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Housing Authority of Savannah to Reacquire Property to Advance Community Goals

SAVANNAH, GA — The Housing Authority of Savannah (HAS) will move forward with reacquiring a parcel of property it owned that was conveyed to The Salvation Army after the organization was unable to satisfy the conditions necessary for an extension of the existing agreement.

The property, which remains undeveloped, was transferred with a shared vision of creating opportunities and resources for those in need. Recently, The Salvation Army requested an extension of the existing agreement. As part of its evaluation, HAS sought assurances that key development milestones could be achieved within a reasonable timeframe and that a clear path forward existed for the project.

While discussions were conducted in good faith, the parties were unable to establish the necessary commitments regarding HAS' development expectations. As a result, HAS determined that reacquiring the property is the most responsible course of action to ensure the site can ultimately fulfill its intended purpose and serve the needs of the community.

"Our responsibility is to be good stewards of community assets and ensure they are used in ways that create meaningful opportunities for Savannah residents," said Evette Hester, Executive Director of the Housing Authority of Savannah. "When considering the extension request, the HAS Board of Commissioners sought clear assurances that the project could move forward and achieve key development objectives. The Board explored many options and did not take this task lightly, leaving them no choice but to move forward with reacquiring the property."

The Housing Authority recognizes the ongoing need for housing opportunities and supportive services throughout Savannah and remains committed to working with community partners to identify future opportunities that will generate lasting community benefit.

"This decision is not about looking back, but about ensuring this valuable community asset can be put to productive use," added Evette Hester. "We remain focused on advancing affordable housing solutions and pursuing opportunities that strengthen neighborhoods and improve outcomes for Savannah residents."

Additional information regarding future plans for the property will be shared as it becomes available.

About the Housing Authority of Savannah

The Housing Authority of Savannah is dedicated to providing quality housing and supportive services that foster self-sufficiency, economic opportunity, and community advancement for families in Savannah.

