



**For Immediate Release**

**Elm Real Estate Group, LLC Closes Construction Financing for The Westermark in Houston, TX**

**Houston, TX – April 2026:** Elm Real Estate Group, LLC, an affiliate of KCG Companies, LLC, has closed construction financing for The Westermark, a 165-unit Class A multifamily development in Houston, Texas, adjacent to Sugar Land, Texas.

Wintrust Commercial Real Estate provided the construction loan, and Fundrise invested as the preferred equity partner. Patterson Real Estate Advisory Group advised Elm on the capital raise.

The Westermark will be developed on approximately five acres and will consist of two five-story, elevator-served residential buildings in a surface-parked configuration. The project will offer a mix of studio, one-, two-, and three-bedroom units. Amenities will include a pool deck, fitness center, coworking space, resident lounge, and outdoor gathering areas.

The area constitutes one of Houston's strongest suburban submarkets, supported by above-average household incomes, population growth, and access to major employment centers, including Downtown Houston, the Texas Medical Center, and the Galleria area. The Westermark will deliver new institutional-quality rental housing in a submarket that has seen limited recent multifamily development and is within the well-regarded Fort Bend Independent School District.

"The Westermark reflects our conviction in high-quality suburban housing in markets with durable fundamentals," said Brian Villa, Chief Investment Officer of Elm. "We appreciate the partnership of Wintrust, Fundrise, and Patterson in bringing this project to fruition."



### **About Elm Real Estate Group, LLC**

Elm Real Estate Group, LLC was formed to redefine access to modern apartment living in cities of all sizes across the nation. Elm's leadership team brings decades of experience building quality multifamily housing developments, and is dedicated to creating communities that epitomize elegance, comfort, and sophistication. By prioritizing exceptional craftsmanship, innovative design, and high-touch amenities, Elm aims to set a new industry standard for excellence in multifamily living that embraces and welcomes everyone.

Through the development and operation of each community, Elm focuses on maximizing environmental, social, and financial returns for our residents and partners. The Elm team has successfully planned, developed, rehabilitated, built, and managed many types of communities including mixed-use, transit-oriented, green building, historic rehabilitations, senior, and both market-rate and workforce housing.

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### **About Fundrise**

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Wintrust Commercial Real Estate is a prominent financial institution based in the Chicago metropolitan area, known for its community-focused banking services. Established in 1991, Wintrust has grown significantly, offering a comprehensive range of financial products and services, including personal and business banking, wealth management, and mortgage lending. The bank distinguishes itself through a commitment to personalized customer service, fostering long-term relationships with its clients. Wintrust's expansive network of community banks operates under a decentralized model, allowing each location to cater to the unique needs of its local community. This approach has enabled Wintrust to maintain a strong local presence while achieving substantial growth and financial stability.

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### **About Patterson Real Estate Advisory Group**

Patterson Real Estate Advisory Group is a capital placement and real estate finance advisory firm that represents owners, developers and investors seeking capital to leverage commercial real estate opportunities. Patterson arranges construction, bridge, mezzanine, and permanent financing while also coordinating equity and joint venture formations along with general finance advisory work. The primary focus is helping clients across different property types access investors at a variety of different levels of the capital stack, matching the specific need with the appropriate capital provider. Patterson has office locations in Atlanta, Charleston, Charlotte, Dallas, Nashville, and Tampa.

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