

CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

**Project Staff Report
Tax-Exempt Bond Project**

March 20, 2019

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Leisure Terrace Apartments, located at 1638 E Street in Hayward, requested and is being recommended for a reservation of \$712,172 in annual federal tax credits to finance the acquisition and rehabilitation of 67 units of housing serving tenants with rents affordable to households earning 50-60% of area median income (AMI). The project will be developed by Reliant Group and is located in Senate District 10 and Assembly District 20.

Project Number CA-19-452

Project Name Leisure Terrace Apartments

Site Address: 1638 E Street

Hayward, CA 94541

County: Alameda

Census Tract: 4364.01

| Tax Credit Amounts | Federal/Annual | State/Total |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Requested: | \$712,172 | \$0 |
| Recommended: | \$712,172 | \$0 |

Applicant Information

Applicant: Reliant Group Management, LLC

Contact: TJ Park

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General Partner(s) or Principal Owner(s): Gung Ho - East Bay, LLC

Rainbow - East Bay, LLC

General Partner Type: Joint Venture

Parent Company(ies): Reliant Group

Rainbow Housing Assistance Corporation

Developer: Reliant Group

Investor/Consultant: Boston Financial Investment Management

Management Agent: Reliant Property Management

Project Information

Construction Type: Acquisition & Rehabilitation
 Total # Residential Buildings: 3
 Total # of Units: 68
 No. / % of Low Income Units: 67 100.00%
 Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%
 Federal Subsidy: Tax-Exempt

Bond Information

Issuer: California Public Finance Authority
 Expected Date of Issuance: April 1, 2019

Information

Housing Type: Non-Targeted
 Geographic Area: East Bay Region
 TCAC Project Analyst: Diane SooHoo

55-Year Use / Affordability

| Aggregate Targeting Number of Units | | Percentage of Affordable Units |
|--|----|--------------------------------------|
| 50% AMI: | 7 | 10% |
| 60% AMI: | 60 | 90% |

Unit Mix

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| 3 SRO/Studio Units |
| 20 1-Bedroom Units |
| 45 2-Bedroom Units |
| <hr/> 68 Total Units |

| Unit Type & Number | 2019 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income | 2019 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income | Proposed Rent (including utilities) |
|-----------------------|--|---|---|
| 2 SRO/Studio | 60% | 60% | \$1,221 |
| 2 1 Bedroom | 60% | 60% | \$1,308 |
| 16 1 Bedroom | 60% | 60% | \$1,308 |
| 40 2 Bedrooms | 60% | 60% | \$1,569 |
| 2 1 Bedroom | 50% | 50% | \$1,090 |
| 4 2 Bedrooms | 50% | 50% | \$1,307 |
| 1 SRO/Studio | 50% | 50% | \$1,017 |
| 1 2 Bedrooms | Manager's Unit | Manager's Unit | \$2,404 |

Project Cost Summary at Application

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|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Land and Acquisition | \$15,096,239 |
| Construction Costs | \$0 |
| Rehabilitation Costs | \$4,186,989 |
| Construction Hard Cost Contingency | \$375,165 |
| Soft Cost Contingency | \$35,000 |
| Relocation | \$23,155 |
| Architectural/Engineering | \$133,500 |
| Const. Interest, Perm. Financing | \$1,824,528 |
| Legal Fees | \$96,500 |
| Reserves | \$264,381 |
| Other Costs | \$207,156 |
| Developer Fee | \$2,661,581 |
| Commercial Costs | \$0 |
| Total | \$24,904,194 |

Residential

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|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Construction Cost Per Square Foot: | \$72 |
| Per Unit Cost: | \$366,238 |
| True Cash Per Unit Cost*: | \$332,621 |

Construction Financing

| Source | Amount |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Citibank, N.A. | \$12,230,000 |
| Reliant CAP IX Series B TE Bonds | \$2,750,000 |
| Cash Flow from Operations | \$802,056 |
| Tax Credit Equity | \$6,494,360 |
| Deferred Developer Fee | \$2,627,778 |

Permanent Financing

| Source | Amount |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Citibank, N.A. | \$12,230,000 |
| Reliant CAP IX Series B TE Bond | \$2,750,000 |
| Cash Flow from Operations | \$802,056 |
| Deferred Developer Fee | \$2,285,970 |
| Tax Credit Equity | \$6,836,168 |
| TOTAL | \$24,904,194 |

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

Determination of Credit Amount(s)

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| Requested Eligible Basis (Rehabilitation): | \$5,767,782 |
| 130% High Cost Adjustment: | Yes |
| Requested Eligible Basis (Acquisition): | \$14,435,651 |
| Applicable Fraction: | 100.00% |
| Qualified Basis (Rehabilitation): | \$7,498,117 |
| Qualified Basis (Acquisition): | \$14,435,651 |
| Applicable Rate: | 3.30% |
| Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Rehabilitation: | \$235,796 |
| Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Acquisition: | \$476,376 |
| Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit: | \$712,172 |
| Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis): | \$2,661,581 |
| Investor/Consultant: | Boston Financial Investment Management |
| Federal Tax Credit Factor: | \$0.95990 |

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

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|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Requested Unadjusted Eligible Basis: | \$20,203,433 |
| Actual Eligible Basis: | \$20,203,433 |
| Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit: | \$26,922,518 |
| Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit: | \$29,614,770 |

Adjustments to Basis Limit

55-Year Use/Affordability Restriction – 1% for Each 1% of Low-Income and Market Rate 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. Current annual operating expenses meet the 2018 operating expenses minimums (**see Significant Information / Additional Conditions below for additional information**) 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.

Significant Information / Additional Conditions

The proposed rents do not include any utility allowance. The owner will pay for all utilities.

TCAC has agreed to allow the project at initial application to use 2018 Operating Cost per Unit minimums for underwriting. For the placed in service review the project shall be held to 2019 Operating Cost per Unit minimums.

The project is anticipated to be a 100% tax credit project, but potentially has over-income tenants that do not meet TCAC income limit requirements and will not qualify for the AMI targeting above. If tenants are over income, the applicant will endeavor to have these tenants relocate so that when it places in service as CA-19-452 will be a 100% tax credit project. However, if any of these tenants do not relocate, the project's actual applicable fraction will be determined at the placed-in-service review.

Resyndication and Resyndication Transfer Event: None

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: None