#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

# Project Staff Report Tax-Exempt Bond Project October 16, 2019

11408 S. Central Avenue, located at 11408 S. Central Avenue in Los Angeles, requested and is being recommended for a reservation of \$1,527,623 in annual federal tax credits to finance the new construction of 63 units of housing serving tenants with rents affordable to households earning 50% AMI of area median income (AMI). The project will be developed by LINC Housing Corporation and will be located in Senate District 35 and Assembly District 64.

The project will be receiving rental assistance in the form of Flexible Housing Subsidy Pool. The project financing includes state funding from the NPLH program of HCD.

Project Number CA-19-543

**Project Name** 11408 S. Central Avenue

Site Address: 11408 S. Central Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 90059 County: Los Angeles

Census Tract: 2426.00

Tax Credit AmountsFederal/AnnualState/TotalRequested:\$1,527,623\$0Recommended:\$1,527,623\$0

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: LINC-Central LP Contact: Cecilia Ngo

Address: 3590 Elm Avenue

Long Beach, CA 90807

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General Partner(s) or Principal Owner(s): LINC-Central LLC

General Partner Type: Nonprofit

Parent Company(ies):

Developer:

LINC Housing Corporation

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California Housing Partnership

Management Agent:

The John Stewart Company

# **Project Information**

Construction Type: New Construction

Total # Residential Buildings: 2 Total # of Units: 64

No. / % of Low Income Units: 63 100.00%

Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60% Federal Subsidy: Tax-Exempt

## **Bond Information**

Issuer: Housing & Community Investment Department of the City of LA

Expected Date of Issuance: April 1, 2020

## Information

Housing Type: Non-Targeted
Geographic Area: City of Los Angeles

TCAC Project Analyst: Sara Dixon

# 55-Year Use / Affordability

Aggregate Targeting		Percentage of	
<b>Number of Units</b>		<b>Affordable Units</b>	
50% AMI:	63	100%	

### **Unit Mix**

63 1-Bedroom Units
1 3-Bedroom Units
64 Total Units

	Unit Type & Number	2019 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income	2019 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income	Proposed Rent (including utilities)
63	1 Bedroom	50%	50%	\$979
1	3 Bedroom	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$0

**Project Cost Summary at Application** 

Land and Acquisition	\$3,040,000
Construction Costs	\$23,483,355
Rehabilitation Costs	\$0
Construction Hard Cost Contingency	\$1,425,801
Soft Cost Contingency	\$417,800
Relocation	\$0
Architectural/Engineering	\$1,410,000
Const. Interest, Perm. Financing	\$2,694,826
Legal Fees	\$154,000
Reserves	\$741,332
Other Costs	\$2,393,071
Developer Fee	\$4,644,643
Commercial Costs	\$0
Total	\$40,404,828

## Residential

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$451
Per Unit Cost:	\$631,325
True Cash Per Unit Cost*:	\$597,815

# **Construction Financing**

# **Permanent Financing**

Source	Amount	Source	Amount
Union Bank	\$25,014,000	Union Bank	\$6,151,000
LACDA NPLH	\$7,080,000	LACDA NPLH	\$7,130,000
HCIDLA HHH	\$2,999,818	HCIDLA HHH	\$10,112,000
Accrued/Deferred Interest	\$38,862	Accrued/Deferred Interest	\$38,862
AHP	\$630,000	AHP	\$630,000
Deferred Costs	\$1,221,582	Deferred Developer Fee	\$2,144,644
Deferred Developer Fee	\$2,144,644	General Partner Equity	\$100
General Partner Equity	\$100	Tax Credit Equity	\$14,198,222
Tax Credit Equity	\$1,275,822	TOTAL	\$40,404,828

<sup>\*</sup>Less Fee Waivers, Seller Carryback Loans, and Deferred Developer Fee

# **Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis:	\$35,608,933
130% High Cost Adjustment:	Yes
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis:	\$46,291,613
Applicable Rate:	3.30%
Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$1,527,623
Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost	& Eligible Basis): \$4,644,643
Investor/Consultant:	California Housing Partnership
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.92943

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: \$35,608,933 Actual Eligible Basis: \$35,608,933 Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$18,449,201 Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit: \$44,007,244

### **Adjustments to Basis Limit**

Required to Pay State or Federal Prevailing Wages

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 and Market Rate Units are Income Targeted between 50% AMI & 36% AMI: 100%

### **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 meet or 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.

## **Significant Information / Additional Conditions**

The per unit development cost is \$631,325. Factors attributing to the cost per unit are prevailing wage, sustainability requirements required by the Los Angeles County Development Authority's design guidelines, providing furnished units, additional common areas, and offices for services to serve homeless households.

## **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.

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 comply with the CDLAC Resolution. At the time of the TCAC placed in service review, TCAC staff will verify that the project is in compliance with all applicable items of CDLAC Resolution Exhibit A.