

**CALIFORNIA DEBT LIMIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE  
CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE  
Project Staff Report  
Qualified Private Activity Tax-Exempt Bond Project  
April 8, 2025**

Riverhouse Hotel, located at 700 Alhambra Avenue in Martinez on a 0.46 acre site, requested and is being recommended for a reservation of \$2,656,749 in annual federal tax credits and \$29,238,977 of tax-exempt bond cap to finance the acquisition & rehabilitation of 84 units of housing, consisting of 83 restricted rental units and 1 unrestricted manager's unit. The project has 80 studio units, 4 one-bedroom units, serving tenants with rents affordable to households earning 30%-50% of area median income (AMI). The construction is expected to begin in November 2025 and be completed in May 2027. The project will be developed by Eden Housing, Inc. and is located in Senate District 3 and Assembly District 15.

Riverhouse Hotel is a re-syndication of an existing Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) project, Riverhouse Hotel (CA-92-195). See Resyndication and Resyndication Transfer Event below for additional information. The project will be receiving rental assistance in the form of HUD Section 8 Project-based Vouchers. The project financing includes state funding from the California Housing Rehabilitation Program (CHRP) and Portfolio Reinvestment Program (PRP) of HCD.

<b>Project Number</b>	CA-25-476
<b>Project Name</b>	Riverhouse Hotel
Site Address:	700 Alhambra Avenue Martinez, CA 94553
County:	Contra Costa
Census Tract:	3160.00

<b>Tax Credit Amounts</b>	<b>Federal/Annual</b>	<b>State/Total</b>
Requested:	\$2,656,749	\$0
Recommended:	\$2,656,749	\$0

<b>Tax-Exempt Bond Allocation</b>	
Recommended:	\$29,238,977

<b>CTCAC Applicant Information</b>	
CTCAC Applicant/CDLAC Sponsor:	Eden Housing, Inc.
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<b>Bond Financing Information</b>	
CDLAC Applicant/Bond Issuer:	Contra Costa County Housing and Community Improvement Division
Bond Counsel:	Stradling, Yocca, Carlson & Rauth
Private Placement Purchaser:	JP Morgan Chase Bank, N. A.

**Development Team**

General Partner / Principal Owner:	Riverhouse Hotel LLC
General Partner Type:	Nonprofit
Parent Company:	Eden Housing, Inc.
Developer:	Eden Housing, Inc.
Investor/Consultant:	California Housing Partnership
Management Agent:	Eden Housing Management Inc.

**Project Information**

Construction Type:	Acquisition & Rehabilitation
Total # Residential Buildings:	1
Total # of Units:	84
No. / % of Low Income Units:	83 100.00%
Average Targeted Affordability:	39.64%
Federal Set-Aside Elected:	40%/60%
Federal Subsidy:	Tax-Exempt / Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) / HOME / HUD Section 8 Project-based Vouchers (18 Units - 22%)

**Information**

Housing Type:	Non-Targeted
Geographic Area:	Bay Area Region
State Ceiling Pool:	Preservation
CDLAC Project Analyst:	Sarah Lester
CTCAC Project Analyst:	Jacob Paixao

**55-Year Use / Affordability**

<b>Aggregate Targeting</b>	<b>Number of Units</b>	<b>Percentage of Affordable Units</b>
30% AMI:	43	52%
50% AMI:	40	48%

**Unit Mix**

80	SRO/Studio Units
4	1-Bedroom Units
84	Total Units

<b>Unit Type &amp; Number</b>	<b>2024 Rents Targeted % of Area Median Income</b>	<b>Proposed Rent (including utilities)</b>
17 SRO/Studio	30%	\$596
26 SRO/Studio	30%	\$596
1 1 Bedroom	50%	\$583
18 SRO/Studio	50%	\$791
19 SRO/Studio	50%	\$580
2 1 Bedroom	50%	\$583
1 1 Bedroom	Manager's Unit	\$0

**Project Cost Summary at Application**

Land and Acquisition	\$16,900,000
Construction Costs	\$0
Rehabilitation Costs	\$22,272,481
Construction Hard Cost Contingency	\$3,340,872
Soft Cost Contingency	\$1,060,159
Relocation	\$2,850,000
Architectural/Engineering	\$2,315,000
Const. Interest, Perm. Financing	\$6,242,686
Legal Fees	\$130,000
Reserves	\$3,105,050
Other Costs	\$1,262,567
Developer Fee	\$2,200,000
Commercial Costs	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$61,678,815</b>

**Residential**

Construction Cost Per Square Foot:	\$654
Per Unit Cost:	\$734,272
Estimated Hard Per Unit Cost:	\$227,651
True Cash Per Unit Cost*:	\$607,203
Bond Allocation Per Unit:	\$348,083
Bond Allocation Per Restricted Rental Unit:	\$352,277

**Construction Financing**

Source	Amount
Chase: Tax-Exempt	\$29,238,977
Chase: Taxable	\$5,988,161
Seller Carryback	\$10,673,747
HCD: CHRP-R	\$5,600,255
Contra Costa County: CDBG	\$625,998
Contra Costa County: HOME	\$1,000,000
Accrued Interest	\$1,707,242
Deferred Costs	\$4,708,849
Acquired Reserves	\$42,350
Tax Credit Equity	\$2,093,236

**Permanent Financing**

Source	Amount
Seller Carryback	\$10,673,747
HCD: CHRP-R	\$5,600,255
HCD: PRP	\$18,611,857
Contra Costa County: CDBG	\$625,998
Contra Costa County: HOME	\$1,000,000
Contra Costa County: Measure X	\$1,000,000
Accrued Interest	\$1,707,242
Acquired Reserves	\$42,350
Tax Credit Equity	\$22,417,366
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$61,678,815</b>

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

**Determination of Credit Amount(s)**

Requested Eligible Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$37,972,835
130% High Cost Adjustment:	Yes
Requested Eligible Basis (Acquisition):	\$17,054,047
Applicable Fraction:	100.00%
Qualified Basis (Rehabilitation):	\$49,364,686
Qualified Basis (Acquisition):	\$17,054,047
Applicable Rate:	4.00%
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Rehabilitation:	\$1,974,587
Maximum Annual Federal Credit, Acquisition:	\$682,162
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$2,656,749
Approved Developer Fee (in Project Cost & Eligible Basis):	\$2,200,000
Federal Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.84379

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.

**CTCAC Significant Information / Additional Conditions:** None.

**CDLAC Analyst Comments:** None.

### **Resyndication and Resyndication Transfer Event**

Prior to closing, the applicant or its assignee shall obtain CTCAC's consent to assign and assume the existing Regulatory Agreement (CA-92-195). To be eligible for a new award of tax credits, the owner must provide documentation with the Form 8609 request (the placed in service submission) that the acquisition date and the placed in service date both occurred after the existing federal 15 year compliance period was completed. For resyndications that were originally rehabilitation and acquisition, the resyndication acquisition date cannot occur before the last rehabilitation credit year of the original credit period.

As required by the IRS, the newly resyndicated project will continue to use the originally assigned Building Identification Numbers (BINs).

The newly resyndicated project shall continue to meet the rents and income targeting levels in the existing regulatory agreement(s) and any deeper targeting levels in the new regulatory agreement(s) for the duration of the new regulatory agreement(s). Existing households determined to be income-qualified for purposes of IRC §42 credit during the 15-year compliance period are concurrently income-qualified households for purposes of the extended use agreement. As a result, any household determined to be income qualified at the time of move-in under the existing regulatory agreement (CA-92-195) is a qualified low-income household for the subsequent allocation (existing household eligibility is “grandfathered”).

The project is a re-syndication occurring concurrently with a Transfer Event without distribution of Net Project Equity, and thus is waived from setting aside a Short Term Work Capitalized Replacement Reserve that is otherwise required.

### **Standard Conditions**

The applicant 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.

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 reservation 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.

#### **CDLAC Additional Conditions**

The applicant/owner is required to comply with the CDLAC Resolution. At the time of the CTCAC placed in service review, CTCAC staff will verify that the project is in compliance with all applicable items of CDLAC Resolution Exhibit A.

If points were awarded by CDLAC for housing type, the project shall comply with the housing type requirements at the time of CTCAC's Placed In Service review. The housing type requirement shall be conditioned in the CTCAC Regulatory Agreement and CTCAC Compliance staff shall verify the project is meeting those housing type requirements, consistent with California Code of Regulations, title 4, section 10322(i).

<b>Point Criteria</b>	<b>New Const. Max. Points</b>	<b>Rehabilitation Max. Points</b>	<b>Points Scored</b>
Preservation and Other Rehabilitation Project Priorities	0	20	20
New Construction Density and Local Incentives	10	0	0
Exceeding Minimum Income Restrictions	20	20	20
Exceeding Minimum Rent Restrictions	10	10	10
General Partner Experience	7	7	7
Management Company Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs	10	0	0
Leveraged Soft Resources	8	8	8
Readiness to Proceed	10	10	10
Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing	10	0	0
Site Amenities	10	10	10
Service Amenities	10	10	10
Cost Containment	12	12	12
Negative Points	No Maximum		0
<b>Total Points</b>	120	110	110

The criteria for which points are awarded will also be incorporated into the Resolution transferring Allocation to the Applicant as well as the appropriate bond documents and loan and finance agreements.

**Tie Breaker:** 144.454%