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Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: Planning and Community Development Committee

DEPARTMENT: Neighborhood & Housing Services Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Verónica R. Soto, AICP, Director

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Council District 5

SUBJECT:

Consideration of a Resolution of No Objection for Tampico Apartments, LP's application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the Non-Competitive 4% Housing Tax Credits program.

SUMMARY:

Tampico Apartments, LP is seeking a Resolution of No Objection for its application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the Non-Competitive 4% Housing Tax Credits program for the development of Tampico Apartments, 200-unit affordable multi-family rental housing development located at 200 Tampico Street in Council District 5.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs' (TDHCA) Housing Tax Credit (HTC) program is one of the primary means of directing private capital toward the development and preservation of affordable rental housing for low-income households in the state of Texas. HTCs are awarded to eligible participants to offset a portion of their federal tax liability in exchange for the production or preservation of affordable rental housing.

The TDHCA administers two HTC programs: a Competitive 9% and Non-Competitive 4%. This is an application for the Non-Competitive 4% HTC program which is available year round unlike the Competitive 9% HTC program which has a single annual application period. The Competitive 9% HTC program assigns points based on the type of resolution provided by a municipality (Resolution of Support versus a Resolution of No Objection), but the Non-Competitive 4% Housing Tax Credit only require that a Resolution of No Objection be submitted to satisfy requirements of §11.204(4)(C) of the TDHCA's Uniform Multifamily Rules.

In order to qualify to receive a Resolution of No Objection, the application must earn at least 50 out of 100 points from the City's scoring criteria outlined in the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Policy adopted by City Council December 14, 2017.

ISSUE:

This project is the result of a partnership between the San Antonio Housing Authority and Mission DG. They will be submitting an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) for the Non-Competitive 4% Housing Tax Credits (HTC) program for the development of Tampico Apartments, a 200-unit multi-family rental housing development located at 200 Tampico Street in Council District 5. The applicant met with the Council District 5 office to provide all pertinent information regarding the proposed HTC project.

Any application earning between 50 and 100 points shall be eligible to receive a staff recommendation for a Resolution of No Objection, provided the application receives at least seven experience points under the Owner/General Partner/Property Management Experience category. SAHA and Mission DG received 15 experience points, and 81 points in total and is eligible to receive a Resolution of No Objection. No public engagement points were sought.

The value of the TDHCA tax credit award for Tampico Apartments would be approximately \$7.2 million over a ten year period. The total construction cost for this project will be approximately \$29.9 million. Of the 200-units, 123 will have rent restricted to 80% and below of area median income as defined by TDHCA's Rent and Income Limit tool using HUD data (e.g. a family of four will have a maximum income of \$56,800).

The 4% application is anticipated to be considered by the TDHCA Governing Board in December 2019. If approved, the estimated construction start date will be in April 2020 and is estimated to be completed in September 2021.

This is the fourth Non-Competitive 4% HTC project being considered by the City of San Antonio that has opted to income average. Income averaging is a way to expand the HTC program to serve more families. Traditionally, most 4% HTC projects have served families at 60% AMI. Income averaging allows developments to accept families with incomes up to 80% AMI and as low as 20% AMI as long as the average income of the development does not exceed 60% AMI. This tool makes it more financially feasible for development to target lower AMIs since the higher rents that households at the upper range pay are offset by the lower rents households at lower AMIs pay.

The affordable units are projected to contain the following unit mix:

Unit Mix	Number of Units	Monthly Rent	AMI Served
Studio	58	\$372	3 units 30% and below
		\$497	3 units at 40% and below
		\$621	8 units at 50% and below
		\$745	19 units 60% and below
		\$869	4 units 70% and below
		\$994	4 units 80% and below
		\$999	17 units 100% and below
One Bedroom	70	\$399	3 units at 30% and below
		\$532	4 units at 40% and below
		\$665	6 units at 50% and below
		\$798	25 units 60% and below
		\$931	9 units 70% and below
		\$1,065	3 units 80% and below
		\$1,070	20 units 100% and below
Two Bedroom	72	\$479	3 units at 30% and below
		\$639	3 units at 40% and below
		\$798	4 units at 50% and below
		\$958	11 units at 60% and below
		\$1,118	9 units at 70% and below
		\$1,278	2 units at 80% and below
		\$1,499	40 units 100% and below

ALTERNATIVES:

Planning and Community Development Committee may elect not to forward this item to City Council which would adversely impact the ability of the developer to proceed with the project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This authorizes Resolution for multifamily rental housing development projects by applicants seeking Non-Competitive 4% Housing Tax Credits with the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the 2019 or 2020 program. There is no fiscal impact to the FY 2020 General Fund.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Planning and Community Development Committee forward this item to City Council with a recommendation of approval of a Resolution of No Objection for the development of Tampico Apartments, a 200-unit multi-family rental housing development located at 200 Tampico in Council District 5.