CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Project Staff Report 2008 Waiting List Project October 9, 2008

Project Number CA-2008-192

Project Name Jackson Hills Apartments
Site Address: 300 New York Ranch Road

Jackson, CA 95642 County: Amador

Census Tract: 402.00

Applicant Information

Applicant: Jackson Preservation Limited Partnership

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General Partners Type: Joint Venture

Information

Set-Aside: At-Risk Housing Type: At-Risk Geographic Area: N/A

Eligible Basis

Requested: \$13,120,882 Actual: \$13,120,882 Maximum Permitted: \$16,001,078

Adjustments to Threshold Basis Limit: Required to Pay Prevailing Wages ⊠ Seismic Upgrading ⊠ 3 or More Energy Efficiency/Resource Conservation/Indoor Air Quality Features ⊠

Tax Credit AmountsFederal/AnnualState/TotalRequested:\$753,385\$2,817,546Recommended:\$753,385\$2,817,546

Project Information

Construction Type: Acquisition and Rehabilitation

Federal Subsidy: HUD Section 8

Total # of Units: 86 Total # Residential Buildings: 11

Income/Rent Targeting

Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%
% & No. of Tax Credit Units: 100% - 85 units

Breakdown by %: 10% @ 30%, 15% @ 45%, 50% @ 50%

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Selection Criteria	Max. Possible Points	Requested Points	Points Awarded
Cost Efficiency/Credit Reduction/Public Funds Maximum 20 points	20	20	20
	18	18	18
☐ Credit Reduction	20	2	2
Owner / Management Characteristics Maximum 9 points	9	9	9
General Partner Experience	6	6	6
Management Experience	3	3	3
Negative Points			
Housing Needs Maximum 10 points	10	10	10
Site Amenities Maximum 15 points	15	15	15
Within 500 feet of a regular bus stop or rapid transit system stop	4	4	4
Within ¼ mile of public park or community center open to general public	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of public library	2	2	2
Within ½ mile of a full-scale grocery store w/staples/fresh meat/produce	3	3	3
Senior project within ¼ mile of daily operated senior center or facility for seniors	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of medical clinic or hospital	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of a pharmacy	1	1	1
Service Amenities Maximum 10 points	10	10	10
Educational classes (e.g. ESL, Computer training, etc. and aren't same as After School)	5	5	5
Bona fide service coordinator available	5	5	5
Sustainable Building Methods Maximum 8 points	8	8	8
Energy star rated ceiling fans in bedroom/living room; whole house fan; economizer	2	2	2
Flow restrictors for kitchen & bath faucets or water-saving fixtures	1	1	1
Minimum 1 High Efficiency Toilet (1.3 gpf) or dual flush	2	2	2
Formaldehyde free cabinets, countertops and shelving	1	1	1
No-VOC interior paint	1	1	1
☐ CRI Green-label, low-VOC carpet and pad	1	1	1
Lowest Income Maximum 52 points	52	52	52
■ Basic Targeting	50	50	50
Deeper Targeting – at least 10% of units @ 30% AMI or less	2	2	2
Readiness to Proceed Maximum 20 points	20	20	20
State credit substitution Maximum 2 points	2	2	2
Total Points	146	146	146

Tie-Breaker Information

Tie-Breaker Categories Apply to this Project: Yes

First: Housing Type At-Risk

Second: Calculated Ratio per Regulation 10325(c)(12) 104.830%

2008 Rents for 2^{nd} Round 2008

Unit Type & Number		% of Area Median Income	Proposed Rent	
			(including utilities)	
6	One-bedroom Units	30%	\$375	
13	One-bedroom Units	45%	\$563	
43	One-bedroom Units	50%	\$625	
3	Two-bedroom Units	30%	\$450	
20	Two-bedroom Units	60%	\$900	
1	Two-bedroom Unit	Manager's Unit	\$811	

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The general partners or principal owners are Jackson Preservation Partners LLC and LINC Housing Corporation.

The project developer is Preservation Partners Development III, L.P.

The management agent is Preservation Partners Management.

The market analyst is Dennis B. Cunningham, MAI.

The Local Reviewing Agency has not yet completed a site review of this project. Any negative comments in the LRA report will cause this staff report to be revised to reflect such comments.

Project Financing

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$14,862,342 Per Unit Cost: \$172,818 Construction Cost Per Sq. Foot: \$88

Construction Financing

Permanent Financing

Source	Amount	Source	Amount
US Bank	\$5,350,000	US Bank	\$5,350,000
Deferred Fees	\$397,886	Deferred Fees	\$397,886
Income from Operations	\$160,500	Income from Operations	\$160,500
Investor Equity	\$8,953,956	Investor Equity	\$8,953,956
		TOTAL	\$14,862,342

Determination of Credit Amount(s)

Requested Eligible Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$6,878,426
Requested Eligible Basis (Acquisition):	\$6,242,456
130% High Cost Adjustment:	No
Applicable Fraction:	100%
Qualified Basis Credit Reduction (2%)	\$262,418
Qualified Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$6,740,857
Applicable Rate:	8.00%
Qualified Basis (Acquisition):	\$6,117,607
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$753,385
Total State Credit:	\$2,817,546
Approved Developer Fee in Project Cost	\$1,400,000
Approved Developer Fee in Eligible Basis:	\$1,085,588
Tax Credit Factor: Merritt Community Capital	\$0.865

Applicant requests and staff recommends annual federal credits of \$753,385 and total state credits of \$2,817,546, based on a qualified rehabilitation basis of \$6,740,857, a qualified acquisition basis of \$6,117,607, and a funding shortfall of \$8,953,956.

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Cost Analysis and Line Item Review

The requested eligible basis \$13,120,882 is below TCAC's threshold basis limit \$16,001,078. The basis limit was increased by the following extraordinary features: projects that are required to pay state or federal prevailing wages, projects requiring seismic upgrading of existing structures, and/or requiring toxic or other environmental mitigation as certified by the project architect, and the adjustment for projects with 3 or more energy efficiency/resource conservation/indoor air quality items for using natural linoleum/ceramic tile/natural rubber for all kitchens and bathrooms where no VOC adhesives or backing is used, using CRI Green Label Plus Carpet or no carpet in all bedrooms, and using vent kitchen range hoods to the exterior of the building in at least 80% of the units. Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC's underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations.

Annual operating expenses equals the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations, and the project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one.

Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 8.00% of the qualified basis, or, in the case of acquisition Credit or Credit combined with federal subsidies, 3.50%. Applicants are cautioned to consider the expected federal rate when negotiating with investors. TCAC's financial evaluation at project completion will determine the final allocation.

Special Issues/Other Significant Information: This is an at-risk senior project with a project-based HUD Section 8 contract covering 100% (85 units) of the low-income units.

Legal Status: Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed that raised any question regarding the financial viability or legal integrity of the applicant.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Committee make a preliminary reservation of tax credits, in the following amount(s) contingent upon standard conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Committee:

Federal/Annual \$753,385

State/Total \$2,817,546

Standard Conditions

An application for a carryover allocation must be submitted by October 31, 2008, as required by regulation section 10328(d), together with the applicable allocation fee and all required documentation. The time for meeting the "10%" test and submitting related documentation will be no later than twelve (12) months after the date of the executed carryover allocation (as defined by IRC Section 42 and IRS Notices). The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements for the housing type of the proposed project.

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Final Reservation no later than February 1 of the year that the building(s) must be placed in service pursuant to Section 42(h)(1)(E)(i) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The applicant shall provide the Committee a Final Reservation application providing the documentation for the project set forth in Section 10322(i)(1) of these regulations. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

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TCAC makes the preliminary reservation only for the project specified above in the form presented, and involving the parties referred to in the application. No changes in the development team or the project as presented will be permitted without the express approval of TCAC.

The applicant must pay TCAC a performance deposit and allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. The performance deposit must be paid by cashier's check within 20 calendar days of any preliminary reservation. The allocation fee must be paid within a time period specified in the preliminary reservation letter. The allocation fee will be due prior to execution of a carryover allocation or issuance of tax forms, whichever comes first. Additionally, TCAC requires the project owner to pay a monitoring fee before issuance of tax forms.

As project costs are preliminary estimates only, staff recommends that a reservation be made in the amount of federal credit and state credit shown above on condition that the final project costs be supported by itemized lender approved costs and certified costs after the buildings are placed in service.

All unexpended funds in reserve accounts established for the project must remain with the project to be used for the benefit of the property and/or its residents, except for the portion of any accounts funded with deferred developer fees.

All fees charged to the project must be within TCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by TCAC at placed-in-service.

Credit awards are contingent upon applicant's acceptance of any revised total project cost, qualified basis and tax credit amount determined by TCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

If points were awarded for service amenities, the applicant will be required to provide such amenity or amenities identified in the application, for a minimum period of ten years and at no cost to the tenants.

Applicants that received points for sustainable building methods (energy efficiency) must submit the certification required by Section 10325(c)(8) at project completion.

Applicants that received increases (exceptions to limits) in the threshold basis limit under Section 10327(c)(5) must submit the certification required by Section 10322(i)(2)(P) at project completion.

Additional Conditions

Applicants that received 20 points for readiness to proceed must meet ALL of the following requirements. The applicant must be ready to begin construction within 150 days of the Credit Reservation which is March 10, 2009, as evidenced by submission, within that time of, recorded deeds of trust for all construction financing, payment of all construction lender fees, issuance of building permits and notice to proceed delivered to the contractor. Failure to meet this timeline will result in rescission of the Credit Reservation.

Project Analyst: Jack Waegell