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Subject: Haven Green Impacts to LIRA

To LIHC Investment Group,

I write regarding Little Italy Restoration Apartments (LIRA) and the ongoing need for transparency and communication with residents concerning the proposed plans for Elizabeth Street Garden and any impact to LIRA and its residents.

LIRA, located at 21 Spring Street, lies directly adjacent to Elizabeth Street Garden, a community garden on property currently owned by the Department of Citywide Administrative Services. The proposed development on the Garden site, Haven Green, includes both building construction and open space plans that will impact residents of LIRA. While the development is currently undergoing litigation, it is crucial that residents of LIRA are kept up-to-date on how they might be directly affected by this project.

One significant impact relates to the existing private courtyard facing Elizabeth Street Garden, and its potential to be made partially public upon completion of the proposed project. It remains unclear how much, if any, of the courtyard will become publicly accessible as part of the open space plan for the Haven Green site. As an important resource to all LIRA residents, it is critical that your organization clarifies these plans, and promptly answers all questions by LIRA residents.

Therefore, I request that your organization provide clear and complete information on potential alterations to the courtyard, and answer all other questions regarding impacts to LIRA related to the proposed project. I also request that your organization provide regular updates to LIRA residents on the status of the project and if any impacts on LIRA change.

Sincerely,

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Christopher Marte
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