#### CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Project Staff Report 2023 Second Round November 8, 2023

Canoga Park Apartments, located at 6824 Winnetka Avenue in Los Angeles, requested and is being recommended for a reservation of \$614,200 in annual federal tax credits and \$2,032,487 in total state tax credits to finance the acquisition and rehabilitation of 14 units of housing serving tenants with rents affordable to households earning 30%-50% of area median income (AMI). The project will be developed by Community Preservation Partners, LLC and is located in Senate District 27 and Assembly District 46.

The project is currently at-risk, but is being recommended for a reservation of tax credits that will preserve affordability for an additional 55 years. The project will be receiving rental assistance in the form of HUD Section 8 Project-based Contract.

Project Number CA-23-079

Project Name Canoga Park Apartments

Site Address: 6824 Winnetka Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 91306

County: Los Angeles Census Tract: 1348.02

Tax Credit AmountsFederal/AnnualState/Total \*Requested:\$614,200\$2,032,487Recommended:\$614,200\$2,032,487

#### **Applicant Information**

Applicant: Canoga Park Community Partners, LP

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General Partner(s) / Principal Owner(s): CPP - Canoga Park GP, LLC

FFAH V Canoga Park Apartments, LLC

General Partner Type: Joint Venture

Parent Company(ies): WNC Development Partners, LLC

Foundation For Affordable Housing V, Inc. Community Preservation Partners, LLC

Developer: Community Preservation Investor/Consultant: WNC & Associates

Investor/Consultant: WNC & Associates Management Agent(s): FPI Management, Inc

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<sup>\*</sup> The applicant made an election not to sell (Certificate) any portion of the state credits.

# **Project Information**

Construction Type: Acquisition and Rehabilitation

Total # Residential Buildings: 2
Total # of Units: 14

No. & % of Tax Credit Units: 14 100% Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%

Federal Subsidy: HUD Section 8 Project-based Contract (14 Units - 100%)

## Information

Set-Aside: At-Risk Housing Type: At-Risk

Geographic Area: City of Los Angeles CTCAC Project Analyst: Dylan Hervey

# 55-Year Use / Affordability

Aggregate Targeting	Number of Units	Percent of Required Affordable Units
At or Below 30% AMI:	2	10%
At or Below 40% AMI:	3	20%
At or Below 50% AMI:	9	40%

#### **Unit Mix**

12 2-Bedroom Units2 3-Bedroom Units14 Total Units

	2023 Rents Targeted % of	Proposed Rent
Unit Type & Number	Area Median Income	(including utilities)
8 2 Bedrooms	50%	\$1,418
1 3 Bedrooms	50%	\$1,639
1 3 Bedrooms	30%	\$983
1 2 Bedrooms	30%	\$851
3 2 Bedrooms	40%	\$1.135

# **Project Cost Summary at Application**

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Land and Acquisition	\$6,050,000
Rehabilitation Costs	\$2,452,065
Construction Contingency	\$470,207
Relocation	\$70,000
Architectural/Engineering	\$77,000
Const. Interest, Perm. Financing	\$833,897
Legal Fees	\$215,000
Reserves	\$115,000
Other Costs	\$192,308
Developer Fee	\$844,043
Total	\$11,319,520

#### Residential

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$207
Per Unit Cost:	\$808,537
True Cash Per Unit Cost*:	\$802,907

#### **Construction Financing**

## **Permanent Financing**

Source	Amount	Source	Amount
Citibank - Taxable	\$7,927,030	Citibank - Taxable	\$3,765,000
Net Operating Income	\$239,272	Net Operating Income	\$239,273
Deferred Developer Fee	\$675,234	Deferred Developer Fee	\$78,822
Tax Credit Equity	\$2,477,984	Tax Credit Equity	\$7,236,425
• •		TOTAL	\$11,319,520

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

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

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Requested Eligible Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$4,845,144
130% High Cost Adjustment:	No
Requested Eligible Basis (Acquisition):	\$4,453,418
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$4,845,144
Applicable Rate:	9.00%
Qualified Basis (Acquisition):	\$4,453,418
Applicable Rate:	4.00%
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Rehabilitation:	\$436,063
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Acquisition:	\$178,137
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$614,200
Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis)	\$844,043
Investor/Consultant:	WNC & Associates
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.93000
State Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.75000

The "as if vacant" land value and the existing improvement value established at application, 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, unless a waiver has been granted for a purchase price not to exceed the sum of third party debt that will be assumed or paid off. The sum of the third party debt encumbering the property may increase during subsequent reviews to reflect the actual amount.

#### Tie-Breaker Information

First: At-Risk
Self-Score Final: 23.649%
CTCAC Final: 23.649%

#### **Significant Information / Additional Conditions**

Staff noted a per unit cost of \$802,907. The applicant noted that the factors attributing to the per unit cost is due to a high purchase price.

# Resyndication and Resyndication Transfer Event: None.

# **Local Reviewing Agency**

The Local Reviewing Agency has not yet completed a site review of this project. Any negative comments in the LRA report will cause this staff report to be revised to reflect such comments.

## **Standard Conditions**

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Carryover Allocation and any Readiness to Proceed Requirements elected. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

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.

CTCAC 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 CTCAC.

The applicant must pay CTCAC a performance deposit and allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. Additionally, CTCAC 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 CTCAC limitations. Fees in excess of these limitations will not be considered when determining the amount of credit when the project is placed-in-service.

If the applicant has requested the use of a CUAC utility allowance, CTCAC's Compliance staff will review the CUAC documentation for this project prior to placed in service. Until written approval is received from CTCAC, this project is not eligible to use a utility allowance based on the CUAC.

The applicant/owner shall be subject to underwriting criteria set forth in Section 10327 of the regulations through the final feasibility analysis performed by CTCAC 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 CTCAC in its final feasibility analysis.

The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements of the proposed project. If points were awarded for service amenities, the applicant will be required to provide such amenity or amenities identified in the application, for a minimum period of fifteen years and at no cost to the tenants. Applicants that received points for sustainable building methods (energy efficiency) must submit the certification required by Section 10325(c)(5) at project completion. Applicants that received increases (exceptions to limits) in the threshold basis limit under Section 10327(c)(5) must submit the certification required by Section 10322(i)(2) at project completion.

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Points System	Max.	Requested	Points
Points System	Possible	Points	Awarded
Owner / Management Characteristics	10	10	10
General Partner Experience	7	7	7
Management Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs	10	10	10
Site Amenities	15	15	15
Within ⅓ mile of transit, service every 30 minutes in rush hours	6	6	6
Within ¾ mile of public park or community center open to general public	2	2	2
Within ½ mile of a full-scale grocery/supermarket of at least 25,000 sf	5	5	5
Within ½ mile of a pharmacy	2	2	2
Service Amenities	10	10	10
LARGE FAMILY, SENIOR, AT-RISK HOUSING TYPES			
Adult ed/health & wellness/skill bldg classes, min. 42 hrs/yr instruction	7	7	7
Health & wellness services and programs, minimum 60 hrs per 100 bdrms	3	3	3
Lowest Income	52	52	52
Basic Targeting	50	50	50
Deeper Targeting – at least 10% of Low Income Units @ 30% AMI or less	2	2	2
Readiness to Proceed	10	10	10
Miscellaneous Federal and State Policies	2	2	2
Smoke Free Residence	2	2	2
Total Points	109	109	109

<u>Please Note:</u> If more than the maximum Site Amenity points were requested, not all amenities may have been scored and/or verified.

DO NOT RELY ON SCORING IN THIS COMPETITIVE CYCLE FOR FUTURE APPLICATIONS. ALL REAPPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED WITHOUT RELIANCE ON PAST SCORING.