

## MEMORANDUM

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**To:** The Chairperson and Members

**From:** Eric Enderlin

President

**Date:** March 24, 2023

**Re:** Resolution of Declaration of Intent

Carmen Villegas Apartments

101 East 110th Street

Manhattan, New York 10029

Block: 1638 Lot: 1

Attached is a Resolution of Declaration of Intent (the "Resolution") for a proposed new construction project located at 101 East 110th Street, Manhattan, New York, which is currently under review by the Corporation. The developer will be a single-purpose entity to be owned and formed by Carmen Villegas Apartments LLC, consisting of Ascendant Neighborhood Development Corporation (whose principals are John Warren, Kristina Wiig and Margaret Davino), Urban Builders Collective (whose principals are Nick Lettire and Gerard Lettire) and Xylem Projects (whose principal is Nnenna Lynch). The developer has requested that the Members adopt the Resolution on the project's behalf. Should HDC utilize tax-exempt bond proceeds to provide financing for the proposed project, it will be operated in accordance with the restrictions of the Internal Revenue Code.

As indicated in the attached project summary sheet, the developer intends to construct one, 28-story building with 218 units, located at 101 East 110th Street in Manhattan.

The Resolution is an official intent of the Corporation for tax code purposes which can enable certain expenditures incurred as early as 60 days prior to the date of adoption of such Resolution to qualify for reimbursement from the proceeds of tax-exempt bond financing. However, the Corporation's agreement to issue bonds may only be authorized by further action by the Members.

A fact sheet with a brief description of the project is attached (see "Exhibit A"

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# RESOLUTION OF DECLARATION OF INTENT TO REIMBURSE FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX-EXEMPT REVENUE BONDS TO BE ISSUED BY OF THE NEW YORK CITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

WHEREAS, Article 12 of the Private Housing Finance law, constituting the New York City Housing Development Corporation Act (the "Act"), authorizes the New York City Housing Development Corporation (the "Corporation") to encourage the investment of private capital and provide dwelling accommodations for occupancy by persons and families for whom the ordinary operations of private enterprise cannot provide an adequate supply of safe, sanitary and affordable housing accommodations, or for units located in an area certified or designated as blighted; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation may be requested to provide all or part of the construction and/or permanent financing of a residential development known as Carmen Villegas Apartments located at 101 East 110th Street, Manhattan (the "Project") as more fully described in Exhibit A. A portion of the Project is expected to provide dwelling accommodations for occupancy by persons and families for whom the ordinary operations of private enterprise cannot provide an adequate supply of safe, sanitary, and affordable housing accommodations and/or provide housing accommodations in an area certified or designated as blighted; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation is desirous of assisting in the financing of such Project, to the extent permitted by law, if such assistance will either increase or assure the availability of dwelling accommodations for occupancy by persons and families for whom the ordinary operations of private enterprise cannot provide an adequate supply of safe, sanitary, and affordable housing accommodations and/or provide housing accommodations in an area certified or designated as blighted, and

**WHEREAS**, the Corporation, in the course of assisting the proposed mortgagor entity of the Project (the "Borrower") in the financing of the Project expects that the Borrower has paid or may pay certain expenditures (the "Reimbursement Expenditures") in connection with the Project within 60 days prior to the adoption of this Resolution and prior to the issuance of indebtedness for the purpose of financing costs of the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 1.142-4 and Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations require the Corporation to declare its reasonable official intent to reimburse prior expenditures for the Project with proceeds of a subsequent borrowing.

### **NOW THEREFORE,** the Corporation does hereby resolve as follows:

1. The Corporation may provide tax-exempt and/or taxable financing for the Project and pursuant to that intention the staff of the Corporation is authorized to develop a program for financing of the Project to the extent permitted by law, and for such purpose may consult with

the Borrower, and such others as may be deemed appropriate, subject in all events to the final approval of the terms of any financing by the Members of the Corporation.

- 2. The Corporation expects to finance all or a portion of the costs of the Project by the issuance on one or more dates of its obligations in an aggregate principal amount presently anticipated not to exceed \$114,780,000 (the "Obligations"), all or a portion of which would be issued on a tax-exempt basis.
- 3. The Corporation hereby states its intention and reasonably expects to reimburse costs of the Project incurred (if at all) prior to the issuance of the Obligations with proceeds of the Obligations.
- 4. This Resolution shall constitute official intent of the Corporation with respect to such Project for purpose of the Internal Revenue Code and otherwise. This Resolution is being adopted by the Corporation for purposes of establishing compliance with the requirements of Section 1.142-4 and Section 1.150-2 of the Treasury Regulations.
  - 5. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

#### "Exhibit A"

#### Carmen Villegas Apartments 101 East 110th Street Manhattan, NY

**Project Location:** 101 East 110th Street

Manhattan, New York 10029

Block 1638, Lot 1

HDC Program: ELLA

Project Description: The Project entails the new construction of one building containing 218

residential units, 2,176 square feet of commercial space, and 1,392 square feet of community space in the East Harlem neighborhood of Manhattan. The building will house low-income residents over the age of 62 and at least 30% of the units

will be set aside for the formerly homeless.

**Expected Total Units**: Unit Size No. of Units Studio No. of Units Studio

 Studio
 173

 1 Bedroom
 44

 2 Bedroom
 1

 Total Units\*
 218

**Expected Tax Abatement type**: 420(c) – residential portion

ICAP – commercial portion

Estimated Tax-Exempt Bonds: \$114,780,000

Developer: Carmen Villegas Apartments LLC, a single purpose entity consisting of

Ascendant Neighborhood Development Corporation (whose principals are John Warren, Kristina Wiig and Margaret Davino), Urban Builders Collective (whose principals are Nick Lettire and Gerard Lettire) and Xylem Projects (whose

principal is Nnenna Lynch).

Architect: Magnusson Architecture and Planning

**General Contractor:** Lettire Construction Corp.

<sup>\*</sup> Total Units includes one, 2-bedroom superintendent's unit.