



## **December 2024 Glendale Resident Listening Session**

### *Location/Time:*

- December 19, 2024; Luxton Park Gym 4-6:30 PM

### *Interpretation Provided:*

- Somali, Oromo, Hmong

### *Summary Outline of Meeting:*

- MPHA discussed what they learned from Glendale residents in a 2019 listening session including: lighting, security, walkability, traffic, parking lots, health and wellness. MPHA shared how they worked to address many of the concerns and desires that came from that listening session and subsequent follow up discussions. This includes lighting improvements, HUD safety and security grants, collaboration with the City of Minneapolis's Health Department, coordination around pedestrian safety, repaved parking lots, new roofs and soffits on many of the buildings, and other improvements.
- MPHA discussed limited HUD funding for public housing and the overall needs of the agency. MPHA discussed many of its recent collaborations to increase HUD funding as well as partnering with the State, County and City to bring more funds to MPHA to address its needs. This includes resources for fire sprinklers, investments in the scattered site family housing portfolio, the comprehensive rehab of the Elliot Twins, the new 84-unit Family Housing Expansion project, and the planned comprehensive rehab of the Springs.
- MPHA stated it does not have a plan for the future of Glendale and that it wants to develop a plan together with residents. MPHA acknowledged that Glendale is important to the community and its residents. The buildings are 70 years and MPHA and the community need to start thinking of improvements.
- MPHA stated that this meeting and subsequent meetings are to better understand the needs, wants, and concerns of the Glendale Townhome Community.
- MPHA asked residents to share what they love about Glendale, don't love, what could be better, and what concerns or questions about major rehab or development residents have.
- Residents provided feedback on these topics.






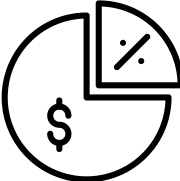
### *Meeting Materials/Handouts:*

- No handouts were provided at the meeting.

### *Meeting Notes:*

- Notes from the meeting are enclosed. These notes were provided as a handout to residents in the January 2025 meeting.

**YOUR VOICE MATTERS!**  
**HERE IS WHAT WE HEARD AT THE DECEMBER RESIDENT MEETING:**

<p align="center"><b>Likes</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feels safe</li> <li>• Close to schools, buses, train, and stores</li> <li>• Work orders are fast</li> <li>• Strong doors</li> </ul> 
<p align="center"><b>Needs</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More or bigger bathrooms</li> <li>• Better air quality</li> <li>• Air conditioning</li> <li>• Single-level units</li> <li>• Affordable rent</li> </ul> 
<p align="center"><b>What You Want</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Repairs on cabinets, plumbing, etc...</li> <li>• No evictions</li> <li>• Stay in place</li> <li>• More parking</li> </ul> 
<p align="center"><b>Resident Questions</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will someone buy Glendale?</li> <li>• How is MPHA money spent?</li> <li>• Will this be different than past projects?</li> </ul> 

**Notes from December Meeting**

**WANTS/NEEDS**

• Promised Renovation  
 Everyone to Return to their units  
 Follow through - on Repairs  
 Fix what's needs fixing  
 Don't Evict us  
 Don't ask us to move - Rent in units  
 Central Air/Air Conditioning  
 More Bathrooms  
 More Parking  
 Cabinets

**LIKES/DISLIKES**

• Nice Area  
 • Tiny Bathroom  
 • Rent increases each year  
 • Very close to transportation & schools/amenities  
 • Safe Area  
 • Train within walking distance  
 • Neighborhood has changed over time  
 • Street Door  
 • Support of MPHA response  
 • MPHA - Even with treatment & filling holes  
 • No Air Conditioning  
 • 20 kids in one bathroom  
 • Bad smell in unit  
 • Noisy - could be quiet or noisy  
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**QUESTIONS/CONCERNS**

• Losing Housing  
 Timeline  
 Concerns about prior discussions of Relocation - only a check for rent  
 Can we get upgrades without moving?  
 Disasters?  
 What will new residential mean for past tenants?  
 Will there be a transfer?  
 How will MPHA handle the transition?  
 Health & Safety  
 Does Unit 11 have the best?  
 Will there be a transfer?  
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**Moving Forward:**

- Keep talking!
- Define together, what this community can be
- Next Meeting - February 25th

**Let's Work Together!**

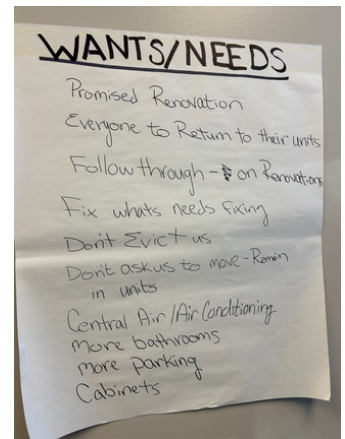
Have questions or ideas? Contact Malik Yusuf at 612-490-0022



# WRITTEN NOTES FROM DECEMBER MEETING

## WANTS/NEEDS

- Promised Renovation
- Everyone to return to their units
- Follow through on renovations
- Fix what needs fixing
- Don't evict us
- Don't ask us to move – remain in units
- Central air/air conditioning
- More bathrooms
- More parking
- Cabinets

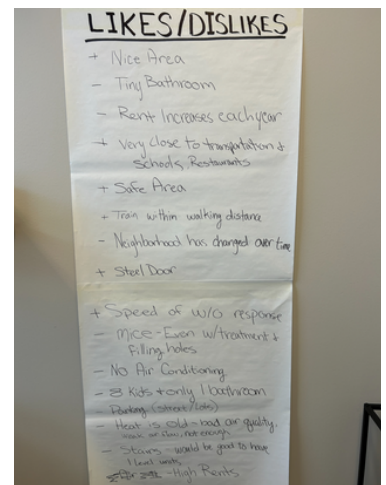


## DISLIKES

- Tiny bathroom
- Rent increases every year
- Neighborhood has changed over time
- Mice - even with treatment and filling holes
- No air conditioning
- 8 kids and only 1 bathroom
- Parking (street/lots)
- Heat is old - bad air quality, weak air flow, not enough
- Stairs - would be good to have 1 level units
- High rents

## LIKES

- Nice area
- Very close to transportation, schools, restaurants
- Safe area
- Train within walking distance
- Steel door
- Speed of work order response



## QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

- Losing housing
- Timeline
- concerns about prior discussions of redevelopment, only 2 chances for input
- Can we get upgrades without moving?
- Demolition?
- Concerns about the same thing as Sumner happening to Glendale
- Getting rid of public housing
- People did not go back to their units in Chicago
- What will new presidential mean for public housing?
- Will anyone buy Glendale?
- What is MPHA's budget?
  - Money for repairs?
- Historic Designation
- Health + Safety
- Does the U of M want this land?
- If relocated, you won't be able to come back
- Improvements are good, but we still need more

