

### THE ERNESTINA

I-195 DISTRICT COMMISSION PRESENTATION - PARCEL 9

**SEPTEMBER 23, 2020** 





### WEACHIEVE OUR MISSION THROUGH

- Robust Housing Development and Quality Real Estate Management
- Addressing Root Causes of Health Disparities
- Embracing Innovation and Building the Community Development Field





# RESULTS

- 462 rental apartments
- I 30 for-sale homes
- 60,000 square feet of commercial space
- \$131 MM investment in RI

### **EXPERIENCED**

# Best positioned to access sources in Rhode Island

- Navigate unpredictable times 2010 credit and foreclosure crisis, 2020 pandemic
- Proven, local team
- Complex and fluid capital sources
- Authentic community engagement









COUNSELORS AT LAW

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A Development and Community Planning Consulting Firm







# KING STREET COMMONS

62 apartments 8500sf commercial space \$17.2 million project Broke ground April 2020



# **AMHERST GARDENS**

36 apartments
1600sf commercial space
\$10.5 million project
Completed October 2017

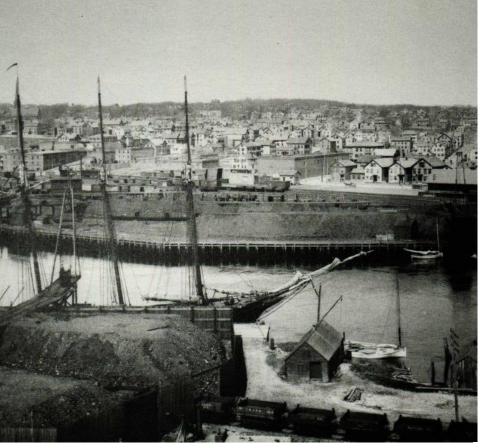




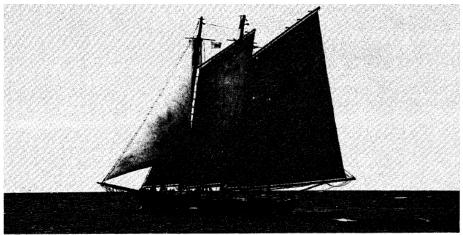
# **DESIGN INNOVATIONS**

- Passive-House Certified
- Modular Construction









Until 1965 the famous Cape Verdean packes ship Ernestina plied besween the islands and Providence with passengers and cargo.

# THE ERNESTINA



ONE NEIGHBORHOOD BUILDERS - HOME | HEALTH | OPPORTUNITY

# MIXED-INCOME & MIXED-USE

58 apartments

\$22.7 million development at Parcel 9

50% affordable (<\$40,000 for two people), 30% workforce (<\$80,000 for two people), 20% market-rate

32 one-bedrooms, 21 two-bedrooms, 5 three-bedrooms

8,500 sf childcare center; Children's Friend

32 parking spaces on-site and 30 leased across the street



# FINANCIAL FEASIBILITY

- Maximizes points for 9%LIHTC
- Margin for increasing revenue with market-rate units
- Economic activity and job creation
- Long-term commercial tenant







#### TRANSITIONAL DESIGN

- Community input and design revisions are ongoing
- Honors maritime heritage and Cape Verdean history
- Bridge the scale between South Water Street and Wickenden Street
- Maximizes density
- Does not add surface parking
- Meeting room open to the community
- Evaluating Passive-House certification







#### **COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

- Senator Gayle Goldin
- Representative Chris Blazejewski
- Providence Councilman John Goncalves
- Michael Sabitoni, RI Building Trades Council
- Rhode Island LISC
- Rhode Island Housing

- Fox Point Neighborhood Association
- Downtown Neighborhood Association
- Historical Preservation and Heritage
   Commission
- Buff Chace, Cornish Associates
- Chris Tully, RBC Capital
- Mary Thompson, Bank of America