## **St. Francis Center West PAB**



**Finance and Governance Committee** 

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# **Legislative Summary**

Resolution request to approve and evidence the intention of the City and County of Denver to issue an amount not to exceed \$12.5M of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds for the St. Francis Center West project to support the acquisition, construction, and equipping of an affordable housing project.

- The St. Francis Center West project is new construction of a 3-story, 60-unit affordable housing project to be located 221 N. Federal Blvd., developed by The St. Francis Center, or its affiliates.
- The project is anticipated to be a supportive housing community for elderly citizens and households experiencing homelessness.
- The underlying Area Median Income ("AMI") limits are set at 30% with tenants paying no more than 30% of their income (if any) due to support of a Housing Assistance Payments Contract ("HAP") provided by the Colorado Division of Housing.
- The project is anticipated to include 51 one-bedroom units and 9 two-bedroom units.



#### **PAB Overview**

#### **Private Activity Bond (PAB) capacity**

- PABs are tax-exempt bonds issued by or on behalf of the City, often to help attract
  investments into projects with a public benefit, like affordable housing.
- Through PABs, the City can borrow at tax-exempt rates for entities to lower the borrowing costs, but the City does not pledge its credit for these bonds.
- PABs allow entities to access Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC), which further reduces the borrowing costs.
- The Internal Revenue Service allows a limited amount of tax-exempt PABs to be issued, thus
  creating a PAB allocation process based on a state's population.
- PABs are <u>not</u> voter-approved bonds pledging the City's full faith and credit.

# **PAB Financing**

#### City intends to use a portion of its PAB capacity for the project

- PAB is a tax-exempt borrowing tool for a privately-owned project which meets a
  qualified public purpose in this case long-term affordable rental housing.
  - Interest paid on the bonds is exempt from federal taxation, thus lowering the interest rate and costs for the project.
  - If a multi-family project is awarded 4% LIHTCs, the IRS requires at least 50% of the project costs to be financed with PABs.
  - The amount of PABs that can be issued in a state is limited under federal law based on the state's population; the issuer must therefor allocate a portion of the limited PAB capacity to the financing.
- PAB issuance typically requires two legislative actions:
  - 1. Inducement Resolution- reserves the PAB capacity for the project.
  - 2. Bond Ordinance- approves the bonds and related financing documents.

#### **Inducement Resolution**

- Officially reserves \$12,500,000 of PAB capacity specifically for the St. Francis Center West project.
- Requires the project to come back to City Council to issue the bonds and approve all necessary financing documents.
- After passage the Inducement Resolution sets a date of reference for IRS regulations.
  - Costs incurred 60 days prior to the Inducement Resolution become eligible bond expenses.

# **Anticipated Timeline**

- Inducement resolution timeline
  - Week of March 6, 2023- Committee or consent
  - March 14, 2023- Mayor Council
  - March 20, 2023- City Council meeting

#### Summer 2023-

Come back to City Council for bond ordinance approval and committee presentation.

# Questions:

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#### What is a PAB?

- A bond issued by local and state governments and agencies for the purpose of financing a project that is owned and operated by a private party.
- The interest paid on the bonds is exempt from Federal taxation.
- Essentially a PAB lowers the financing costs for a project.
  - Provides opportunities for affordable housing projects to be completed.
- The Internal Revenue Service allows a limited amount of tax-exempt PABs to be issued, thus creating the PAB allocation process based on a state's population.



#### PAB Allocation Process- administered by DOLA

Total PAB capacity based on state's population

Colorado was awarded \$700,791,120 in 2023

#### 50% of Cap to State Authorities-\$350,395,560

- •Colorado Housing and Finance Authority (CHFA)
- Colorado Agriculture Development Authority (CADA)

#### 48% of Cap to Local Issuers-\$336,662,358

- •Denver- \$42,903,655
- •Colorado Springs- \$29,163,118
- •Aurora- \$23,457,137
- •Douglas County- \$13,757,652
- •El Paso County- \$13,533,848

#### 2% of Cap to Statewide Balance- \$13,733,202

- •Remaining or relinquished PAB Cap
- •Available to all issuers upon application to DOLA
- •September 15<sup>th</sup>, relinquished PAB Cap becomes part of the statewide balance
- •December 31st, unallocated PAB Cap expires unless distributed to a local authority with the ability to carryforward up to 3 years



#### **PAB Allocation Parameters**

- Once local government is awarded the PAB allocation, the IRS allows the PAB allocation to be carried forward up to 3 years.
- By Feb. 15 each year the IRS requires issuers to make an irrevocable election for the carryforward from the previous year.
  - Issuers elect to carry forward their PAB into "buckets". Historically Denver has designated its carryforward towards Single Family Mortgage/MCC and Multifamily uses.
- Typically, the City applies for and receives additional PAB allocation from the unused Statewide Balance.



#### City Use of PABs

- Typically in Denver PABs have been used for:
  - Affordable Housing Projects
  - Mortgage Credit Certificate Programs

#### City's PAB Partners

- Denver Housing Authority
  - Provides affordable housing options to citizens
- Colorado Housing Finance Authority
  - Provides affordable housing and financing options for income restricted housing units
- Private Developers
  - Provides Low Income Housing Tax Credit projects creating income restricted housing units.



#### **Denver's Current PAB Allocations as of February 2023**

Sources and Uses of PAB Allocation									
DAR Voor	Sources		Head	Source/Use Description	Rema	aining PAB (incl.	Current Carryforward Amounts Remaining		Fundantia a
PAB Year			<u>Uses</u>			proposed)	Single Family & MCC	<u>Multifamily</u>	<u>Expiration</u>
2023	\$	42,903,655		Direct Allocation for 2023	\$	42,903,655	TBD in Feb. '24	TBD in Feb. '24	12/31/2026
2022	\$	2,500,000 39,668,757	•	3) \$32MM- 2023 DHA Delegation- Sun Valley Flo \$37MM- 2022 DHA Delegation- Sun Valley Sol 2022 Statewide Balance Award Direct Allocation for 2022	\$	1,000,000	\$ -	\$ 41,168,757	12/31/2025
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Total PAB A	Allocat	tion Capacity:	•		\$	43,903,655	\$ -	\$ 62,041,667	



<sup>-</sup> This color represents proposed PAB uses & sources.

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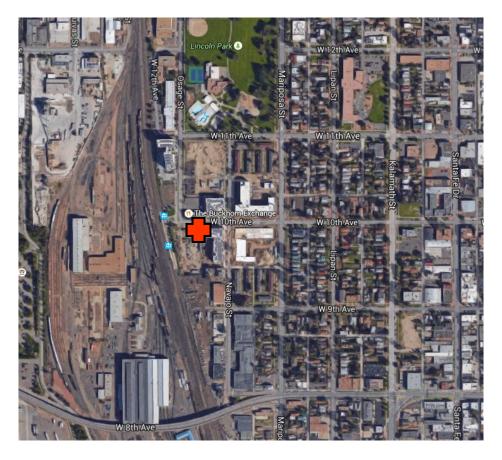
# Projects/Programs Supported by Denver's PAB Allocation

- 2300 Welton
- Mariposa Phase VII
- The Colburn
- The Stella
- Avenida del Sol
- Rhonda's Place
- The Forum

- The Rose on Colfax
- FreshLo
- Northfield Flats
- Various CHFA Projects
- Various DHA Projects
- Various MCC Programs



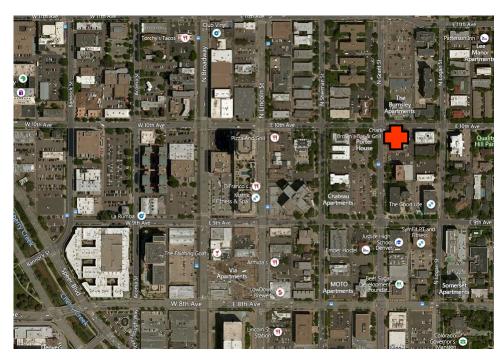
## Mariposa Phase VII- 10<sup>th</sup> and Osage





- •Phase VII is a project in the larger Mariposa Development
- •Mix of 45 senior/disabled apartment housing units.
- •All 45 units are ADA assessable
  - •10 units @ 50% AMI
  - •35 units @ 60% AMI

#### The Colburn- 980 Grant St.

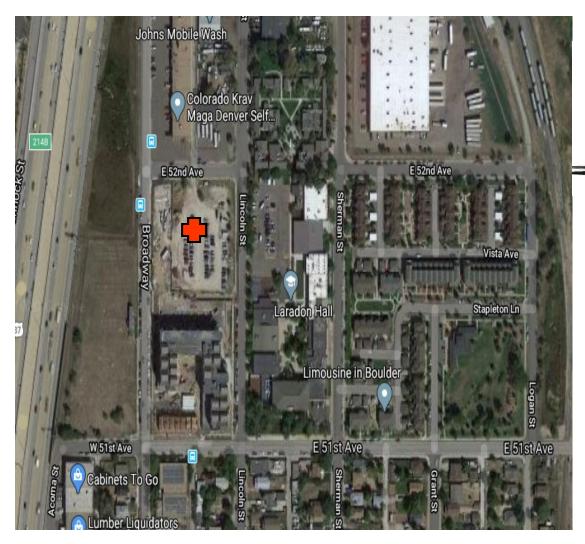


- Preservation and rehabilitation project
- •91 one-bed efficiency apartment housing units.
  - •23 units @ 30% AMI
  - •68 units @ 60% AMI
- •60 year covenant period due to \$3.45M City loan





#### The Stella- 5190 N. Broadway





- New construction project
- •132 unit apartment housing units.
  - •16 units @ 30% AMI
  - •97 units @ 60% AMI
  - •18 units @ 80% AMI
- •60 year covenant period due to \$3.5M City loan

#### Avenida del Sol- 5190 N. Broadway

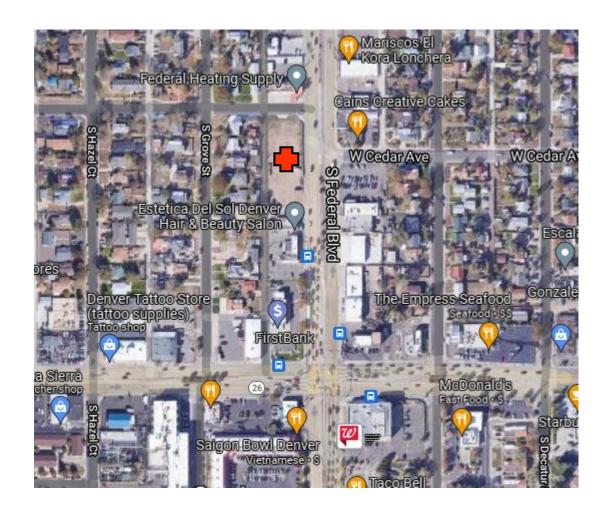




- New construction project
- •80 unit apartment housing units.
  - •4 units @ 30% AMI
  - •18 units @ 40% AMI
  - •37 units @ 60% AMI
  - •20 units @ 80% AMI
- •50 year covenant period due to \$1.4M City loan



#### Rhonda's Place- 211 S. Federal Blvd.





- New construction project
- •50 unit apartment housing units.
  - •49 units @ 30% AMI
  - 1 manager unit
- •50 year covenant period due to \$1.250M City loan

### Various CHFA Projects- Statewide

Project	PAB Allocation Used	# of Units	Type of Units
Copper Peak Apartments Project	\$21,956,795	240	Low income housing units
Northfield at Stapleton Project	\$8,000,000	84	Low income housing units
Renaissance at North Colorado Station Project	\$3,000,000	24	Low income housing units
Westlake Towers Apartments Project	\$5,000,000	50	Low income housing units
13th Avenue II Apartments Project	\$14,000,000	117	Low income housing units
Federally Insured Multi-Family Housing Loan Program Pass-Through Revenue Bonds (Crisman Apartments Project), Series 2016-II	\$10,000,000	114	Low income housing units
Multifamily Note (Manor I and Manor II Apartments Project) Series 2016	\$6,000,000	76	Rehab of low income housing units
Multifamily Revenue Note (Maryel Manor Project) Series 2016	\$2,500,000	50	Low income rental housing units
Multifamily Housing Revenue Bond (Broadway Lofts Project) Series 2016	\$14,000,000	111	Low income housing units
Multifamily Mortgage Revenue Bonds (Centennial Park Apartments Project) Series 2016A & Multifamily Housing Revenue Draw Down Bond (Centennial Park Apartments Project) Series 2016B	\$20,000,000	140	Low income housing units
Multifamily Housing Revenue Note (Congress Park Commons Project), Series 2016	\$3,500,000	32	Low income housing units
Multifamily Housing Revenue Note (Shorter Arms Apartments Project), Series 2016	\$5,000,000	43	Low income housing units
Multi-Family Housing Loan Program Pass-Through Revenue Bonds (Willow Street Residences Project), Series 2016-III	\$5,000,000	80	Rental housing facility
Multifamily Housing Revenue Note (Del Corazon Project), Series 2016	\$13,493,558	197	Rental housing facility
Total	\$131,450,353	1,358	



# Various DHA Projects- Citywide

Project	PAB Allocation Used	# of Units	Type of Units
Platte Valley and Gateway North	\$30,000,000	163	Low income housing units
Vida	\$20,000,000	112	Low income housing units
Lowry	\$11,000,000	72	Low income housing units
Mariposa	\$7,500,000	45	Low income housing units
Broadway & Studebaker	\$25,000,000	192	Low income housing units
Total	\$93,500,000	584	



# Various MCC Programs- Citywide

MCC Program	PAB Allocation Used	# of MCCs Granted	Program Highlights
2009 MCC Program	\$25,000,000	130	20% credit, no maximum
2012 MCC Program	\$25,000,000	139	30% credit up to \$2,000 maximum
2015 MCC Program	\$37,500,000	165	30% credit up to \$2,000 maximum
2016 MCC Program	\$40,000,000	164	25% credit up to \$2,000 maximum
2017 MCC Program	\$65,000,000	252	25% credit up to \$2,000 maximum
Total	\$192,500,000	990	

