#### THE CALIFORNIA DEBT LIMIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

## September 16, 2020 Staff Report

# REQUEST FOR A QUALIFIED PRIVATE ACTIVITY BOND ALLOCATION FOR A QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROJECT

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Applicant: City of Los Angeles

**Allocation Amount Requested:** 

**Tax-exempt:** \$13,000,000

**Project Information:** 

Name: Mariposa Lily

Project Address: 1055 South Mariposa Avenue
Project City, County, Zip Code: Los Angeles, Los Angeles, 90006

**Project Sponsor Information:** 

Name: Mariposa Lily, L.P. (West Hollywood Community Housing

Corporation & Mariposa Lily LLC )

**Principals:** Jesse Slansky for West Hollywood Community Housing

Corporation & Mariposa Lily LLC

Property Management Company: Barker Management Incorporated

**Project Financing Information:** 

**Bond Counsel:** Kutak Rock LLP

**Private Placement Purchaser:** Bank of America, N.A.

**Cash Flow Permanent Bond:** Not Applicable

**Public Sale:** Not Applicable **Underwriter:** Not Applicable

Credit Enhancement Provider: Not Applicable

Rating: Not Applicable

**Description of Proposed Project:** 

State Ceiling Pool: General Total Number of Units: 41

Manager's Units: 1 Unrestricted

**Type:** New Construction

**Population Served:** Family

Mariposa Lily Apartments is a new construction project located in Los Angeles on a .27-acre site. The project consists of 40 restricted rental units and 1 unrestricted manager unit. The project will have 10 studios, 15 one-bedroom units, 11 two-bedroom units and 5 three-bedroom units. The building will be 5 stories standard construction with a subterranean garage. Common amenities include secured vehicular entrance, secured entrance intercom system, laundry facilities, management offices and bike parking. Each unit will have energy efficient appliances, full bathroom and a private balcony. The project will be pursuing LEED Gold certification. Green features include CalGreen and Title 24 standards, low-flow plumbing, drought tolerant and native planting for landscaping. The construction is expected to begin March 2021 and be completed in October 2022.

### **Description of Public Benefits:**

Percent of Restricted Rental Units in the Project: 100%

50% (20 units) restricted to 50% or less of area median income households.
50% (20 units) restricted to 60% or less of area median income households.

**Unit Mix:** Studio, 1, 2 & 3 bedrooms

The proposed project will be receiving service amenity points.

#### **Term of Restrictions:**

**Income and Rent Restrictions:** 55 years

## **Details of Project Financing:**

| <b>Estimated Total Development Cost:</b> | \$ | 25,477,548 |
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Estimated Hard Costs per Unit: \$ 333,104 (\$13,657,250 /41 units including mgr. units)

Estimated per Unit Cost: \$ 621,404 (\$25,477,548 /41 units including mgr. units)

Allocation per Unit: \$ 317,073 (\$13,000,000 /41 units including mgr. units)

**Allocation per Restricted Rental Unit:** \$ 325,000 (\$13,000,000 /40 restricted units)

| <b>Sources of Funds:</b> | Construction Permaner |            | Permanent |            |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| Tax-Exempt Bond Proceeds | \$                    | 13,000,000 | \$        | 4,400,000  |
| LIH Tax Credit Equity    | \$                    | 1,333,143  | \$        | 9,411,487  |
| Developer Equity         | \$                    | 441,393    | \$        | 441,393    |
| Deferred Developer Fee   | \$                    | 0          | \$        | 814,668    |
| Deferred Costs           | \$                    | 2,263,012  | \$        | 0          |
| HCID HHH                 | \$                    | 3,800,000  | \$        | 5,120,000  |
| LACDA NPLH               | \$                    | 4,640,000  | \$        | 4,690,000  |
| FHLBSF AHP               | \$                    | 0          | \$        | 600,000    |
| Total Sources            | \$                    | 25,477,548 | \$        | 25,477,548 |

# **Uses of Funds:**

| Land Cost/Acquisition                             | \$<br>425,000    |
|---|------------------|
| New Construction                                  | \$<br>14,749,830 |
| Contractor Overhead & Profit                      | \$<br>1,092,580  |
| Architectural Fees                                | \$<br>580,000    |
| Survey and Engineering                            | \$<br>400,000    |
| Construction Interest and Fees                    | \$<br>1,865,136  |
| Permanent Financing                               | \$<br>78,500     |
| Legal Fees  | \$<br>150,000    |
| Reserves  | \$<br>419,047    |
| Appraisal   | \$<br>15,000     |
| Hard Cost Contingency                             | \$<br>1,584,246  |
| Local Development Impact Fees                     | \$<br>157,950    |
| Other Project Costs (Soft Costs, Marketing, etc.) | \$<br>1,132,909  |
| Developer Costs                                   | \$<br>2,827,350  |
| Total Uses  | \$<br>25,477,548 |

### **Analyst Comments:**

This project is considered a high cost per unit project. The development budget includes costs for fully furnishing those 20 units at \$3,000 per homeless unit, which increases the development costs. High construction cost environment. Constraints specific to this site include the project location, requiring the building to be built to the height of 6 stories. Political and community parking concerns required the provision of parking for employees and some family units. When you exclude the apartment furnishings for units targeted at the homeless, the capitalized transition reserve, contributed developer fee, commercial prevailing wage, Type I/Type III construction technique, partially-underground parking, and GP Capital Contribution portion of the developer fee, residential cost per unit is reduced to \$497,566.

#### **Legal Questionnaire:**

The Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the application. No information was disclosed to question the financial viability or legal integrity of the Applicant.

#### **Total Points:**

out of 145 [See Attachment A]

#### **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends that the Committee approves \$13,000,000 in tax-exempt bond allocation on a carryforward basis.

# ATTACHMENT A

# **EVALUATION SCORING:**

| Point Criteria   | Maximum Points<br>Allowed for Non-<br>Mixed Income<br>Projects | Maximum Points Allowed for Mixed Income Projects | Points Scored |
|--|--|--|---------------|
| Preservation Project   | 20   | 20   | 0             |
| Exceeding Minimum Income Restrictions:   | 35   | 15   | 35            |
| Exceeding Minimum Rent Restrictions  [Allowed if 10 pts not awarded above in Preservation Project] | [10]   | [10]   | 10            |
| Large Family Units   | 5  | 5  | 0             |
| Gross Rents  | 5  | 5  | 5             |
| Leveraging   | 10   | 10   | 10            |
| Community Revitalization Area  | 5  | 5  | 5             |
| Site Amenities   | 10   | 10   | 10            |
| Service Amenities  | 10   | 10   | 10            |
| New Construction or Substantial Renovation   | 10   | 10   | 10            |
| Sustainable Building Methods   | 10   | 10   | 10            |
| Forgone Eligible Developer Fee<br>(Competitive Allocation Process Only)                            | 10   | 10   | 10            |
| Minimum Term of Restrictions<br>(Competitive Allocation Process Only)                              | 10   | 10   | 10            |
| Negative Points (No Maximum)   | -10  | -10  | 0             |
| Total Points   | 145  | 125  | 125           |