

**CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE**

**Project Staff Report**

**Tax-Exempt Bond Project**

**April 14, 2020**

Villa Raymond Apartments, located at 455 North Raymond Avenue in Pasadena, requested and is being recommended for a reservation of \$918,520 in annual federal tax credits to finance the acquisition and rehabilitation of 60 units of housing serving seniors with rents affordable to households earning 50%-60% of area median income (AMI). The project will be developed by Standard Property Company, Inc. and is located in Senate District 25 and Assembly District 41.

The project will be receiving rental assistance in the form of HUD Section 8 Project-based Contract.

**Project Number** CA-20-534

**Project Name** Villa Raymond Apartments  
Site Address: 455 North Raymond Avenue  
Pasadena, CA 91103 County: Los Angeles  
Census Tract: 4619.01

<b>Tax Credit Amounts</b>	<b>Federal/Annual</b>	<b>State/Total</b>
Requested:	\$918,520	\$0
Recommended:	\$918,520	\$0

**Applicant Information**

Applicant: Standard Villa Raymond Venture, LP  
Contact: Keith Dragoon  
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Los Angeles, CA 90067  
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General Partner(s) or Principal Owner(s): Standard Villa Raymond Manager, LP  
Housing on Merit XIII, LLC  
General Partner Type: Joint Venture  
Parent Company(ies): Standard Companies  
Housing on Merit  
Developer: Standard Property Company, Inc  
Investor/Consultant: Candeur Group, LLC  
Management Agent: AMC-CA, Inc.

**Project Information**

Construction Type: Acquisition & Rehabilitation  
 Total # Residential Buildings: 1  
 Total # of Units: 61  
 No. / % of Low Income Units: 60 100.00%  
 Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%  
 Federal Subsidy: Tax-Exempt / HUD Section 8 Project-based Contract (60 units - 100%)

**Bond Information**

Issuer: California Municipal Finance Authority  
 Expected Date of Issuance: May 1, 2020

**Information**

Housing Type: Seniors  
 Geographic Area: Balance of Los Angeles County  
 TCAC Project Analyst: Carmen Doonan

**55-Year Use / Affordability**

<u>Aggregate Targeting Number of Units</u>	<u>Percentage of Affordable Units</u>
50% AMI: 30	50%
60% AMI: 30	50%

**Unit Mix**

45 SRO/Studio Units  
16 1-Bedroom Units  
 61 Total Units

<u>Unit Type &amp; Number</u>	<u>2019 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>2019 Rents Actual % of Area Median Income</u>	<u>Proposed Rent (including utilities)</u>
23 SRO/Studio	50%	50%	\$913
22 SRO/Studio	60%	60%	\$1,096
7 1 Bedroom	50%	50%	\$979
8 1 Bedroom	60%	60%	\$1,175
1 1 Bedroom	Manager's Unit	Manager's Unit	\$2,255

**Project Cost Summary at Application**

Land and Acquisition	\$21,000,000
Construction Costs	\$0
Rehabilitation Costs	\$3,569,650
Construction Hard Cost Contingency	\$356,965
Soft Cost Contingency	\$0
Relocation	\$61,000
Architectural/Engineering	\$246,735
Const. Interest, Perm. Financing	\$358,221
Legal Fees	\$335,000
Reserves	\$0
Other Costs	\$105,196
Developer Fee	\$3,698,116
Commercial Costs	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$29,730,882</b>

**Residential**

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$124
Per Unit Cost:	\$487,392
True Cash Per Unit Cost*:	\$445,765

**Construction Financing**

<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jones Lang LaSalle - Tax Exempt	\$17,559,000
Jones Lang LaSalle	\$1,366,000
Developer Fee	\$3,698,116
Tax Credit Equity	\$7,107,766

**Permanent Financing**

<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Jones Lang LaSalle - Tax Exempt	\$17,559,000
Jones Lang LaSalle	\$1,366,000
Deferred Developer Fee	\$2,539,201
Tax Credit Equity	\$8,266,681
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$29,730,882</b>

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

**Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$4,910,500
130% High Cost Adjustment:	No
Requested Eligible Basis (Acquisition):	\$23,441,720
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$4,910,500
Qualified Basis (Acquisition):	\$23,441,720
Applicable Rate:	3.24%
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Rehabilitation:	\$159,008
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Acquisition:	\$759,512
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$918,520
Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis):	\$3,698,116
Investor/Consultant:	Candeur Group, LLC
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.90000

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:	\$28,352,220
Actual Eligible Basis:	\$28,352,220
Unadjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$18,612,552
Total Adjusted Threshold Basis Limit:	\$29,780,083

**Adjustments to Basis Limit**

- 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: 50%

**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 3.24% 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 project owner is paying for all utilities.

**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.

State tax credit recipients are limited to cash distributions from project operations pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 12206(d). By accepting the tax credit reservation, the applicant/owner is agreeing to comply with the statutory limitations and requirements.

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.