

CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE
Project Staff Report
2012 First Round
July 11, 2012

Project Number CA-12-042

Project Name Riverview Terrace Apartments
 Site Address: 1933 Erin Drive
 Needles, CA 92363 County: San Bernardino
 Census Tract: 107.000

Tax Credit Amounts	Federal/Annual	State/Total
Requested:	\$403,112	\$0
Recommended:	\$403,112	\$0

Applicant Information

Applicant: Highland Property Development, LLC
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General partner(s) or principal owner(s): HPD Riverview Terrace LLC
 MHDC CA MGP, LLC

General Partner Type: Joint Venture
 Developer: Highland Property Development
 Investor/Consultant: Boston Financial Investment Management
 Management Agent: AWI Management Corporation

Project Information

Construction Type: Acquisition & Rehabilitation
 Total # Residential Buildings: 14
 Total # of Units: 60
 No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 58 100%
 Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%
 Federal Subsidy: USDA Section RHS 515 and 521 (58 units - 100%)
 Affordability Breakdown by Units and % (Lowest Income Points):

30% AMI:	6	10 %
45% AMI:	15	25 %
50% AMI:	24	40 %

Information

Set-Aside: Rural
 Housing Type: At-Risk
 Geographic Area: N/A
 TCAC Project Analyst: Nicola Hil

Unit Mix

20 1-Bedroom Units
 40 2-Bedroom Units

 60 Total Units

<u>Unit Type & Number</u>	<u>2012 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>2012 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>Proposed Rent (including utilities)</u>
2 1 Bedroom	30%	29%	\$368
5 1 Bedroom	45%	38%	\$477
8 1 Bedroom	50%	38%	\$477
5 1 Bedroom	60%	38%	\$477
4 2 Bedrooms	30%	29%	\$442
10 2 Bedrooms	45%	40%	\$597
16 2 Bedrooms	50%	40%	\$597
8 2 Bedrooms	60%	40%	\$597
2 2 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0

Project Financing

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$6,148,431 Construction Cost Per Square Foot: \$65
 Per Unit Cost: \$102,474

Construction Financing		Permanent Financing	
<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
JP Morgan Chase Bank	\$1,200,000	JP Morgan Chase Bank	\$1,000,000
USDA - Rural Development	\$1,466,808	USDA Rural Development	\$1,466,808
Boston Capital	\$2,782,219	Deferred Developer Fee	\$53,618
		Tax Credit Equity	\$3,628,005
		TOTAL	\$6,148,431

Determination of Credit Amount(s)

Requested Eligible Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$3,445,745
130% High Cost Adjustment:	Yes
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$4,479,469
Applicable Rate:	9.00%
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Rehabilitation:	\$403,112
Approved Developer Fee in Project Cost:	\$752,604
Approved Developer Fee in Eligible Basis:	\$550,498
Investor/Consultant:	Boston Financial Investment Management
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.90000
State Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.00000

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:	\$3,445,745
Actual Eligible Basis:	\$5,567,865
Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$10,863,360
Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$10,863,360

Adjustments to Basis Limit: None

Tie-Breaker Information

First:	At-Risk
Second:	44.330%

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 meet 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 9.00% of the qualified basis, or, in the case of acquisition credit or credit combined with federal subsidies, 3.20%. 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 project Sources and Uses includes the value of the purchase price in total project costs rather than the appraised value, which is the lesser of the two values. TCAC revised the project financing accordingly in the Staff Report to meet the requirements of Section 10327(c)(7) of the TCAC Regulations.

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.

Local Reviewing Agency:

The Local Reviewing Agency, City of Needles, has completed a site review of this project and takes no position on 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	State Tax Credits/Total
\$403,112	\$0

Standard Conditions

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Carryover Allocation, any Readiness to Proceed Requirements elected, and a Final Reservation. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

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. 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.

The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements of the proposed project. 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)(6) 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) at project completion.

Additional Conditions: None

Points System	Max. Possible Points	Requested Points	Points Awarded
Cost Efficiency / Credit Reduction / Public Funds	20	20	20
Cost Efficiency	20	2	2
Public Funds	20	18	18
Owner / Management Characteristics	9	9	9
General Partner Experience	6	6	6
Management Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs	10	10	10
Site Amenities	15	15	15
Within 1/4 mile of regular bus stop (or dial-a-ride service for rural set-aside)	4	4	4
Within 1/2 mile of public park or community center open to general public	3	3	3
Within 1/2 mile of public library	3	3	3
Within 3 miles of a full-scale grocery/supermarket of at least 25,000 sf	3	3	3
Within 1 mile of medical clinic or hospital	3	3	3
Within 1/2 mile of a pharmacy	2	2	1
Service Amenities	10	10	10
LARGE FAMILY, SENIOR, AT-RISK HOUSING TYPES			
Service Coordinator, minimum ratio of 1 FTE to 600 bedrooms	5	5	5
Health & wellness services and programs, minimum 100 hrs per 100 bdms	5	5	5
Sustainable Building Methods	10	10	10
REHABILITATION			
Rehabilitate to improve energy efficiency (change in HERS II rating): 30%	10	10	10
Lowest Income	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	20	20	20
Miscellaneous Federal and State Policies	2	2	2
State Credit Substitution	2	2	2
Total Points	148	148	148

Please Note: If more than the maximum Site Amenity points were requested, not all amenities may have been scored and/or verified.

DO NOT RELY ON SCORING IN THIS COMPETITIVE CYCLE FOR FUTURE APPLICATIONS. ALL RE-APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED WITHOUT RELIANCE ON PAST SCORING.