## CALIFORNIA TAX CREDIT ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Project Staff Report 2007 First Round Cycle June 6, 2007

Project Number CA-2007-043

**Project Name** The Fairways at San Antonio

Site Address: 305 San Antonio Court

San Jose, CA 95116 County: Santa Clara Census Tract: 5036.2

**Applicant Information** 

Applicant: San Jose Family Housing Partners, LLC

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General Partners(s)Type: Joint Venture

**Information** 

Set-Aside: N/A

Housing Type: Large Family

Geographic Area: San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties - Santa Clara County

**Eligible Basis** 

Requested: \$20,655,324 Actual: \$25,422,211 Maximum Permitted: \$20,655,324

**Adjustments to Threshold Basis Limit:** 

Required to Pay Prevailing Wages Parking Beneath Residential Units

Local Impact Fees

Environmental Mitigation 

Utilizing New Energy Technologies

3 or More Energy Efficiency/Resource Conservation/Indoor Air Quality Features

10% Adjustment for Regions Where Development Costs Frequently Exceed Published Limit

 Tax Credit Amounts
 Federal/Annual
 State/Total

 Requested:
 \$1,680,104
 \$4,500,000

 Recommended:
 \$1,680,104
 \$4,500,000

**Project Information** 

Construction Type: New Construction

Federal Subsidy: N/A
Total # of Units: 86
Total # Residential Buildings: 5

**Income/Rent Targeting** 

Federal Set-Aside Elected: 40%/60%

% & No. of Tax Credit Units: 100% - 84 units

Breakdown by %: 30% @ 30%, 25% @ 45%, 20% @ 50%

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Selection Criteria	Max. Possible	Requested Points	Points Awarded
	Points 20	20	20
Cost Efficiency/Credit Reduction/Public Funds Maximum of 20 points			
Credit Reduction	20	2	2
Public Funds	18	18	18
Owner / Management Characteristics Maximum of 9 points	9	9	9
General Partner Experience	6	6	6
Management Experience	3	3	3
Housing Needs Maximum of 10 points	10	10	10
Site Amenities Maximum of 15 points	15	15	15
Within ½ mile of public park or community center open to general public	2	2	2
Within ¼ mile of a full-scale grocery store with staples, fresh meat and fresh produce	4	4	4
☐ Large Family project within ½ mile of public school that project children may attend	2	2	2
Within ½ mile of medical clinic or hospital	3	3	3
Within ½ mile of a pharmacy	1	1	1
Service Amenities Maximum of 10 points	10	10	10
High speed internet service provided in each unit	5	5	5
After school programs of an ongoing nature for school age children	5	5	5
Neighborhood Revitalization Maximum of 9 points	9	9	9
Sustainable Building Methods Maximum of 8 points	8	8	8
New construction/adaptive reuse increases energy efficiency 10% above Title 24	4	4	4
Flow restrictors for kitchen & bath faucets or water-saving fixtures	1	1	1
☐ CRI Green-label, low-VOC carpet and pad	1	1	1
Formaldehyde-free insulation	1	1	1
Project has nonsmoking buildings or contiguous sections within a building	1	1	1
Lowest Income Maximum of 52 points	52	52	52
□ Basic Targeting	50	50	50
Deeper Targeting – at least 10% of units @ 30% AMI or less	2	2	2
Readiness to Proceed Maximum of 20 points	20	20	20
State credit substitution Maximum of 2 points	2	2	2
Total Points	155	152	152

## **Tie-Breaker Information**

Tie-Breaker Categories Apply to this Project: No First: Housing Type Large Family

Second: Maximum Neighborhood Revitalization Points/Federal Designated Area Yes

Third: Calculated Ratio per Regulation 10325(c)(12) **81.505**%

#### 2006 Rents for 1st Round 2007 **Unit Type & Number** % of Area Median Income **Proposed Rent** (including utilities) 25% 1 Studio \$464 5 Studio 30% \$557 Studio 45% \$760 25% 1 One-bedroom \$498 5 One-bedroom 30% \$597 45% 15 One-bedroom \$895 6 One-bedroom 50% \$975 25% Two-bedroom \$596 Two-bedroom 30% \$715 Two-bedroom 50% \$1,193 Two-bedroom 60% \$1,193 1 1 Three-bedroom 25% \$689 6 Three-bedroom 30% \$827 7 Three-bedroom 50% \$1,379 Three-bedroom \$1,379 15 60% One-bedroom Manager's unit \$300 1 Three-bedroom Manager's unit \$450

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The general partner(s) or principal owner(s) are Affirmed Housing Group and the Las Palmas Foundation.

The project developer is Affirmed Housing Group.

The management agent is Solari Enterprises, Inc.

The market analyst is Laurin & Associates.

The Local Reviewing Agency, the City of San Jose, has completed a site review of this project and strongly supports this project.

# **Project Financing**

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$31,055,438 Per Unit Cost: \$361,110 Construction Cost Per Sq. Foot: \$309

Construction Financia	ng	Permanent Finan	cing
Source	Amount	Source	Amount
Citibank	\$17,000,000	Citibank	\$5,252,082
City of San Jose	\$5,750,000	City of San Jose	\$7,679,570
Deferred Developer Fee	\$377,600	AHP	\$258,000
Investor Equity	\$7,927,838	Deferred Developer Fee	\$377,632
		Investor Equity	\$17,488,154
		TOTAL	\$31,055,438

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

Requested Eligible Basis:	\$20,655,324
130% High Cost Adjustment:	No
Applicable Fraction:	100%
Qualified Basis Credit Reduction (2%)	\$413,107
Qualified Basis:	\$20,242,218
Applicable Rate:	8.30%
Total Maximum Annual Federal Credit:	\$1,680,104
Total State Credit:	\$4,500,000
Approved Developer Fee:	\$1,400,000
Tax Credit Factor:	\$0.82100

Applicant requests and staff recommends annual federal credits of \$1,680,104 and total state credits of \$4,500,000, based on a qualified basis of 20,242,218 and a funding shortfall of \$17,488,154.

# **Cost Analysis and Line Item Review**

The requested eligible basis \$20,655,324 is at the TCAC's threshold basis limit \$20,655,324. The basis limit was increased by the following extraordinary features: projects that are required to pay state or federal prevailing wages, projects that are required to provide parking beneath the residential units, projects requiring seismic upgrading of existing structures, and/or requiring toxic or other environmental mitigation as certified by the project architect, projects that include distributive energy technologies such as micro turbines and/or renewable energy sources such as solar, local development impact fees, the adjustment for projects with 3 or more energy efficiency/resource conservation/indoor air quality items, for exceeding Title 24 by at least 15%, using CRI Green Label Plus Carpet or no carpet in all bedrooms, using vent kitchen range hoods to the exterior of the building in at least 80% of the units. Staff analysis of project costs to determine reasonableness found all fees to be within TCAC's underwriting guidelines and TCAC limitations.

Annual operating expenses exceed the minimum operating expenses established in the Regulations, and the project pro forma shows a positive cash flow from year one.

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Staff has calculated federal tax credits based on 8.30% 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.

# **Special Issues/Other Significant Information:** None

**Legal Status:** Staff has reviewed the Applicant's responses to the questions contained in the Legal Status portion of the Application. No information was disclosed that raised any question regarding the financial viability or legal integrity of the applicant.

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Committee make a preliminary reservation of tax credits, in the following amount(s) contingent upon standard conditions and any additional conditions imposed by the Committee:

Federal/Annual \$1,680,104 **State/Total \$4,500,000** 

## **Standard Conditions**

An application for a carryover allocation must be submitted by October 31, 2007, as required by regulation section 10328(d), together with the applicable allocation fee and all required documentation. The time for meeting the "10%" test and submitting related documentation will be no later than six (6) months after the date of the executed carryover allocation (as defined by IRC Section 42 and IRS Notices). The applicant must ensure the project meets all Additional Threshold Requirements for the housing type of the proposed project.

The applicant must submit all documentation required for a Final Reservation no later than February 1 of the year that the building(s) must be placed in service pursuant to Section 42(h)(E)(i) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The applicant shall provide the Committee a Final Reservation application providing the documentation for the project set forth in Section 10322(i)(1) of these regulations. Failure to provide the documentation at the time required may result in rescission of the Credit reservation and cancellation of a carryover allocation.

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 performance deposit and allocation fee calculated in accordance with regulation. The performance deposit must be paid by cashier's check within 20 calendar days of any preliminary reservation. The allocation fee must be paid within a time period specified in the preliminary reservation letter. The allocation fee will be due prior to execution of a carryover allocation or issuance of tax forms, whichever comes first. 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.

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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.

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 ten 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)(8) 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)(P) at project completion.

## **Additional Conditions:**

Applicants that received 20 points for readiness to proceed must meet ALL of the following requirements. The applicant must be ready to begin construction within 150 days of the Credit Reservation which is November 2, 2007, as evidenced by submission, within that time of, recorded deeds of trust for all construction financing, payment of all construction lender fees, issuance of building permits and notice to proceed delivered to the contractor. Failure to meet this timeline will result in rescission of the Credit Reservation.

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