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Dear resident/owner,

The Trott-Downer Cabins Are Returning to the Miners Field Neighborhood

This summer, the two historic Trott-Downer Cabins will return to Lee Avenue on a City-owned site south of Miners Field (see map on the reverse side of this letter). Work will commence the week of July 26, 2021 to prepare the site for the delivery of the Cabins. You are receiving this advance notice as a resident of the Miners Field Neighborhood.

The site preparation and cabin relocation work is being carried out by Wattle & Daub Contractors and may involve some lane and street closures on Lee Avenue. The 200 square foot Cabins will arrive on two trucks and be unloaded by a crane. Please visit LouisvilleCO.gov/Museum/Cabins for more information.

Starting in 2022, the Museum will offer walking tours from the Museum to the Cabins and hold occasional open house events. This project is made possible by Louisville's Historic Preservation Fund.

Trott-Downer Cabins: Historical Significance

Built in the late 1930s by the Trott family and subsequently owned and managed by Marjorie Downer, these and other cabins in a "cottage camp" were rented out to individuals, couples, and families for several decades until the 1960s. Consisting of just two rooms each, the Cabins represent Louisville's working class culture and modest lifestyle of those decades.

In response to community input, the City of Louisville moved and stored the Cabins in 2018 in order to save and preserve them. In 2019, they were designated as a Louisville Local Landmark.

If you have any questions, please contact me by phone at 303-335-4848 or email bridgetb@louisvilleco.gov. Thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation.

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Miners Field Neighborhood Map Showing Original Location and Approximate New Location of the Trott-Downer Cabins: