#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

# Project Staff Report Tax-Exempt Bond Project November 17, 2010

Project Number CA-2010-834

Project Name Bellwood Park Apartments

Site Address: 385 Bell Ave.

Sacramento 95838 County: Sacramento

Census Tract: 67.010

Tax Credit Amounts Federal/Annual State/Total

Requested: \$260,554 \$0 Recommended: \$260,554 \$0

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: Bellwood Jerron Holdings, LLC

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General partner(s) or principal owner(s): Bellwood Jerron Holdings, LLC

Western Community Housing, Inc

General Partner Type: Joint Venture

Developer: Wasatch Advantage Group
Investor/Consultant: Redstone Equity Partners
Management Agent: Wasatch Property Management

**Project Information** 

Construction Type: #N/A Total # Residential Buildings: 17 Total # of Units: 76

No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 75 100% Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60% Test Federal Subsidy: Tax Exempt

HCD MHP Funding: No 55-Year Use/Affordability: Yes

Number of Units @ or below 50% of area median income: 16 Number of Units @ or below 60% of area median income: 59

Information

Housing Type: Non-Targeted

Geographic Area: Capitol and Northern Region

TCAC Project Analyst: Nicola Hil

**Bond Information** 

Issuer: CalHFA

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Expected Date of Issuance: 12/1/2010 Credit Enhancement: None

### **Unit Mix**

56 2-Bedroom Units 20 3-Bedroom Units 76 Total Units

	2010 Rents Targeted %	2010 Rents Actual % of Area Median	Proposed Rent (including
Unit Type & Number	of Area Median Income	Income	utilities)
12 2 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$822
4 3 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$950
43 2 Bedrooms	60%	54%	\$890
16 3 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$1,140
1 2 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$830

### **Project Financing**

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$9,005,126 Construction Cost Per Square Foot: \$18

Per Unit Cost: \$118,489

Construction Financing			Permanent Financing	
Source	Amount		Source	Amount
Prudential		\$7,129,140	Prudential	\$7,129,140
Tax Credit Equity		\$1,875,986	Tax Credit Equity	\$1,875,986
			TOTAL	\$9.005.126

#### **Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$2,052,107	
130% High Cost Adjustment:	No	
Requested Eligible Basis (Acquisition):	\$5,612,000	
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%	
Qualified Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$2,052,107	
Qualified Basis (Acquisition):	\$5,612,000	
Applicable Rate:	3.40%	
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Rehabilitation:	\$69,746	
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Acquisition:	\$190,808	
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$260,554	
Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost and Eligible B	asis): \$999,666	
Investor/Consultant:	Redstone Equity Partners	
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.72000	

Per Regulation Section 10322(i)(4)(A), The "as if vacant" land value and the existing improvement value established at application, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, will be used during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits.

Per Regulation Section 10327(c)(2)(C), Once established at the initial funded application, the developer fee cannot be increased, but may be decreased, in the event of a modification in basis.

#### **Eligible Basis and Basis Limit**

Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis: \$7,664,107 Actual Eligible Basis: \$7,664,107 Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$17,952,000 Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$21,721,920

## **Adjustments to Basis Limit:**

55-Year Use/Affordability Restriction – 1% for Each 1% of Low-Income Units are Income Targeted between 50% AMI & 36% AMI: 21%

## Cost Analysis and Line Item Review

Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC's underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations. Annual operating are below the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations and a waiver has been requested. The project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one. Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 3.40% of the qualified basis. Unless the applicant fixed the rate at bond issuance, the Federal Rate applicable to the month the project is placed-in-service will be used to determine the final allocation.

**Special Issues/Other Significant Information:** Per section 10237(g)(1) of TCAC regulations The Executive Director may, in his/her sole discretion, utilize operating expenses up to 15% less than required in this subsection for underwriting when the equity investor and the permanent lender are in place and provide evidence that they have agreed to such lesser operating expenses. The necessary information was provided and the waiver has been granted.

## **Local Reviewing Agency:**

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.

**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 Tax Credits/Annual State Tax Credits/Total \$260,554 \$0

#### **Standard Conditions**

If applicant is receiving tax-exempt bond financing from other than CalHFA, the applicant shall apply for a bond allocation from the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee's next scheduled meeting, if not previously granted an allocation; shall have received an allocation from CDLAC; and, shall issue bonds within time limits specified by CDLAC.

The applicant anticipates financing more than 50% of the project aggregate basis with tax-exempt bond proceeds as calculated by the project tax professional. Therefore, the federal credit reserved for this project will not count against the annual ceiling.

The IRS has advised TCAC that the amount of tax-exempt bonds issued, equivalent to at least 50% of aggregate basis, must remain in place through the first year of the credit period or until eligible basis is finally determined.

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 an allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. 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.

**Additional Conditions:** The applicant/owner is required to provide the tenants with after school programs and educational classes free of charge for a minimum of ten (10) years in accordance with the bond allocation from CDLAC. These services may be changed to meet the needs of the tenants upon prior approval from CDLAC and

The applicant/owner is required to complete the following Sustainable Building Methods in accordance with the bond allocation from CDLAC and provide the applicable certifications and documentation when the placed-inservice application is submitted: the architect has certified that the project will reduce energy use on a per square foot basis by 25% as calculated using a methodology approved by the California Energy Commission.