Recommendation for Action

File #: 20-3251, Agenda Item #: 57.

10/15/2020

Posting Language

Conduct a public hearing related to an application by LDG Walnut Trace, LP, or an affiliated entity, for housing tax credits for a multi-family development that will be financed through the private activity bond program to be known as Walnut Trace, located at or near the southeast quadrant of Highway 183 and FM 969, Austin, Texas, 78725, within the City; and consider a resolution related to the proposed development, the application, and the allocation of housing tax credits and private activity bonds.

Lead Department

Housing and Planning.

Fiscal Note

No funding from the City of Austin or the Austin Housing Finance Corporation is being requested. This item has no fiscal impact.

Prior Council Action:

<u>October 1, 2020</u> - Austin City Council set a public hearing for October 15, 2020 regarding an application by LDG Walnut Trace, LP, for housing tax credits for a multi-family development that will be financed through the private activity bond program.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

This action conducts a public hearing to receive public comment on an application that will be (or has been) submitted to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA). The Applicant, LDG Walnut Trace, LP, or an affiliated entity, seeks funding for the Development through 4% Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) and private activity bonds. The property is located within Council District 1.

After the public hearing, Council will consider a resolution about the proposed development, the application, and, if necessary, the allocation of housing tax credits and private activity bonds.

Proposed Development

LDG Walnut Trace, LP, which is an affiliate of parent company LDG Development, is planning to develop a 236 unit multi-family development to be located at or near the southeast quadrant of Highway 183 and FM 969, Austin, Texas, 78725. The community will be affordable to households earning at or below 70% of the Austin Median Family Income (MFI). The development is proposed to be partially funded with 4% Low Income Housing Tax Credits and tax-exempt bonds issued by Austin Affordable Public Facility Commission (AAPFC). An affiliate of AAPFC will be the General Partner of the Development's Partnership, thereby allowing for a full

property tax exemption. No funding from the Austin Housing Finance Corporation is being requested.

The proposed development's application to the City, as well as socioeconomic characteristics and amenities in the surrounding area, may be found at

https://austintexas.gov/department/low-income-housing-tax-credit-4-percent-applications