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Press Release

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WHARF STREET REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT: TOWN OF BLUFFTON

FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER HOMEOWNERSHIP PRESENTATIONS

BLUFFTON, SC, JANUARY 10, 2012: THE TOWN OF BLUFFTON IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER HOMEOWNERSHIP PRESENTATIONS FOR HOMES RECENTLY CONSTRUCTED AS PART OF THE WHARF STREET REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY JANUARY 14 AND SATURDAY JANUARY 28, FROM 10:00AM-12:00PM, AT THE ROTARY COMMUNITY CENTER. THE ROTARY COMMUNITY CENTER IS LOCATED IN THE OSCAR FRAZIER PARK AT: 11 RECREATION COURT, BLUFFTON, SC 29910.

THE TOWN OF BLUFFTON FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER HOMEOWNERSHIP PRESENTATIONS ARE BEING HELD FOR POTENTIAL FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYERS INTERESTED IN PURCHASING ONE OF THE 6 HOMES LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF WHARF STREET AND ROBERTSON STREET IN THE OLD TOWN BLUFFTON HISTORIC DISTRICT. THE PRESENTATIONS WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE 6 AVAILABLE HOMES, THE HOMEBUYER QUALIFICATION PROCESS, AS WELL AS OTHER DETAILS ABOUT THE TOWN

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OF BLUFFTON HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM. HOMEBUYER APPLICATIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE PRESENTATIONS AND ARE ALSO AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- WWW.TOWNOFBLUFFTON.SC.GOV;
- TOWN OF BLUFFTON TOWN HALL LOCATED AT THE THEODORE D. WASHINGTON MUNICIPAL BUILDING AT 20 BRIDGE STREET;
- TOWN OF BLUFFTON LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER LOCATED AT BUCKWALTER PLACE AT 101 PROGRESSIVE STREET; AND
- BLUFFTON LIBRARY LOCATED AT BLUFFTON VILLAGE AT 120 PALMETTO WAY.

MARC ORLANDO, DIRECTOR OF GROWTH MANAGEMENT, ENCOURAGES POTENTIAL FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYERS IN THE GREATER BLUFFTON COMMUNITY TO ATTEND A PRESENTATION. "WE ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE THIS PROJECT WITH THE COMMUNITY AND ENCOURAGE ANYONE WHO HAS AN INTEREST IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT OWNING ONE OF THESE HOMES TO ATTEND A PRESENTATION, AS WELL AS VISIT THE TOWN WEBSITE AT WWW.TOWNOFBLUFFTON.SC.GOV FOR MORE INFORMATION."

THE WHARF STREET REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT IS LOCATED IN THE HEART OF THE OLD TOWN BLUFFTON HISTORIC DISTRICT AT THE CORNER OF WHARF STREET AND ROBERTSON STREET. SOME OF THE PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- THE DEMOLITION OF 2 VACANT, BLIGHTED STRUCTURES AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF 6 AFFORDABLE, GREEN COTTAGES ON 0.52 ACRES;
- COTTAGE SIZES RANGE FROM 330-1,155 HEATED SQUARE FEET AND INCLUDE 1, 2, AND 3 BEDROOM FLOORPLANS;
- GREEN ELEMENTS INSTALLED THROUGHOUT THE HOMES INCLUDE ENERGY STAR FIXTURES AND APPLIANCES, LOW FLOW FAUCETS, GAS TANKLESS WATER HEATERS, GREEN GUARD CERTIFIED CARPET, RECYCLED MATERIALS, EXTRA INSULATION, AND LOW VOC PAINT;
- EDIBLE LANDSCAPES PROVIDED FOR EACH HOME;
- WATER NEUTRAL SITE FEATURES SUCH AS PERVIOUS PARKING AND SIDEWALKS, AS WELL AS RAIN BARRELS AND RAIN GARDENS PROVIDE ON-SITE STORMWATER MANAGEMENT; AND
- HOMES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE TO FAMILIES THAT MAKE LESS THAN 80% OF THE BEAUFORT COUNTY AREA MEDIAN INCOME.

PLEASE CONTACT SHIRLEY WILKINS, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT, AT (843) 706-4524 OR swilkins@townofbluffton.com WITH ANY QUESTIONS.

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