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Affordable rental housing supported with innovative land offering

WHITEHORSE—Energy, Mines and Resources Minister Brad Cathers today announced the tender of Lot 262, an undeveloped 4.2 hectare (10.4 acres) parcel located at the intersection of Range Road and Mountain View Drive, to support the development of new affordable housing in Whitehorse.

“The Yukon government is delivering on our commitment to work with the private sector to address the need for more affordable housing,” Cathers said. “With the release of Lot 262, we are moving quickly to make land available to the private sector so that new affordable rental accommodation will be developed.”

“A number of options for the release of Lot 262 have been explored and this innovative approach demonstrates our commitment to work with the private sector and make more affordable housing available to Yukoners,” Cathers added.

With the site already designated residential urban infill in the City’s Official Community Plan (OCP), the tender provides a unique opportunity for experienced developers and the City of Whitehorse to implement a development plan as supported by the OCP.

Options for the tender and release of this land included the review and incorporation of the many industry recommendations and suggestions received through the government’s request for expressions of interest initiated in November 2011. The tender package will contain a requirement that the successful bidder build at least 30 affordable rental units.

The tender packages for Lot 262 will be available online and at the Energy, Mines and Resources Land Management Branch at 10 a.m. on March 26. The deadline for submitting tenders is April 27.

For more information call 867-667-5215 or toll-free 1-800-661-0408, extension, 5215 or visit the Lands Office online.

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