property comprised of 144 units for low-income elderly/disabled households. Walkling Court was built in 1963 and suffers from critical issues related to accessibility and capital needs.

Please join us on **Thursday, July 27, 2023, at 6:30 pm at the Walkling Court Al Fondacaro Community Center**. Representatives from both the Medford Housing Authority (MHA) and Dietz & Co. Architects (Dietz) will give a short presentation showing the completed schematic design for the affordable housing development, including building facades. MHA and Dietz staff will be available to answer questions following the presentation. This will be the fifth in a series of community meetings regarding the redevelopment of Walkling Court.

About the proposed redevelopment: The existing buildings at Walkling Court require a substantial amount of capital repairs given the age of the buildings (60 years), including the complete modernization and replacement of kitchens and baths, plumbing and water lines, electrical panels and distribution lines, ventilation systems, and concrete landings and stairs, as well as structural repairs to the community center. In addition, the property does not have the accessibility features needed to adequately house a senior and/or disabled population, with half of the units accessible by stairs. Given the property's condition and lack of accessibility, MHA is pursuing a complete redevelopment of Walkling Court with the construction of elevator accessible buildings for low-income senior/disabled households and the addition of deeply affordable family housing.

We encourage you to attend the meeting to learn more about our plans and provide feedback. If you are unable to attend and would like more information, please call or e-mail Gabriel Ciccariello, Director of Modernization & Procurement at the Medford Housing Authority.

Sincerely,

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**Meeting with Abutters and
Neighbors**
**Redevelopment of Walkling
Court**
Thursday, July 27, 2023
**6:30 pm presentation
followed by Q&A**
**Walkling Court Al Fondacaro
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