

#### MEMORANDUM

To:

The Chairperson and Members

From:

Gary Rodney

President

Date:

February 25, 2016

Re:

Resolution of Declaration of Intent

302-310 West 127th Street

New York, New York

Block 1953, Lots 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41

Attached is a Resolution of Declaration of Intent (the "Resolution") for a proposed new construction development located on West 127<sup>th</sup> Street in Manhattan which is currently under review by the Corporation. The developer, a single purpose entity to be formed by Center for Urban Community Services, Inc., 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, the project 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 a rental housing facility consisting of 114 residential rental units located at 302-310 West 127<sup>th</sup> Street in New York, NY.

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 such Resolution to qualify for tax-exempt bond financing. However, the Corporation's agreement to issue bonds may only be expressed in the Corporation's bond purchase agreement, which requires further authorization by the Members.

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

# RESOLUTION OF DECLARATION OF INTENT 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 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 located at 302-310 West 127<sup>th</sup> Street in New York, NY (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.

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

- 1. The Corporation may provide 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 proposed mortgagor entity of the Project, 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 the Project by the issuance of its obligations in an aggregate principal amount presently anticipated not to exceed \$30,150,000, all or a portion of which would be issued on a tax-exempt basis.
- 3. This resolution shall constitute official intent of the Corporation with respect to such Project for purpose of the Internal Revenue Code and otherwise.
  - 4. This resolution shall be effective immediately.

### "Exhibit A"

# 302-310 West 127<sup>th</sup> Street New York, New York

**Project Location:** 

302-310 West 127th Street

New York, New York

Block 1953, Lots 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41

**HDC Program:** 

**ELLA** 

**Project Description:** 

This project will facilitate the new construction of 114 dwelling units on six contiguous lots on West 127th Street in the Harlem neighborhood of Manhattan. The project square footage is projected at 109,350 including

1,500 square feet of community facility space.

**Expected Total Units:** 

53 Studio
 27 1 BR
 28 2 BR

5 3 BR

1 2 BR Superintendent's Unit

114 Total Units

Expected tax abatement type:

Article XI or 420-c

**Estimated HDC First Mortgage:** 

\$30,150,000

Developer:

A single-purpose entity, CUCS Housing Development Fund Corporation IV, to be formed by the principals of Center for Urban Community Services, Inc. (CUCS)

**Architect:** 

Harden - Van Arnam Architects PLLC

**General Contractor:** 

**TBD**