

# **Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council Item ID 57562 Agenda Number 36.

Meeting Date: 5/5/2016 Department: Neighborhood and Community Development

Subject

Set a public hearing to consider a resolution supporting an application to be submitted to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs by Austin Travis County Integral Care, or an affiliated entity, for a proposed affordable multi-family development to be called Housing First Oak Springs Apartments located at 3000 Oak Springs Drive. (Suggested date and time: June 9, 2016 beginning at 4:00 p.m. at Austin City Hall, 301 W. Second Street, Austin, TX.) (District 1).

## Amount and Source of Funding

#### Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	Betsy Spencer, NHCD Director, 512-974-3182; David Potter, NHCD Program Manager, 512-974-3192
Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:	December 11, 2014 – The Austin Housing Finance Corporation Board of Directors authorized negotiation and execution of a loan agreement with ATCIC in the amount of \$3,000,000 for this development.
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

## Additional Backup Information

This action will set a public hearing concerning approval of a resolution as required by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) 2016 Uniform Multi-family Rules. The applicant must submit to TDHCA a resolution of no objection from the applicable governing body in which the proposed development is located. This proposed development is located in District 1.

#### **Proposed Project**

Austin Travis County Integral Care (ATCIC) responded to a 2014 Request for Proposals issued by the Austin Housing Finance Corporation and was selected to develop 50-units of "Housing First" Permanent Supportive Housing located at 3000 Oak Springs Drive. The development would be 100% affordable to persons with incomes at or below 50% Median Family Income (MFI), currently \$27,250 for a 1-person household. The development, to be known as the Housing First Oak Springs Apartments, is proposed to be partially funded with 4% Low Income Housing Tax Credits, and Private Activity Bonds to be issued by Austin Housing Finance Corporation.

#### **Project Attributes**

- The target population will be individuals with incomes at or below 30% of the Median Family Income (MFI), currently \$16,350 for a 1-person household, but will be restricted to persons with incomes no greater than 50% MFI.I.
- All units will be Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) units, and will be operated under the Housing First
  model, which serves individuals who have experienced chronic homelessness and have one or more barriers
  to maintaining housing.
- ATCIC currently owns the property.
- The unit mix will include:
  - o 50 1-bed/1-bath efficiency units
- Tenants will have access to a range of support services including person-centered services based on individual needs, ongoing case management, and access to mainstream services.
- This development will help to achieve the city-wide four-year goal of 400 Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) units, to include 200 Housing First PSH units, by the year 2019.

### Current Property Tax Status and Future Impact

The property is currently 100% exempt from property taxation according to Travis Central Appraisal District and is owned by Austin Travis County Integral Care (ATCIC).

### Austin Travis County Integral Care (ATCIC)

Austin Travis County Integral Care (ATCIC) has developed 31 properties including 13 apartment complexes and 8 community living facilities, and currently operates 44 facilities. In the past ten years ATCIC has acquired and rehabilitated 5 buildings, and continued to manage 15 additional properties during this time. Three of these properties were Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) communities, with two of these communities serving individuals under the Housing First model.

ATCIC was established in 1967 and provides community-based mental health, and substance abuse services to adults and children who are the most severely disabled and who are most in need of services. These services include psychiatric evaluations, 24-hour crisis interventions, medication treatment, inpatient treatment, employment and vocational services, service coordination, family support and respite care, housing, information and referral, supported living and residential services.

For more information on the proposed project, as well as socioeconomic characteristics and amenities in the surrounding area, please see the project's Development Information Packet here: <a href="http://austintexas.gov/page/fy-15-16-funding-applications">http://austintexas.gov/page/fy-15-16-funding-applications</a>.