# THE CALIFORNIA DEBT LIMIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE May 15, 2019 Staff Report REQUEST FOR A QUALIFIED PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND ALLOCATION FOR A MORTGAGE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Prepared by: Ruben Barcelo City and County of San Francisco **Applicant: Contact Information:** Name: Jeanne Lu Address: 1 South Van Ness Avenue, 5th Floor San Francisco, CA 94103 **Phone:** (415) 701-5548 **Allocation Amount Requested:** \$5,875,018 **Converted MCC Authority:** \$1,468,755 **Applicant's Fair Share Amount:** \$5,875,018 **Converted MCC Authority:** \$1,468,755 **Participating Jurisdictions:** City and County of San Francisco **Allocation Information:** Date MCCs will be advertised: June 14, 2019 **Expected issue date of first MCC:** September 12, 2019 **Program Status:** Existing **Certificate tax credit rate:** 15% Type of housing units to be assisted/average mortgage amount: New construction units: 16 units (49%) with an average mortgage amount of \$250,000 Existing resale units: 17 units (51%) with an average mortgage amount of \$350,000 Rehabilitated units: 0 units (0%) with an average mortgage amount of \$000,000 Total units: 33 units with and average mortgage amount of \$300,845 The above numbers of units are: X Estimates Actual requirements imposed by the Issuer **Past Performance:** The application indicates the applicant met the 2018 minimum performance requirement that at least 40% of the program participants are lower-income households or located in a Qualified Census Tract. The application indicates the applicant expects to meet the 2019 minimum performance requirement that at least 40% of program participants will be lower-income households.

#### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the Committee approve an amount of \$5,875,018 in tax-exempt bond allocation to the City and County of San Francisco for the Mortgage Credit Certificate Program. This is the Applicant's 2019 fair share amount.

### **DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROGRAM:**

- *Population to be served by the proposed Program (family size, income levels, etc.):* According to the Applicant, the proposed Program expects to serve all ethnic groups and family sizes with a minimum of 40% of the households at or below 80% of the median income adjusted by household size.
- Estimated number of first-time homebuyers to be assisted: 33
- Housing stock to be purchased (types, unit sizes, etc.):

According to the Applicant, the housing stock to be purchased will consist of approximately 32 condominiums ranging in size from 1 to 3 bedrooms with 1 or 2 bathrooms. The approximate average sales price is expected to be \$450,000 for existing units and \$350,000 for new units.

- *Specific reservations of MCCs for purposes such as low-income targeting, new construction, etc.:* According to the Applicant, the program will reserve at least 20% of the certificates for federally designated target areas and at least 40% of the MCCs for families with incomes at or below 80% of the area median income adjusted for family size.
- *Expected duration MCCs will be available and anticipated monthly rate of issuance.:* According to the Applicant, MCCs are expected to be available for 6 months and the anticipated monthly rate of issuance is between 5 and 10 MCCs per month.
- Other homebuyers assistance programs offered by participating jurisdiction(s):

According to the Applicant, the City's Single Family Homeownership program includes other essential components, including the Downpayment Assistance Loan Program (DALP), the Homeownership Assistance Loan Fund, the San Francisco Unified School District Teachers Next Door fund, and the First Responders DALP program. Of the MCCs awarded in 2016, 2017 and 2018, 70% of the applicant households received downpayment assistance.

# **PURCHASE PRICE INFORMATION:**

# The proposed maximum limits are:

Unit Type	Average Area	Non-Target Area Max	Target Area Max
	Purchase Price*	Purchase Price	Purchase Price
New Units	\$743,248	\$668,923	\$817,573
Existing Units	\$743,248	\$668,923	\$817,573

\*This is established by (check one):

X IRS Safe Harbor limitations As determined by special survey

#### Expected average sales prices of the estimated units to be assisted:

New Units	\$350,000
Existing Units	\$450,000
Rehabilitated Units	Not Applicable

### **MAXIMUM INCOME LIMITATIONS:**

Area median income on which maximum program limits are based: \$155,464

#### Applicable standard that defines the area median income:

HUD statewide median HUD county MSA median

X Local median as determined by a special study

### **Percent of MCCs reserved for IRS-designated target areas in the jurisdiction(s):** 40%

### **Proposed maximum income limits:**

Household Size	Non-Target Area	Target Area
1-2 persons	\$155,464	\$175,920
3+ persons	\$178,784	\$205,240

# **DESCRIPTION OF PUBLIC BENEFITS:**

#### **Past Program Performance:**

Year	Amount of Allocation	Amount of Allocation Used	Number of MCCs Issued	Outstanding MCC Authority
2016	\$8,829,698	\$8,829,623	61	\$19
2017	\$5,518,810	\$5,452,073	32	\$16,684
2018	\$5,556,364	\$4,470,721	27	\$271,411

Pursuant to Section 5269 of the CDLAC Regulations, the Applicant has:

- 1 Demonstrated that no Mortgage Credit Certificate authority from the year two years prior to the current year has been unused (other than minor amounts not to exceed \$1 million); and
- 2 Certified that any Mortgage Credit Certificate authority remaining from the year prior to the current year will be used before the use of new Mortgage Credit Certificate Authority.