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To: CM - Council Communicator
Subject: Affordable Housing Plan for Veterans (women and families)

Members of Tempe City Council,

Thank you for pushing this project along. As a woman veteran—one who has had many financial struggles after leaving the Corps in 2007 and then later finding a career path helping veterans navigate their lives—there is no cause greater than providing our veterans the opportunity for affordable housing in the City of Tempe—especially the often overlooked women veterans.

I am confident that the City of Tempe is doing what is in the best interest of the project and I am thoroughly impressed with Gorman & Co. Inc.'s proposed plan and their record as it relates to these endeavors. The fact that ACMF and Save the Family is involved makes the project even more community driven.

I recognize that there will be those in the veteran community that may even try to block this or contest this option because they have a selfish interest rate to cash in on but at the end of the day I want the project to continue to move forward. Although I am not a Tempe resident—I serve the city of Tempe by way of my role at ASU and I work as a committee member on the Tempe Veterans Commission. I am very excited about this project and want to express my sincerest thanks to the City of Tempe for recognizing the importance, the need, and the benefits that will come from completing this project. The sooner we get started, the sooner our women veterans and their families will have a community to call home.

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