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Agenda Memorandum

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DEPARTMENT: Neighborhood & Housing Services Department

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COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Council District 4

SUBJECT:

Adopting a Resolution of No Objection for Streamline Advisory Partners' application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the Non-Competitive 4% Housing Tax Credits program.

SUMMARY:

Streamline Advisory Partners 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 the Old Pearsall Road Apartments, a 324-unit affordable multi-family rental housing development located at the SE Corner of Old Pearsall Road and Loop 410 in Council District 4.

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. Housing Tax Credits 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 application is 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 60 out of 100 points from the City's scoring criteria outlined in the Housing Tax Credit Policy adopted by City Council October 31, 2019.

ISSUE:

Streamline Advisory Partners is 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 construction of the Old Pearsall Road Apartments, a 324-unit multi-family rental housing development located at the SE Corner of Old Pearsall Road and Loop 410 in Council District 4. TDHCA requires a Resolution of No Objection from the local governing body for a 4% HTC project.

The property is located in Council District 4. The applicant met with the Council District 4 office to provide all pertinent information regarding the proposed HTC project.

Any 4% HTC application earning between 60 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. The application received 15 experience points, and 72 points in total and is eligible to receive a Resolution of No Objection.

The applicant was not awarded points for public engagement because they did not hold a public meeting per the rules outlined the policy and application. However, the developer plans to have a public meeting. The format and timing of the public meeting are still being determined in light of the developing COVID-19 situation.

The value of the TDHCA tax credit award to Old Pearsall Road Apartments would be approximately \$16.9 million over a ten year period. The total cost for this project will be approximately \$51 million. Of the 324-units, all will be rent restricted to 70% 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 \$49,700).

The 4% application is anticipated to be considered by the TDHCA Governing Board in July 2020. If approved, the estimated start date will be in October 2020 and the estimated project completion is April 2022.

The project is projected to contain the following unit mix:

Unit Mix	Number of Units	Monthly Rent	AMI Served
One Bedroom	12	\$399	4 units at 30% and below
		\$532	2 units at 40% and below
		\$665	2 units at 50% and below
		\$798	2 units at 60% and below
		\$931	2 units at 70% and below
Two Bedroom	144	\$479	4 units at 30% and below
		\$639	12 units at 40% and below
		\$798	2 units at 50% and below
		\$958	90 units at 60% and below
		\$1,118	36 units at 70% and below
Three Bedroom	136	\$553	4 units at 30% and below
		\$738	12 units at 40% and below
		\$923	2 units at 50% and below
		\$1,107	89 units at 60% and below
		\$1,292	29 units at 70% and below
Four Bedroom	32	\$618	4 units at 30% and below
		\$824	5 units at 40% and below
		\$1,030	2 units at 50% and below
		\$1,236	9 units at 60% and below
		\$1,342	12 units at 70% and below

ALTERNATIVES:

City Council may elect not to approve a Resolution of No Objection which would adversely impact the ability of the developer to proceed with the project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This approves a Resolution of No Objection for Streamline Advisory Partners' application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for the Non-Competitive 4% Housing Tax Credits program for the construction of the Old Pearsall Road Apartments, a 324 unit affordable multi-family rental housing development, located at SE Corner of Old Pearsall Road and Loop 410 in Council District 4. There is no fiscal impact to the City's budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends forwarding this item to the full City Council for consideration of a Resolution of No Objection for the construction of the Old Pearsall Road Apartments, a 324-unit multi-family rental housing development located at the SE Corner of Old Pearsall Road and Loop 410 in Council District 4 in San Antonio, Texas.