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## Dakota County Community Development Agency kicks-off redevelopment of former Delta Data Center site in Eagan

On September 25, the Dakota County Community Development Agency (CDA) and City of Eagan kicked-off the redevelopment at the former Delta Data Center site located at 1500 Towerview Road.

The Dakota County CDA acquired the 39-acre site in June 2024. It includes an approximately 335,000 sq. ft. vacant office building and 2,200 sq. ft. generator building. The building was constructed in 1982 as a semi-conductor manufacturing facility on the 212-acre Sperry Univac campus. The facility was in operation until the early 1990s when it was purchased by Northwest Airlines for a data and operations center. The building has sat vacant for the last few years.

The CDA purchased the site for \$6,250,000 to clean it up and work with the City of Eagan on redevelopment plans that will include CDA affordable housing and selling off excess land for other approved uses.

"This project is part of a larger strategy," said Eagan Mayor Mike Maguire. "Across Eagan, we're working to repurpose and redevelop underutilized commercial and office spaces into new developments that better serve today's needs. By doing so, we ensure Eagan continues to be a vibrant, welcoming, and sustainable city."

In July 2025, the CDA Board authorized a contract with Rachel Contracting for abatement and demolition of the buildings, including site grading and removal of underground tanks. The contract cost is \$1,867,581.

"The CDA is no stranger to redevelopment. The agency has been cleaning up sites for the past five decades, but this is by far the largest site we've taken on," said CDA Board Chair Commissioner Joe Atkins. "All the more reason to be excited to get this building down to transform the site into the city's vision and to get more affordable housing for our seniors and families built."

In 2022, the Eagan City Council identified this site and the surrounding properties as an area of opportunity and directed staff to initiate a visioning process to gather community input on future redevelopment. The approved Northwest Central Commons Small Area Plan calls for a wide variety of housing types and densities and for new neighborhoods to be closely connected to Eagan Central Park and nearby commercial areas.

"Eagan has been a phenomenal partner in the entire housing continuum," said CDA and County Commissioner Laurie Halverson. "This is a site with a lot of possibility. I truly believe that people should be able to work where they live. Affordable workforce housing in the city of Eagan is part of the economic development and the economic promise of this community."

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LINK TO VIDEO: Delta Data Center Site Redevelopment Kick Off Event - September 25, 2025

LINK TO PHOTOS: Delta Site Event Photos 9/25/2025