

**CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE**

**Project Staff Report**

**Tax-Exempt Bond Project**

**January 16, 2019**

Bernal Dwellings, located at 3138 Kamille Courte in San Francisco, requested and is being recommended for a reservation of \$3,222,121 in annual federal tax credits to finance the acquisition and rehabilitation of 159 units of housing serving large families with rents affordable to households earning 50-80% of area median income (AMI). The project will be developed by McCormack Baron Salazar and is located in Senate District 11 and Assembly District 17.

Bernal Dwellings is a re-syndication of an existing Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) project, Bernal Dwellings Apartments (CA-2003-814). See **Resyndication and Resyndication Transfer Event** below for additional information. The project will be receiving rental assistance in the form of HUD Section 8 Project-based Vouchers and HUD RAD project-based Vouchers. The project financing includes state funding from the MHSA through CalHFA.

**Project Number** CA-19-404

**Project Name** Bernal Dwellings  
**Site Address:** 3138 Kamille Court  
San Francisco, CA 94110 County: San Francisco  
**Census Tract:** 229.01

<b>Tax Credit Amounts</b>	<b>Federal/Annual</b>	<b>State/Total</b>
Requested:	\$3,222,121	\$0
Recommended:	\$3,222,121	\$0

**Applicant Information**

**Applicant:** Bernal Homes, L.P.  
**Contact:** Pauline Ul  
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**General Partner(s) or Principal Owner(s):** Bernal Homes MBS GP, Inc.  
San Francisco Housing Development Corporation

**General Partner Type:** Joint Venture

**Parent Company(ies):** MBA Properties, Inc.  
San Francisco Housing Development Corporation

**Developer:** McCormack Baron Salazar

**Investor/Consultant:** Wells Fargo

**Management Agent:** McCormack Baron Management, Inc.

**Project Information**

Construction Type: Acquisition & Rehabilitation  
Total # Residential Buildings: 17  
Total # of Units: 160  
No. / % of Low Income Units: 159 100.00%  
Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60% Average Income  
Federal Subsidy: Tax-Exempt / HUD Section 8 Project Based Vouchers (106 units - 67%) /  
HUD RAD Section 8 Project Based Vouchers (53 units - 33%)

**Bond Information**

Issuer: CalHFA  
Expected Date of Issuance: April 15, 2018

**Information**

Housing Type: Large Family  
Geographic Area: San Francisco County  
TCAC Project Analyst: Marlene McDonough

**55-Year Use / Affordability**

<b>Aggregate Targeting Number of Units</b>	<b>Percentage of Affordable Units</b>
At or Below 50% AMI: 35	22%
At or Below 60% AMI: 120	75%
At or Below 80% AMI: 4	3%

**Unit Mix**

3 1-Bedroom Units
85 2-Bedroom Units
70 3-Bedroom Units
<u>2 4-Bedroom Units</u>
160 Total Units

<u>Unit Type &amp; Number</u>	<u>2018 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>2018 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>Proposed Rent (including utilities)</u>
16 2 Bedrooms	50%	29%	\$949
13 3 Bedrooms	50%	34%	\$1,281
2 1 Bedroom	60%	27%	\$747
46 2 Bedrooms	60%	29%	\$949
25 3 Bedrooms	60%	34%	\$1,281
1 4 Bedrooms	60%	37%	\$1,554
1 2 Bedrooms	80%	29%	\$949
2 3 Bedrooms	80%	34%	\$1,281
1 1 Bedroom	50%	50%	\$1,375
3 2 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$1,650
1 3 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$1,906
1 4 Bedrooms	50%	50%	\$2,126
19 2 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$1,980
27 3 Bedrooms	60%	60%	\$2,287
1 3 Bedrooms	80%	80%	\$3,050
1 3 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0

TCAC-confirmed Projected Lifetime Rent Benefit: \$277,580,160

**Project Cost Summary at Application**

Land and Acquisition	\$35,250,000
Construction Costs	\$0
Rehabilitation Costs	\$34,537,420
Construction Contingency	\$3,454,000
Relocation	\$0
Architectural/Engineering	\$1,391,000
Const. Interest, Perm. Financing	\$5,305,528
Legal Fees, Appraisals	\$370,000
Reserves	\$1,882,900
Other Costs	\$7,358,372
Developer Fee	\$6,000,000
Commercial Costs	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$95,549,220</b>

**Residential**

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$204
Per Unit Cost:	\$597,183
True Cash Per Unit Cost*:	\$484,259

<b>Construction Financing</b>		<b>Permanent Financing</b>	
<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Chase	\$50,000,000	CalHFA	\$22,500,000
Seller Carryback Loan	\$14,667,833	CalHFA Subordinate Loan	\$2,500,000
SFHA Resubordinated Loan	\$20,582,167	Seller Carryback Loan	\$14,667,833
General Partner Contribution	\$220	SFHA Resubordinated Loan	\$20,582,167
Tax Credit Equity	\$3,991,000	Deferred Developer Fee	\$3,400,000
		General Partner Equity	\$220
		Tax Credit Equity	\$31,899,000
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$95,549,220</b>

\*Less Fee Waivers, Seller Carryback Loans, and Deferred Developer Fee

**Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$48,957,959
130% High Cost Adjustment:	Yes
Requested Eligible Basis (Acquisition):	\$34,900,000
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$63,645,346
Qualified Basis (Acquisition):	\$34,900,000
Applicable Rate:	3.27%
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Rehabilitation:	\$2,080,891
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Acquisition:	\$1,141,230
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$3,222,121
Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis):	\$6,000,000
Investor/Consultant:	Wells Fargo
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.99000

Except as allowed for projects basing cost on assumed third party debt, the “as if vacant” land value and the existing improvement value established at application for all projects, as well as the eligible basis amount derived from those values, shall not increase during all subsequent reviews including the placed in service review, for the purpose of determining the final award of Tax Credits. The sum of the third party debt encumbering the property may increase during subsequent reviews to reflect the actual amount.

**Eligible Basis and Basis Limit**

Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis:	\$83,857,959
Actual Eligible Basis:	\$83,857,959
Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$94,288,036
Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$133,889,011

**Adjustments to Basis Limit**

Required to Pay State or Federal Prevailing Wages/Financed by labor-affiliated organization employing construction workers paid at least state or federal prevailing wages

55-Year Use/Affordability Restriction – 1% for Each 1% of Low-Income and Market Rate Units are Income Targeted between 50% AMI & 36% AMI: 22%

**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 3.27% 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.

**Significant Information / Additional Conditions**

This project is a resyndication of CA-2003-814 with 156 low income units, 1 manager's unit, and 4 market rate units. At resyndication, the 66 low income units will continue to be held to the original income targeting restrictions and 4 market rate units will become restricted affordable units at 80% AMI. The project's average targeting cannot exceed 59% AMI. Any units not identified as low income units in the original regulatory agreement will not be grandfathered, and must be income qualified when the project places in service.

**Resyndication and Resyndication Transfer Event**

Prior to closing, the applicant or its assignee shall obtain TCAC's consent to assign and assume the existing Regulatory Agreement (CA-2003-814). To be eligible for a new award of tax credits, the owner must provide documentation with the Form 8609 request (the placed in service submission) that the acquisition date and the placed in service date both occurred after the existing federal 15 year compliance period was completed.

The newly resyndicated project shall continue to meet the rents and income targeting levels in the existing regulatory agreement and any deeper targeting levels in the new regulatory agreement for the duration of the new regulatory agreement. Existing households determined to be income-qualified for purposes of IRC §42 credit during the 15-year compliance period are concurrently income-qualified households for purposes of the extended use agreement. As a result, any household determined to be income qualified at the time of move-in under the existing regulatory agreement (CA-2003-814) is a qualified low-income household for the subsequent allocation (existing household eligibility is “grandfathered”).

The project is being resyndicated concurrently with a Transfer Event without distribution of Net Project Equity, thus waived from requirements under TCAC Regulation Section 10320(b)(4)(B).

**Local Reviewing Agency**

The Local Reviewing Agency, City of San Francisco, has completed a site review of this project and strongly supports this project.

**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.

**CDLAC 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 rehabilitation project commits to improve energy efficiency above the modeled energy consumption of the building(s) by a 15% decrease, based on an estimated annual energy use, in the buildings Home Energy Rating System II (HERS II) post rehabilitation.
- The project commits to having at least 1 building subject to a policy developed by the owner that prohibits smoking in contiguous designated units.
- The project commits to a parking ratio equivalent of 1 parking stall or less per SRO and 1-bedroom restricted rental units, and 1.5 parking stall or less per 2-bedroom and larger restricted rental units.