GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2012, 5:00 P.M. ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE ROOM 2ND FLOOR, CITY HALL 250 N. 5TH STREET

To become the most livable community west of the Rockies by 2025

- 1. Grand Junction Housing Authority Village Park Apartments Fee Request:
 A request to have the City pay certain development fees for Village Park
 Apartments, a proposed affordable multi-family development, consisting of 72
 units, located at 28 ¼ Road and Patterson Road.

 Attach W-1
- 2. Council Boards Updates



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT WORKSHOP

Date: March 8, 2012

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March 21, 2012

Proposed Meeting Date:

Topic: Grand Junction Housing Authority Village Park Apartments Fee Request

Staff (Name & Title): Tim Moore, Public Works and Planning Director Kathy Portner, Neighborhood Services Manager

Summary:

A request to have the City pay certain development fees for Village Park Apartments, a proposed affordable multi-family development, consisting of 72 units, located at 28 ¼ Road and Patterson Road.

Background, Analysis and Options:

The Grand Junction Housing Authority Village Park property, located at 28 ¼ Road and Patterson Road, consists of 6.7 acres and is zoned PD. The Housing Authority is proposing to build 72 affordable rental units in Phase I of the development and 60 units in Phase II. The PD zoning allows for the number of units proposed. The project will go through a Major Site Plan Review process. Construction of Phase I is anticipated to begin by late summer.

The Housing Authority is requesting assistance with the development fees associated with Phase I of the project. The Comprehensive Plan identifies the need to provide a broader mix of housing types in the community to meet the needs of a variety of incomes, family types and life stages. In addition, the Grand Valley Housing Strategy identified a 10-year demand for 440 rental units annually. Although market conditions have changed dramatically, the Housing Authority is seeing an increasing need for affordable housing. The Village Park Apartments will help meet those needs.

Board or Committee Recommendation:

NA

Financial Impact/Budget:

The applicant is requesting the City pay the following development fees:

TCP \$127,368
 Parks fee \$ 16,200
 Sewer PIF \$176,256
 Total \$319.824

These fees would be covered by the General Fund through a transfer into the TCP Fund, Parkland Expansion Fund, and Joint Sewer Fund respectively. The Housing Authority hopes to break ground by late summer of 2012; however, payment of the development fees could be deferred to 2013, otherwise, a supplemental appropriation would be made in 2012.

Legal issues:
NA
Other issues:
NA
Previously presented or discussed:
NA

Attachments:

- Letter of Request
- Location Map
- Project Narrative
- Conceptual Plan

Serving the community by making safe housing affordable.

March 14, 2012

Mayor Tom Kenyon and Members of the

Grand Junction City Council

250 North Fifth Street

Grand Junction, CO 81501



Dear Mayor Kenyon and City Council Members:

The Grand Junction Housing Authority is preparing to develop the first phase of its Village Park parcel, located on Patterson Road at 28 ¼ Road, which we acquired in 2007. The land is part of a PUD, which specifies that it is to be developed as 132 units of multi-family housing. GJHA plans to develop the 72-unit first phase beginning this Fall. The second phase, 60 apartments focused on the needs of seniors, will be deferred to a future date.

We have completed the initial design work, and have prepared a financing plan for the development. We have submitted an application for Low Income Housing Tax Credits, a federal tax incentive to encourage corporate investment in affordable housing nationwide. We plan to seek grant funding from the State of Colorado, Division of Housing. Each of these external funding sources looks to the local community for financial support, as evidence of a local commitment to affordable housing. GJHA has committed to loan up to \$250,000 to the development. We seek financial support from the City of Grand Junction to complete the financing package.

Construction of Village Park will be expedited to respond to strong demand for affordable housing in the Grand Valley, and to capitalize on a favorable environment for construction bidding, as several large local construction projects are nearing completion. With favorable responses to our funding applications, we plan to break ground as early as mid-September. Our Design-Build Team of Shaw Builders and OZ Architecture has committed to seeking local sub-contractors for the work, and estimate that 246 jobs will be filled by local workers during the 12 month construction process. The total hard costs of the development are budgeted at \$9.85 million.

The City Development Impact Fees (Park Impact Fee, Transportation Impact, and Sewer Tap Fees) total approximately \$320,000. The School Land Fee will be an additional \$33,120. We seek financial assistance from the City to pay the \$320,000 in Development Impact Fees.

Attached are copies of the site plan and exterior building elevations for Village Park. The Homeowners Association covenants require that the multi-family development be visually compatible with the commercial center at the southern boundary of the site, which explains the stucco exterior for the new development.

The City has a long history of supporting affordable housing. The Village Park development meets the City's criteria for supporting infill development, and dispersed workforce and affordable housing. It will be an attractive new community and an asset to the Grand Valley.

Sincerely,

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VILLAGE PARK

A SIGNATURE MULTIFAMILY DEVELOPMENT BY GRAND JUNCTION HOUSING AUTHORITY





COMMUNITY . SITE PLAN

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ONE BEDROOM TWO BEDROOM THREE BEDROOM

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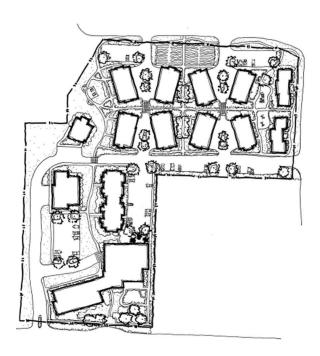
Village Park Location Map



Project Description

Village Park units will be in two-story walkup buildings. Units are "stacked flats." A final site plan has not been developed but the preliminary plan below shows the general location of the 72 family units in the current phase and a planned second phase consisting of 60 units. Delivery of the first phase is anticipated in 2013.

Village Park Preliminary Site Plan



The following tables present the proposed number of units by type, size and income level; the proposed contract rents and rent per square foot; and the income ranges to be served by Village Park:

Table 6									
Number of Units by Bedroom Size and Income Level Village Park									
				village	<u> </u>				
	30%	40%	50%	60%		Total	% of		
	<u>AMI</u>	<u>AMI</u>	<u>AMI</u>	<u>AMI</u>	<u>Market</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Type</u>
1 br	2	2	2	2	0	8	11%	725-750	Flat
2 br/2 ba	2	8	20	14	0	44	61%	830-860	Flat
3 br	1	2	10	7	0	20	28%	1,050- 1.075	Flat
Total	5	12	32	23	0	72	100%	1,075	i iai
% of Total	7%	17%	44%	32%	0%	12	100%	na	na

Table 7								
<u>Proposed Monthly Rents</u> <u>Village Park</u>								
Proposed Rents:								
220	30% AMI	40% AMI	50% AMI	60% AMI	Market			
1 br	\$311	\$428	\$546	\$546	NA NA			
2 br/2 ba	\$369	\$510	\$651	\$651	NA			
3 br	\$418	\$582	\$746	\$746	NA			
Proposed Rent per Square Foot:								
	30% AMI	40% AMI	50% AMI	60% AMI	<u>Market</u>			
1 br	\$0.42	\$0.58	\$0.74	\$0.74	NA			
2 br/2 ba	\$0.44	\$0.60	\$0.77	\$0.77	NA			
3 br	\$0.39	\$0.55	\$0.70	\$0.70	NA			
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Minimum and Maximum LIHTC Incomes <u>Village Park</u>								
	Number in Household							
	1 person	2 persons	3 persons	4 persons	5+ persons			
30 Percent Minimum income Maximum income	\$10,650 \$13,250	\$10,650 \$15,150	\$12,780 \$17,050	\$14,760 \$18,900	\$14,760 \$20,450			
40 Percent Minimum income Maximum income	\$14,190 \$17,640	\$14,190 \$20,160	\$17,010 \$22,680	\$19,680 \$25,200	\$19,680 \$27,240			
50 Percent Minimum income Maximum income	\$17,730 \$22,050	\$17,730 \$25,200	\$21,270 \$28,350	\$24,570 \$31,500	\$24,570 \$34,050			
60 Percent Minimum income Maximum income Source: CHFA, JCRC	\$21,270 \$26,460	\$21,270 \$30,240	\$25,530 \$34,020	\$29,490 \$37,800	\$29,490 \$40,860			

The project site will include and playground and a picnic/BBQ area. There will be a manager on-site and a maintenance shop. Laundry facilities will be provided in each building (possibly on each floor) and individual units will not have hookups.

Units will be heated with gas, forced air furnaces and cooled with evaporative cooling units. Units will include dishwashers and microwaves in addition to the standard refrigerator, stove/oven and garbage disposal. Each unit will come with window coverings and an exterior storage closet. All will be individually metered and wired for cable and internet access. Tenants willed be billed individually for gas, electricity, telephone, cable and internet.

The site will include 116 surface parking spaces. This will meet the minimum parking requirements for the city of Grand Junction. These requirements are based on the bedroom distribution of the proposed multifamily residential use as shown below.

Table 9

Grand Junction Parking Requirements

Residential Use Parking Required

Multifamily – 1 bedroom1.25 per unitMultifamily – 2 bedroom1.5 per unitMultifamily – 3+ bedroom2 per unit

Source: Grand Junction Public Works & Planning

