

Textile Mill Has New Residential Life In Glastonbury

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Wethersfield developer Martin Kenney is ready to take the wraps off his latest housing project — 55 luxury apartments in a converted Glastonbury textile mill.

The \$12 million Addison Mill Apartments, 64 Addison Road, off Hebron Avenue, has leased 22 of the units with floor plans ranging from one-bedroom studio to two-bedroom units and rents from \$850 to \$2,800 a month.

Kenney, who two years ago opened his \$40 million Trumbull Centre commercial and 100-unit Trumbull On The Park apartment complex on Trumbull Street in downtown Hartford, said Addison Mill adds to a Glastonbury housing market that until now has lacked upscale rentals.

“There’s a lot more people renting these days,” he said. The property is marketed at young and middle-aged adults.

When Addison Mill hit the drawing boards in 2004, Kenney planned it as condominiums. But that concept was shelved once the housing market hit the skids, he said.

Entrepreneur Addison Clark opened his Glastonbury Knitting Co. mill in the early 19th century, producing wool “long john” underwear first for Union soldiers and, later, GIs in World War I, according to the property’s Web site. After changing hands several times, the mill by the late 1950s was being used primarily for storage.

In the last decade, the mill had fallen heavily into disrepair. The worst sections were demolished to make way for an extensive renovation of the rest of the building and its nearby dam, Kenny said.

“This has been one of the most challenging and most rewarding things I’ve ever been involved in,” he said.

An open house is set for Sept. 9.



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Glastonbury's Addison Mill luxury apartments have expanded the town's offering of upscale housing.