## ORDINANCE No. 189458

\*Approve application under the Multiple-Unit Limited Tax Exemption Program under the Inclusionary Housing Program for Arbor Lodge Apartments located at 6545 N Denver Ave (Ordinance)

The City of Portland Ordains:

## Section 1. The Council finds:

- 1. On behalf of the City of Portland, the Portland Housing Bureau ("PHB") administers the Multiple-Unit Limited Tax Exemption Program (the "MULTE Program" or "Program"), authorized under ORS 307.600-307.637 and City Code Chapter 3.103.
- 2. The MULTE Program provides a ten-year property tax exemption on the residential portion of the structural improvements so long as Program requirements are met. During the exemption period, property owners remain responsible for the payment of taxes on the assessed value of the land and any commercial portions of the project, except for those commercial improvements deemed a public benefit and approved for the exemption.
- 3. The MULTE Program is an incentive provided to developments complying with the City Inclusionary Housing Program, which requires 99 years of affordability.
- 4. PHB received a request for a 10-year property tax exemption for the development known as Arbor Lodge Apartments (the "Project") and located at 6545 N Denver Ave (the "Property"), in conjunction with the City's Inclusionary Housing Program. The Project, located in the Arbor Lodge neighborhood, will be a residential housing project and will restrict affordability on 15 percent of the Project's 66 units, which is 10 units, to households earning no more than 80 percent of Median Family Income ("MFI") at the time of lease-up. Those households will continue to be qualified tenants as long as their income remains below 100 percent MFI. Arbor Lodge LLC ("Owner") owns/ the property. The property will be developed by William Wilson Architects PC. Owner has yet to select a property manager of the Project.
- 5. The MULTE Program has an annual cap limiting the approval of new property tax exemptions to no more than 15 million dollars of new estimated foregone revenue within a five-year period, defined as any current year and the previous four years. Sufficient cap remains for the 2019 calendar year to include the Project's application.
- 6. PHB has the responsibility for reviewing compliance of applications with the minimum MULTE Program requirements and has concluded that the application for the Project does indeed meet the minimum Program requirements.

## NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. The request for a 10-year property tax exemption under the MULTE Program is hereby approved for 15 percent of the residential portion of the structural improvements of Arbor Lodge, including 15 percent of residential parking and common areas.
- b. Approval of the application is provided subject to the Project meeting the following conditions:
  - 1. The Project must restrict 15 percent of its units to households earning no more than 80 percent MFI (the "Restricted Units"). The Restricted Units will reflect the unit-mix in the Project.
  - 2. The application will comply with the Program requirements established in City Code Chapter 3.103, including the requirement that the owner sign a Regulatory Agreement and report annually to PHB each tax year that the exemption and affordability restrictions are in effect.
  - 3. The Restricted Units will be built to meet all minimum Americans with Disabilities Act and Fair Housing Act requirements. The Project will also be built to ensure at least five percent of the Restricted Units, totaling one, be fully adaptable to become fully accessible per ADA and FHA standards if necessary to accommodate tenants with disabilities.
- c. PHB shall provide a copy of this Ordinance to the Multnomah County Tax Assessor as prescribed by City Code Section 3.103.050 (A).
- d. If, prior to the completion of construction, the Project is changed in any way that would reduce the number, percentage or distribution of the Restricted Units in the Project, or the approved public benefits provided, Owner must provide written notice to PHB. If such changes still conform to the Program requirements, PHB will amend the Regulatory Agreement. Such amendment would not be subject to City Council approval if changes are minor and would result in substantially the same Project.

Section 2. The Council declares an emergency exists because timely City approval of the application for the MULTE Program is necessary in order to allow the Project to meet requirements to approve the building permit as outlined by the Bureau of Development Services; therefore, this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council:

APR 17 2019

Mayor Ted Wheeler

Prepared by: Cassie Graves

Date Prepared: March 13, 2019

Mary Hull Caballero

Auditor of the City of Portland

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Deputy

Agenda No.

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INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Ted Wheeler	CLERK USE: DATE FILED APR 09 2019
COMMISSIONER APPROVAL	Mary Hull Caballero
Mayor—Finance & Administration - Wheeler	Auditor of the City of Portland
Position 1/Utilities - Fritz	
Position 2/Works - Fish	By:
Position 3/Affairs - Hardesty	Deputy
Position 4/Safety - Eudaly	ACTION TAKEN:
BUREAU APPROVAL	
Bureau: Housing Bureau Head: Shapnon V. Callahan	
Prepared by: Cassie Graves Date Prepared: March 13, 2019	
Impact Statement Completed ⊠ Amends Budget □	
Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes  No	
City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances	
City Attorney Approval: required for contract, code, easement, franchise, comp plan, charter	
Council Meeting Date: April 17, 2019	

AGENDA		
TIME CERTAIN  Start time:		
Total amount of time needed:(for presentation, testimony and discussion)		
<u>CONSENT</u> ⊠		
REGULAR		
Total amount of time needed:(for presentation, testimony and discussion)		

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz		
2. Fish	2. Fish	-	
3. Hardesty	3. Hardesty		
4. Eudaly	4. Eudaly		
Wheeler	Wheeler		