

CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE
Project Staff Report
Tax-Exempt Bond Project
December 16, 2015

Duetta Apartment Homes, located between Stylus Street, Solstace Avenue, BRT Guideway, and Orion Boulevard in Chula Vista, requested and is being recommended for a reservation of \$1,295,857 in annual federal tax credits to finance the new construction of 86 units of housing serving tenants with rents affordable to households earning 50-60% of area median income (AMI). The project will be developed by Chelsea Investment Corporation and will be located in Senate District 40 and Assembly District 79.

Project Number CA-15-942

Project Name Duetta Apartment Homes
Site Address: Bounded By Stylus St., Solstace Ave., BRT Guideway, and Orion Blvd.
Chula Vista, CA 91915 County: San Diego
Census Tract: 133.140

Tax Credit Amounts	Federal/Annual	State/Total
Requested:	\$1,295,857	\$0
Recommended:	\$1,295,857	\$0

Applicant Information

Applicant: F Street Family CIC, LP
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General Partner(s) or Principal Owner(s): CIC F Street Family
Pacific Southwest Community Development Corp.
General Partner Type: Joint Venture
Parent Company(ies): Chelsea Investment Corporation
Pacific Southwest Community Development Corp.
Developer: Chelsea Investment Corporation
Investor/Consultant: Raymond James
Management Agent: CIC Management, Inc.

Project Information

Construction Type: New Construction
 Total # Residential Buildings: 1
 Total # of Units: 87
 No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 86 100.00%
 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: 9
 Number of Units @ or below 60% of area median income: 77

Bond Information

Issuer: City of Chula Vista
 Expected Date of Issuance: February 1, 2016
 Credit Enhancement: N/A

Information

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

Unit Mix

25 1-Bedroom Units
 35 2-Bedroom Units
27 3-Bedroom Units
 87 Total Units

<u>Unit Type & Number</u>	<u>2015 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>2015 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>Proposed Rent (including utilities)</u>
23 1 Bedroom	60%	60%	\$911
2 1 Bedroom	50%	50%	\$759
31 2 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$1,093
4 2 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$911
23 3 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$1,263
3 3 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$1,053
1 3 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0

Project Cost Summary at Application

Land and Acquisition	\$4,832,590
Construction Costs	\$15,607,011
Rehabilitation Costs	\$0
Construction Contingency	\$681,832
Relocation	\$0
Architectural/Engineering	\$642,500
Construction Interest, Perm Financing	\$1,879,390
Legal Fees, Appraisals	\$157,500
Reserves	\$227,110
Other Costs	\$4,692,812
Developer Fee	\$2,500,000
Commercial Costs	\$0
Total	\$31,220,744

Project Financing

Estimated Total Project Cost:	\$31,220,744
Estimated Residential Project Cost:	\$31,220,744

Residential

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$195
Per Unit Cost:	\$358,859

Construction Financing

Source	Amount
Citibank	\$18,675,000
Citibank Subordinate Loan	\$725,000
City of Chula Vista	\$2,975,514
Accrued Interest	\$292,804
Master Developer Loan	\$4,832,589
Deferred Fees and Costs	\$2,084,288
Tax Credit Equity	\$1,635,550

Permanent Financing

Source	Amount
Citibank	\$6,949,328
Citibank Subordinate Loan	\$725,000
CIC Opportunities Bond	\$860,000
City of Chula Vista	\$2,975,514
Accrued Interest	\$292,804
Master Developer Loan	\$4,832,589
Deferred Developer Fee	\$590,254
Tax Credit Equity	\$13,995,256
TOTAL	\$31,220,744

Determination of Credit Amount(s)

Requested Eligible Basis:	\$30,206,466
130% High Cost Adjustment:	Yes
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis:	\$39,268,405
Applicable Rate:	3.30%
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$1,295,857
Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis):	\$2,500,000
Investor/Consultant:	Raymond James
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$1.08000

Per Regulation Section 10322(h)(9)(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:	\$30,206,466
Actual Eligible Basis:	\$30,206,466
Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$26,507,666
Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$35,446,878

Adjustments to Basis Limit

- Parking Beneath Residential Units or On-Site Parking Structure of Two or More Levels
- Local Development Impact Fees
- 95% of Upper Floor Units are Elevator-Serviced
- 55-Year Use/Affordability Restriction – 1% for Each 1% of Low-Income Units are Income Targeted between 50% AMI & 36% AMI: 10%

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 3.30% 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: None.

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
\$1,295,857	\$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: None.