

## **Phase 4 - Inspection**

**Hello, NCAD members and Friends of NC Deaf Community. Me James Wilson again. I really appreciate you watching my videos regarding Tillinghast Place Apartments. Going through finger-listing for five phases, Phase One completed, Phase Two completed, Phase Three completed, now Phase Four, what? Inspection, next on Phase Five soon. Inspection takes place to inspect the new development like Tillinghast Place to ensure the foundation, roof and everything to meet code requirements for safety and accessibility. The specific focus of inspection was the light system, to make sure fire safety operates properly, same as doorbell lights and the rest of light systems. That time of inspection took pretty much for the day. Upon completion, I had to wait for the inspection report. Once I received it, the report took me by profound surprise. It showed a satisfaction rating of 99.7 out of 100%. The whole time of inspection, I was nervous about potential findings of construction errors but I was relieved with the 99.7 rating. (Pause)**

**I wanted to take the opportunity to thank those who contributed to the success of the inspection, using 3 finger-listing. First, I already mentioned Tommy Donnelly for his knowledge, experience and expertise helping with input and we learned a lot from him. We did reach out to Ohio School for the Deaf Alumni Association that owned a property very much similar to Tillinghast Place and operated by their contracted housing services management. They helped by sharing their experience, especially about building/accessibility codes. Now third on the finger-listing, equally important, that time while I was employed by DSDHH under Dr. Frank Turk as the Director. At that time DSDHH had three affairs, Education Affairs, Community Affairs and Early Childhood Intervention Program. Dr. Turk used some of his 4% discretionary fund to pay several employees, including myself, to Sioux Falls, South Dakota to learn about their services. They had two properties, similar to Community**

**Activity/Service Centers that were completely owned by South Dakota Association of the Deaf, one in Sioux Falls and the other was in Rapid City, four hours west of Sioux Falls. All those three I mentioned really helped with the success of inspection. (Pause)**

**Having to deal with Inspection, that was one of my most relieved experiences I ever had. Even more thrilled with the report showing 99.7 rating. Now I close this video message but the next video on Phase Five will cover Closing Costs and Certificate of Occupancy. Please stay tuned and thank you for watching me again!!**