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## **Viking Construction wins 11th Excellence in Construction Award**

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Bridgeport, CT Viking Construction has received its 11th Excellence in Construction Award from the Associated Builders and Contractors of Connecticut. The award recognizes Viking's work as general contractor on the \$34 million Willow Creek residential project in Hartford. Viking received the honor virtually at the CT-ABC's annual Excellence in Construction award event held October 22nd.

The project is part of a multi-phase effort underway in Hartford's Willow Creek Community (former Bowles Park public apartments). For this project, Viking worked to transform the dilapidated 1950's-era complex into a charming and attractive community of porched homes and buildings that blend into the adjacent Blue Hills neighborhood. Viking's work included demolition of the existing housing structures, comprehensive sitework on the 61-acre parcel, street redesign, construction of 29 separate buildings (housing 109 apartment homes and a 5,000 s/f community center), and landscaping. Viking also added a cantilevered solar panel canopy over parking areas to provide renewable energy for the community center. As with all projects, Viking minimized construction waste and used green building materials throughout the process.

"We are particularly inspired by these types of construction projects as they are contributing to a better quality of life for so many families – and are helping to redefine entire neighborhoods," said Anthony Gaglio, Sr., president of Viking Construction. "This is our eleventh Excellence in Construction award given to us by the ABC of Connecticut and we appreciate the recognition they afford the entire construction industry."

CT-ABC's annual competition is judged by an independent panel of architects, engineers and university professionals who evaluate the quality and client satisfaction of each project. Judges also pay particular attention to the rigorous safety standards of each contractor.

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