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Township Nine in the River District proclaimed shining example of public private partnership and bright spot for Sacramento

As construction of light rail tracks between downtown and Richards Boulevard chugs away, and backhoes and bulldozers demolish aged, rusty warehouses, the noise apparently reached Washington D.C.

As [Township Nine](#)'s developer, a subsidiary of the [Nehemiah Corporation of America](#), quietly plans a groundbreaking of 191 affordable housing units just west of north 7th Street later this year, the project already shared the stage with Sprint/Nextel, a Texas developer and a Schnectedy, New York water agency recently at the U. S. Conference of Mayors. As outstanding achievement award recipients, all were deemed success stories on a national scale for being able to work side by side with cities to get their projects off the ground.

Township Nine is a 65-acre, urban scale, mixed use, transit-oriented master planned neighborhood consisting of 2,350 total dwelling units, 800,000 square feet of office space, 150,000 square feet of ground floor retail, 20+ acres of open space and a light rail station.

The City secured \$30 million from the California Department of Housing and Community Development and worked with the developer to establish new urban design guidelines and ordinances specific to its American River Parkway location. A portion of the public funds will pay for the light rail station. Regional Transit expects to be ready for passengers on [the Green Line](#) by this summer.

“One of the goals of our city is to pursue economic recovery and prosperity – specifically developing strategies to bring businesses into the downtown core. Township Nine is an early example of what can be achieved by a successful public-private partnership,” said Mayor Johnson.

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“The River District is extremely pleased to have an award winning project within our area. We’re glad to see Township Nine recognized on a national platform for the smart-growth innovation it represents,” said Patty Kleinknecht, Executive Director of [The River District](#).

“This latest award for Township Nine reinforces Mayor Johnson’s and the City’s approach to smart-growth projects, that will transform Sacramento and help revitalize our economy,” added Scott Syphax, President & CEO of the Nehemiah Corporation of America, one of the largest minority community development organizations in the nation.

Read more [about the achievement awards](#).

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