# CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE Project Staff Report 2023 Second Round December 6, 2023

Pointe Common, located at 1600 W Commonwealth Avenue in Fullerton, requested and is being recommended for a reservation of \$2,500,000 in annual federal tax credits and \$11,386,412 in total state tax credits to finance the new construction of 64 units of housing serving families with rents affordable to households earning 30%-70% of area median income (AMI). The project will be developed by Meta Development, LLC and will be located in Senate District 29 and Assembly District 34.

Project Number	CA-23-093	
Project Name	Pointe Common	
Site Address:	1600 W Commonwealth Aven Fullerton , CA 92833	ue
County:	Orange	
Census Tract:	6059011000	
Tax Credit Amounts	Federal/Annual	State/Total *
Requested:	\$2,500,000	\$11,386,412
Recommended:	\$2,500,000	\$11,386,412

\* The applicant made an election to sell (Certificate) all or any portion of the state credits.

#### Applicant Information

Applicant:	WCH Affordable	e LXX, LLC
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General Partner(s) / Principal	Owner(s).	1600 Commonwealth, LP 1600 Commonwealth, LLC

1600 Commonwealth, LLC
Joint Venture
Meta Development, LLC
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Redstone Equity
WSH Management

# **Project Information**

Construction Type:New ConstructionTotal # Residential Buildings:1Total # of Units:65No. & % of Tax Credit Units:64Federal Set-Aside Elected:40%/60% Average IncomeFederal Subsidy:HOME

# Information

Set-Aside:	N/A
Housing Type:	Large Family
Geographic Area:	Orange County
CTCAC Project Analyst:	Nick White

# 55-Year Use / Affordability

Aggregate Targeting	Number of Units	Percent of Required Affordable Units
At or Below 30% AMI:	13	20%
At or Below 40% AMI:	17	25%
At or Below 50% AMI:	7	10%
At or Below 60% AMI:	11	15%

#### Unit Mix

29 1-Bedroom Units

19 2-Bedroom Units

17 3-Bedroom Units

65 Total Units

		2023 Rents Targeted % of	Proposed Rent
Unit	Type & Number	Area Median Income	(including utilities)
5	1 Bedroom	30%	\$807
4	1 Bedroom	30%	\$807
16	1 Bedroom	40%	\$1,076
2	1 Bedroom	60%	\$1,614
2	1 Bedroom	70%	\$1,883
1	2 Bedrooms	30%	\$969
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1	2 Bedrooms	40%	\$1,292
6	2 Bedrooms	50%	\$1,615
3	2 Bedrooms	60%	\$1,938
6	2 Bedrooms	70%	\$2,261
1	3 Bedrooms	30%	\$1,119
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1	3 Bedrooms	50%	\$1,865
6	3 Bedrooms	60%	\$2,238
8	3 Bedrooms	70%	\$2,611
1	2 Bedrooms	Manager's Unit	\$0

# **Project Cost Summary at Application**

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\$11,665,313
\$24,456,532
\$0
\$2,490,323
\$0
\$2,395,398
\$4,418,828
\$270,000
\$258,988
\$2,901,968
\$2,200,000
\$0
\$51,057,350

# Residential

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$445
Per Unit Cost:	\$785,498
True Cash Per Unit Cost*:	\$617,889

# **Construction Financing**

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Source	Amount
Citibank Construction	\$33,500,000
City of Fullerton - HOME	\$1,000,000
City of Fullerton - Land	\$10,700,000
City of Fullerton - Bond Loan	\$717,738
Cost Deferral	\$258,988
Deferred Developer Fee	\$1,578,619
Federal Tax Credit Equity	\$2,300,000
State Tax Credit Equity	\$1,002,004

# **Permanent Financing**

Source	Amount
Citibank Permanent	\$5,425,000
City of Fullerton - HOME	\$1,000,000
City of Fullerton - Land	\$10,700,000
City of Fullerton - Bond Loan	\$717,738
Deferred Developer Fee	\$194,569
Tax Credit Equity	\$33,020,043
TOTAL	\$51,057,350

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

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

Requested Eligible Basis:	\$37,954,707
130% High Cost Adjustment:	No
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis:	\$37,954,707
Applicable Rate:	9.00%
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$2,500,000
Total State Credit:	\$11,386,412
Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis):	\$2,200,000
Investor/Consultant:	Redstone Equity
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.92000
State Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.88000

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:	Large Family
Self-Score Final:	38.977%
CTCAC Final:	37.911%

# Significant Information / Additional Conditions:

Development costs are roughly \$782,504 per unit. The factors affecting this cost includes land cost, hard construction cost, financing fees, legal fees, city permit and the developer fee.

# 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.

Points System	Max. Possible	Requested	Points
	Points	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 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> mile of transit, service every 30 min, 25 units/acre density	7	7	7
Within 1/2 mile of public park or community center open to general public	3	3	3
Within 1 mile of a full-scale grocery/supermarket of at least 25,000 sf	4	4	4
Within 1 mile of a public high school	3	3	3
Within 1 mile of a pharmacy	1	1	1
Service Amenities	10	10	10
LARGE FAMILY, SENIOR, AT-RISK HOUSING TYPES			
Adult ed/health & wellness/skill bldg classes, min. 60 hrs/yr instruction	5	5	5
After school program for school age children, minimum of 10 hours/week	5	5	5
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 RE-APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED WITHOUT RELIANCE ON PAST SCORING.