

November 18, 2016

The Defend Glendale Campaign:

1. Support the Defend Glendale Option to hold MPHA accountable to fix & repair Glendale Townhomes with zero displacement, and zero privatization of Glendale Public Housing. This is the only option to preserve Glendale as public housing in Prospect Park as it is now public housing proper, not to convert Glendale to any private development, not to sell it, and not to lease it to any private developers such as Sherman Associates, etc. for profit. The Defend Glendale Option is zero displacement, and to eliminate systematic gentrification.

2. Support City Levy, State Bill Senate(SF 3127) or at the House(HF3212) authored by Senator Kari Dziedzic and House Representative Phyllis Kahn to be included in State Bonding Bill or Hennepin County housing funds to rehabilitate, fix and repair Glendale Townhomes.

3. Support Glendale Townhomes as a local historic designation. Glendale has the distinction of being one of very few low-income public housing developments build as part of middle to higher income neighborhood in Prospect Park, Minneapolis. Glendale was the first public housing built after WWII through the advocacy of Hubert Humphrey. Famous political figures and Olympian, athletes, educators and activists have grown up in Glendale. Glendale is a model that should be replicated not demolished. Therefore, Defend Glendale voted for the option that supports the historic designation, and its application process to pursue historic- designation at City of Minneapolis.

4. Support permanent-public policy, city ordinance, or state bill to protect Glendale Townhomes as public housing units, and to prohibit selling of the land to private developers for profit. Also, support to extend this permanent protection to all public housing programs and units that are at risk of being converted to private development by local public housing agencies in order to minimize displacement, homelessness, housing crisis, and gentrification in the coming decades in Minnesota.

5. Support to build more public housing units that replicate the successful model of Glendale Townhomes to stabilize, and to build close knit, safe, and healthy communities like Glendale. This does not include a section 8-voucher system, or a project based section 8 that are controlled by corporations or private landlords that put low-income families at risk and contribute to the housing crisis in Minnesota.

6. Write a letter of support for the Defend Glendale Campaign and above-mentioned Option.

Please support our option to protect our homes.

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