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100 multi-family housing units coming to Beyer Blvd. Trolley Station

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San Diego - Families in South Bay will soon have more affordable housing options. The Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) Board of Directors voted to enter an agreement with Affirmed Housing Group to build 100 affordable apartments units near the Beyer Boulevard Trolley Station. This is the first MTS housing development in San Ysidro, and will be located next to the newly extended UC San Diego Blue Line connecting families to universities, hospitals, and countless places of work.

Contract terms include a 99-year lease of the land by MTS to Affirmed. Construction is estimated to begin by early 2024, and will take approximately 21 months to build.

“Building affordable housing near mass transit is critical to helping families succeed,” said Nathan Fletcher, MTS Board Chair, and Chair, San Diego County Board of Supervisors. “This development is yet another example of MTS taking leadership to address the region’s housing shortage, climate action goals, and provide working-class families more opportunities to thrive.”

The MTS Board of Directors chose Affirmed Housing Group, a leading provider of affordable housing throughout California, to begin planning and construction of the project. This transit-oriented development (TOD) will be replacing an existing MTS parking lot, and will be home to families making 30-60 percent of the area’s median income.

“Beyer is an inclusive, transit-oriented development that adds critically needed affordable apartments to San Diego’s housing inventory and raises the bar on urban livability for hardworking families and individuals,” said Jimmy Silverwood, executive vice president for Affirmed Housing. “In addition to providing beautiful, quality housing that residents can be proud to live in – coupled with extra support to help residents live their best lives – Beyer’s proximity to reliable transportation and substantial off-site amenities fosters more sustainable living and vibrancy within the local community. MTS’ leadership in addressing key social issues that impact the region has been exemplary, and we are proud to be their partner on Beyer’s development, as well as others.”

The property will feature studio, one, two and three bedroom apartments.

The Beyer Blvd. project is part of a larger effort by MTS to redevelop top-tier park and ride

locations into transit-oriented housing developments. Other properties MTS is in the process of redeveloping or actively looking to redevelop include:

- Grantville Trolley Station- 374 units
- Palm Avenue Trolley Station – 390 units
- Rancho Bernardo Transit Center – 100 estimated units
- 12th & Imperial Transit Center – 500 estimated units
- El Cajon Transit Center – 400 estimated units
- E Street Transit Center – 170-390 estimated units

A full inventory of properties can be accessed on the MTS Real Estate webpage [here](#).

MTS operates more than 100 bus routes and three Trolley lines in 10 cities and unincorporated areas of San Diego. Frequencies and spans have been restored to near-pre-COVID-19 levels. Updated schedules can be accessed on the MTS [website](#). MTS asks that people wear face coverings at all times and practice physical distancing when possible.

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