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Ocotillo Ridge Revitalizes a Vacant Space with 20 New Townhomes

ALBUQUERQUE – Today, the City's Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency (MRA) and developer Sunlight Homes celebrated the opening of Ocotillo Ridge, a transformative housing development project that breathes new life into our community. This project is yet another important step toward addressing our city's housing crisis and adding safe living options for Albuquerque families.

Ocotillo Ridge is the result of a public-private partnership between Sunlight Homes and MRA, transforming a vacant lot into 20 multi-family townhomes, and adding more vibrancy to the Highland Neighborhood. MRA helped support the project through a Redevelopment Tax Abatement valued at over \$160,000.



This project reflects Sunlight Homes' commitment to creating sustainable, inclusive communities that enhance quality of life for all residents. Sustainable features include high efficiency heat pumps, electric car charging infrastructure, low water use fixtures and Energy Star certified appliances, all resulting in a LEED Platinum certification.

"Ocotillo Ridge has truly been a labor of love for me," said **Sunlight Homes Developer and Designer, Evan Davis**. "Having grown up in the Nob Hill area, I am so grateful to be able to put my skills to use and contribute beauty and opportunity to my community. It was a goal for this project to be an example of forward-thinking, higher-density sustainable architecture, with a focus on clean design. I have poured my heart into my work at Ocotillo Ridge, and I hope it inspires others to do the same!"

"These are the types of creative projects and partnerships we need to make sure our city's housing stock continues to grow so our families can live and thrive here," said **Mayor Tim Keller**. "These thoughtfully designed townhomes not only provide comfortable living spaces, but also help create walkable, safe communities."

"Ocotillo Ridge exemplifies our agency's mission to foster economic growth and community revitalization," said **MRA Director Terry Brunner**. "By incentivizing projects like this in close proximity to parks and transit, we not only address our city's housing needs, but also create opportunities for sustainable growth, quality of life, and prosperity for community."

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The MRA's mission is to make Albuquerque competitive in the global market by revitalizing downtown and the Central Avenue corridor, which will lead to collaborative public-private partnerships resulting in catalytic change, investing in sustainable infrastructure, and providing opportunities for local residents and businesses to thrive. The MRA envisions Albuquerque as New Mexico's urban center and the Southwest's premier mid-size city, attracting economic investment and building a healthy and vibrant community that reflects diversity, innovation, rich culture, and unique history. It is a vision of a city that ensures economic prosperity for all residents and where visitors dream to return.