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**GRANDVILLE EAST APARTMENTS GETS ONE MILLION
DOLLAR “EXTREME MAKEOVER.”**

What was once Grandville East Apartments is now “Weathervane Condominiums” as part of its own “extreme makeover.” Local developers are transforming the former Grandville East Apartment complex on Chicago Drive in Grandville. The 36 unit apartment complex that had become neglected and run down is now being creatively transformed into 36 modern and affordable condominium units. The renovations alone will come with a price tag of just over one million dollars for developers. Future residents will see that the transformation of these apartments to condominiums has included improvements both inside and out. These improvements include new siding and roof, all new landscaping and even larger private decks and patios. Additional improvements include new carpeting, fresh paint and new cabinets and appliances. It is a total makeover of television show proportions. The first model unit is scheduled to open this week.

Development partner Brice Bossardet of Virgin Soil Development, LLC has deep roots in the Grandville community. Bossardet states, “Grandville is where I grew up, where I went to school and played high school athletics.” He goes on, “It is a great community and it is rewarding to assist in making a positive affordable project for people to invest in the area. It has really been a fulfilling experience for me.”

City officials are overwhelmingly pleased with the upgrade to the area. The condominiums not only increase the tax base for the city, but it is also the hope of the developer to increase the quality of life for many current and future Grandville residents. It is a win-win situation for both the city and home-buyers because it offers an option for affordable housing in the award winning Grandville school system. Bossardet states “First time home buyers often fall in the \$100,000 or below range and this development is their only current option for a newly renovated condo.”

The condominiums are being marketed by Axis Realty (616) 454-5900. The two bedroom units will retail in the upper \$80,000 range, making home ownership more affordable to renting for many. Local banks have partnered with the developers to make payments, including association fees, with no money down and less than \$800 a month.

For more information you can visit the location at 2950 – 2990 Chicago Drive SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49418. Or contact Brice Bossardet (616) 437-1147 or Scott Miedema (616) 560-6706.

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