#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

# Project Staff Report Tax-Exempt Bond Project October 10, 2012

Project Number CA-12-874

**Project Name** 9th & Broadway

Site Address: Southeast Corner of 9th Street & Broadway

San Diego, CA 92101 County: San Diego

Census Tract: 52.000

Tax Credit AmountsFederal/AnnualState/TotalRequested:\$1,493,447\$0Recommended:\$1,493,447\$0

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: BRIDGE Housing Corporation

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General partner(s) or principal owner(s): BRIDGE SC, LLC

General Partner Type: Nonprofit

Developer: BRIDGE Housing Corporation

Consultant: Community Economics

Management Agent: BRIDGE Property Management Company

## **Project Information**

Construction Type: New Construction

Total # Residential Buildings: 1
Total # of Units: 121

No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 120 100% Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60% Federal Subsidy: Tax-Exempt

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

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

## **Bond Information**

Issuer: Housing Authority of the City of San Diego

Expected Date of Issuance: December 10, 2012

Credit Enhancement: N/A

## **Information**

Housing Type: Non-Targeted Geographic Area: San Diego County TCAC Project Analyst: DC Navarrette

## **Unit Mix**

60 SRO/Studio Units 61 1-Bedroom Units 121 Total Units

	2012 Rents Targeted % of Area Median	2012 Rents Actual % of Area Median	Proposed Rent (including
Unit Type & Number	Income	Income	utilities)
49 SRO/Studio	50%	40%	\$563
11 SRO/Studio	50%	47%	\$656
60 1 Bedroom	60%	60%	\$899
1 1 Bedroom	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0

Project Financing
Estimated Total Project Cost: \$39,667,667 Estimated Residential Project Cost: \$39,667,667

## Residential

Construction Cost Per Square Foot: \$214 Per Unit Cost: \$327,832

## **Construction Financing**

Source	Amount
US Bank	\$22,000,000
City of San Diego	\$13,354,494
Land Donation	\$1,851,537
Tax Credit Equity	\$600,000

## **Permanent Financing**

	0
Source	Amount
US Bank	\$1,595,000
City of San Diego	\$19,080,747
Land Donation	\$1,851,537
Photovoltaic Credit Equity	\$110,118
Deferred Developer Fee	\$700,000
Tax Credit Equity	\$16,330,265
TOTAL	\$39,667,667

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

Requested Eligible Basis: \$35,900,181 130% High Cost Adjustment: Yes Applicable Fraction: 100.00% **Qualified Basis:** \$46,670,235 Applicable Rate: 3.20% Maximum Annual Federal Credit: \$1,493,447 Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis): \$2,500,000 Consultant: **Community Economics** Federal Tax Credit Factor: \$1.09346

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: \$35,900,181 Actual Eligible Basis: \$35,900,181 Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$24,664,233 Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$38,237,135

## **Adjustments to Basis Limit:**

Local Development Impact Fees

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

## **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 expenses exceed 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 3.20% of the qualified basis. 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:** The applicant requested and was granted a waiver to use fiberglass faced doors in replacement of the requirements described in TCAC regulation section 10325(f)(7)(e).

#### **Local Reviewing Agency:**

The Local Reviewing Agency, the San Diego Housing Commission, has completed a site review of this project and strongly supports this project.

**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 \$1,493,447 State Tax Credits/Total \$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 a reservation 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 complete the following sustainable building methods in accordance with the bond allocation from CDLAC and provide the applicable certifications and documentation when the TCAC placed-in-service application is submitted:

- The project commits to becoming certified under the following program: Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED)
- The project commits to build the development 17.5% above Title 24 standards.
- The project commits to build the development to the requirements of LEED Silver.