

John Pennycuff Apartments at Robert Castillo Plaza



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Top L+ Mid : View from Milwaukee Avenue

Top R: Interior View



Media Link:

<https://www.nbcchicago.com/news/local/low-cost-housing-complex-dedicated-to-lgbt-residents-to-open/2037290/>

<https://abc7chicago.com/realestate/housing-project-in-logan-square-honors-lgbtq-activist-john-pennycuff/3644040/>

Project Data:

Building type
Residential-Multi-family
Sustainability/LEED
Chicago Sustainable Development Program Certified

Location
Chicago IL

Site Area
13,987.4 sf

Project Area
69,905 sf

Client
Metropolitan Housing Development Corporation w/ City of Chicago & Chicago Housing Authority

Completion Year
October 2020

Construction Cost

\$ 17.42 Million

Client Satisfaction through Design Excellence

Context: The City of Chicago and Alderman Joe Moreno's office have envisaged this affordable housing project in concert with Metropolitan Housing Development Corporation have undertaken this project on a prime location of Milwaukee Avenue.

Concept: The project envisages retail and community space at the street level on Milwaukee Avenue and a mix of studio one and two bedrooms units on floors 2 through 7. Given the trapezoidal corner, the building utilizes the street potential to the fullest, with large expansive storefronts. The upper levels clad in brick veneer provide for generous quantum's of light and ventilation. Given the developers aesthetic preferences, facade expression simultaneously captures the sentiment of the Chicago frame while simultaneously making a conscious attempt to make affordable housing seem generous in all respects. Multiple units take advantage of corner conditions thereby emphasizing the sense of openness.

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Intent & Recognition: NBC News, ABC News, Chicago Architecture Magazine (CAF)

Top L: View from SW corner of Milwaukee Ave.

Top R: View from Campbell Ave

Bottom L: Plan

Bottom R: Interior View

Team

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