

CHFA Capital Plan Property Assessment - Wapping Mews

Property Identification

Wapping Mews
SOUTH WINDSOR, CT

Total Current Unit Count: 30
Census Tract: 4872.01
Connecticut Congressional District: 1

CHFA Property Identification #: 85172D
Current State Sponsored Housing Program: SH Elderly

This is a single, stand-alone property. As there are no other adjacent properties under common ownership, there are no opportunities for consolidation to achieve greater efficiencies of scale.

Property Description

Tenancy Type: Elderly/Disabled
Structure Type: Low rise (1-4 floors)
Number of buildings: 9
Maximum # of Stories: 1
Elevator? None

Summary property description:

The Wapping Mews property has 30 one-bedroom units. Generally, the property consists of relatively small units. It features amenities such as common laundry, central air conditioning, and a common room.

Current Operating & Capital Needs Status

Aggregate Capital Needs
(without market enhancements): \$ 1,317,769

Capital Needs per Unit: \$ 43,926

Projected Year 1 (2014) Operating Income: \$ (19,049)

Current operations at the property are projected to generate negative \$19,000 in net operating income (NOI, or revenue after operating expenses) in Year 1 (2014). With incomes and expenses trending at 2% and 3% respectively, which is a standard affordable housing industry convention, the NOI figure decreases annually and this shortfall continues to grow. As a result, the property is not sustainable and cannot adequately address its future basic capital needs, projected to be approximately \$1.32 million (\$43,925 per unit) over the next 20 years.

Current average income relative to
the Area Median Income (AMI): 24%

	Current Base Rent	Affordability (% AMI)
Studio/efficiency unit:		
One-bedroom unit:	145	9%
Two-bedroom unit:		
Three-bedroom unit:		
Four-bedroom unit:		
Five-bedroom unit:		
Six-bedroom unit:		

	Proposed Base Rent	Affordability (% AMI)
Studio/efficiency unit:		
One-bedroom unit:	482	30%
Two-bedroom unit:		
Three-bedroom unit:		
Four-bedroom unit:		
Five-bedroom unit:		
Six-bedroom unit:		

Number of current households that would be
impacted by the proposed increase in Base Rent: 22

Rental operating subsidy necessary in 2014 to
generate revenue equal to raising the base rent
as proposed: \$ 81,680

Total rental operating subsidy necessary
assuming a turnover-based leasing strategy: \$ 477,300

In order for the property to operate in a sustainable manner into the foreseeable future, the property would benefit from greater revenues. This can happen in one of two ways - either the property could get operating subsidy from the state or federal government, or it could charge higher rents. A higher rent structure burdens low-income households to pay a greater their income for housing and it will require that the property serve tenants with modestly higher incomes.

Currently, base rents are set by the owner of each property, often in consultation with CHFA staff. While there varying definitions of affordability, this study considers a rent which exceeds 30% of a household's adjusted gross income to be burdensome on the household's monthly budget. In the table to the left, the base rent is identified for each unit size. The table also identifies the minimum household income level for which the base rent would be considered "affordable." The household income level is presented as a percentage of the local Area Median Income.

There are strong reasons to keep the base rents low, as low base rents provide affordable housing options for the state's lowest income residents and reduce the burden of operating subsidies on the State budget. However, if the property's revenue stream (including any available operating subsidy and any cross-subsidy from higher income residents) does not cover the cost of actually operating the property, including the cost of ongoing maintenance and capital improvements, the property itself is at risk.

The Capital Plan is intended to identify the real estate needs of the State Sponsored Housing Portfolio. In order to ensure a minimum revenue stream and in order to implement programmatic consistency regarding base rent levels, this analysis assumes that all base rents are adjusted in 2014 to equal the greater of a) the current base rent or b) 30% of the adjusted gross income of a household at 30% of AMI for the applicable household size, provided these levels do not exceed the local market. This base rent adjustment would represent a significant increase for some households. The analysis identifies the number of households that would be affected by such a change and the amount of operating subsidy needed to protect these households. If the owners elect not to raise the base rents as assumed in this analysis, the property is more likely to experience tight operating budgets towards the end of the Capital Plan subsidy period and will be less able to access leverage funding such as private debt.

Protecting the 22 Elderly/Disabled Households at risk in the event of a base rent increase is clearly a major concern. In 2014, the base rent increase creates the need for operating subsidy of \$81,679 to protect these households while generating the revenue equivalent to the proposed increase in the base rent.

This 2014 rental operating subsidy would recur annually, with inflation increases, for the next 20 years if the State determines that, as a policy matter, the property should continue serving households with an income profile equivalent to the current residents at the property. An alternative formulation assumes that, upon turnover, new residents would move in for whom the proposed base rent is affordable and tenant protection operating subsidies would no longer be necessary. This turnover strategy requires less operating subsidy from the State, but also reduces the number of units of housing available to the lowest income residents of the community. The total tenant protection operating subsidy associated with the increase in the base rent assuming that, on turnover, the units are leased to households able to pay the new base rent without assistance is \$477,300.

Revenue Adjustments Concurrent with a Recapitalization Transaction

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Household Income Level	Current Income Mix	Proposed Income Mix
0-25% of AMI	22	22
25-50% of AMI	6	6
50% of AMI or greater	2	2
Total number of units	30	30

With the revenue generated by the increase in the base rent or the provision of an equivalent operating subsidy, the property should operate under a sustainable revenue picture for the foreseeable future. As a result, no additional revenue adjustments from income mixing are recommended in connection with the transaction.

	Pre-Trans. Base Rent	Post-Trans. Base Rent
Studio/efficiency unit:		
One-bedroom unit:	482	482
Two-bedroom unit:		
Three-bedroom unit:		
Four-bedroom unit:		
Five-bedroom unit:		
Six-bedroom unit:		

Rental operating subsidy in the transaction year
which would be necessary to generate additional
revenue equal to that generated by income
mixing: \$ -

Transitional rental operating subsidy necessary
to protect current residents and permit a five-
year transition to income tier occupancy: \$ 0

Property used for market reference: Flax Hill

	Capital Surplus or (Gap)	Total (Gap) Funded by Subsidy inc. Capital & Operating
Current Scenario (excluding transaction costs):	(1,096,977)	(1,844,076)
Recoverable Grant Scenario:	(2,011,747)	(1,983,109)
CHFA/FHA Scenario:	(1,627,644)	(1,945,303)
4% LIHTC Scenario:	(1,169,744)	(1,496,195)
9% LIHTC Scenario:	(319,877)	(608,797)

The Capital Plan analysis considers five scenarios and the prospect under each scenario to address the property's capital and operational needs. Each scenario's capacity to address the property's capital needs is listed to the left, as represented by the Replacement Reserve (RM&R) balance at the end of 20 years. Also at left is the total gap, including both operating subsidy needs and capital subsidy needs, over the 20 year study period.

- The first scenario, the "Current Scenario" assumes the property continues operating as it currently is operated - no material change in the base rent and no implementation of income mixing strategies to shift the property's revenue picture. Consequently, there is no adverse impact on residents or on the opportunity to serve the income demographic currently holding tenancies. The current scenario uses the baseline capital needs as the anticipated capital investment for purposes of identifying the surplus or gap. However, the current scenario - unlike the other four scenarios - does not include any allowance for soft costs (architecture or design, relocation, developer overhead, etc.) or for general contractor overhead and profit (as it is assumed each trade would come to the site independently, without the need for overarching coordination).

- The second scenario, the "Recoverable Grant Scenario" assumes any revenue adjustments described above (i.e., if the analysis suggested an increase in base rent and/or introduction of a mixed-income framework, or the equivalent revenue from federal or state operating subsidy). The Recoverable Grant Scenario envisions a streamlined allocation of funds from the State to the property, implemented with standardized documents and minimal legal or due diligence transaction costs. The Recoverable Grant would be repaid to the State to the extent possible from cash flow. The Recoverable Grant Scenario is most frequently selected when the transaction is too small to warrant the transaction costs associated with alternative financing or if the market is too weak to support debt or equity leverage.

- The three remaining scenarios - "CHFA/FHA," "4% LIHTC" and "9% LIHTC" correspond to three different leverage transaction structures. Each scenario includes transaction costs appropriate to the nature of the transaction. (For example, legal fees in the two LIHTC scenarios are higher than in the CHFA/FHA scenario.) Typically, the CHFA/FHA scenario would generate the least amount of funds for capital improvements and the 9% LIHTC scenario would generate the greatest amount, with the 4% LIHTC scenario falling in between. The CHFA/FHA scenario is a debt-only scenario, using either CHFA or FHA-insured financing. The two LIHTC scenarios assume both debt and a syndication of low income housing tax credits. The 4% tax credits rely on the use of tax exempt bond financing and are generally available when needed. (The analysis assumes that the tax exempt bonds will be used for construction funding in order to generate the tax credits, but may not remain outstanding at the full amount after permanent debt conversion.) The 9% tax credits are a competitive and scarce resource so cannot be assumed to be available for all properties.

Recommended Transaction and Transaction Assumptions

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Recommended Transaction Option:	CHFA/FHA	The capital plan recommends using the debt-only scenario to finance the capital needs at this property. The property has positive NOI which can leverage debt sufficient to cover the long-term capital needs without the complexity of a tax credit transaction.
Recommended Transaction Year	2016	
Replacement Reserve Deposit PUPY:	350	This analysis has suggested a potential transaction year of 2016 based on a series of criteria outlined in the capital plan report. In short, the transaction year has been informed by the distribution of critical capital needs year-by-year at the property (i.e., roof, mechanical, structural components) and by the need to distribute the timing of capital transaction for properties within the State Sponsored Housing Portfolio over a period of years in order to manage scarce State-wide resources.
Debt Service Coverage in Transaction Year:	1.200	
Debt Service Coverage in Transaction Year 15:	1.346	This property has been underwritten assuming replacement reserve deposits of \$350 per unit per year, and assuming hard construction capital needs of \$1.32 million.
Pre-Transaction Capital Subsidy Needed:	-	
Transaction Capital Subsidy Needed:	1,627,644	The property is able to cover its capital needs from current replacement reserves through the date of the capital transaction, so no interim State support is needed.

Summary of Recommended Transaction

Under the CHFA/FHA scenario, the property yields \$62,172 in NOI in the transaction completion year, which includes \$350 per unit per year in replacement reserve deposits. After debt service, the property generates \$24,210 in cash flow in the capital transaction's completion year, trending to \$13,147 fifteen years thereafter. Post-transaction, distribution of cash flow is governed by the terms of the transaction documents and, to the extent not restricted by the documents, could be used at the owner's discretion for ongoing capital needs, owner's working capital or the owner's other priorities. The transaction raises \$660,000 in debt. The transaction results in a gap of \$1,627,000, all of which would need to be covered by State capital subsidy. This compares to a needs gap of over \$1,844,000 if no transaction takes place at the property and the capital needs are addressed through routine maintenance or a needs gap of over \$2,011,000 if the capital needs are addressed in a consolidated transaction relying entirely on State capital subsidy.

Summary of Capital Needs & State Subsidy Needs

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Immediate Emergency Capital Needs: 0
 Current Deferred Capital Needs: 8,094
 Current Routine Capital Needs: 21,843

The chart below indicates the year-by-year capital investment needs at the property as projected by On-Site Insight. One should note, however, that On-Site Insight used a state-wide cost basis generated from the RS Means database for capital needs. Some high-cost communities can experience a premium of 10%-15% in excess of the State-wide figures. The chart also indicates the timing of State capital and operating subsidy needs assuming the transaction scenario described above.

Year	Annual Capital Needs (per CNA)	Capital Subsidy		Operating Subsidy		
		Pre-Transaction Capital Subsidy Needs	Transaction Capital Subsidy Needs	Operating Deficit Subsidy Needs	Base Rent Operating Subsidy Needs	Income Mixing Operating Subsidy Needs
2013	29,938	-	-	-	-	-
2014	117,347	-	-	-	81,680	-
2015	84,998	-	-	-	74,982	-
2016	51,602	-	1,627,644	-	67,983	-
2017	72,786	-	-	-	60,675	-
2018	54,493	-	-	-	53,048	0
2019	150,440	-	-	-	45,090	-
2020	149,831	-	-	-	36,794	-
2021	39,983	-	-	-	28,147	-
2022	34,108	-	-	-	19,140	-

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2023	23,139	-	-	-	9,761	-
2024	37,922	-	-	-	-	-
2025	40,161	-	-	-	-	-
2026	44,520	-	-	-	-	-
2027	33,838	-	-	-	-	-
2028	94,896	-	-	-	-	-
2029	91,014	-	-	-	-	-
2030	31,748	-	-	-	-	-
2031	39,687	-	-	-	-	-
2032	95,318	-	-	-	-	-

Scenario Pro Formas

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Income and Expense Analysis

	CURRENT		RECOVERABLE GRANT		CHFA/FHA		4% LIHTC		9% LIHTC	
	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit
2023 ANNUAL INCOME										
Gross Potential Rent	122,482	4,082.74	237,240	7,907.98	237,240	7,908	237,240	7,908	237,240	7,908
Vacancy/Loss	(6,437)	(214.57)	(6,437)	(214.57)	(11,862)	(395)	(16,607)	(554)	(16,607)	(554)
Other Income	14,301	476.71	14,301	476.71	14,301	477	14,301	477	14,301	477
Effective Gross Income	130,347	4,344.89	245,104	8,170.13	239,679	7,989	234,934	7,831	234,934	7,831
2023 ANNUAL EXPENSES										
Operating Expenses	156,753	5,225	169,008	5,634	165,066	5,502	164,828	5,494	164,828	5,494
Replacement Reserve Deposits	11,357	379	11,357	379	14,945	498	14,945	498	14,945	498
Total Operating Expenses	168,109	5,604	180,365	6,012	180,010	6,000	179,773	5,992	179,773	5,992
2023 NET OPERATING INCOME	(37,763)	(1,259)	64,739	2,158	59,669	1,989	55,161	1,839	55,161	1,839
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	37,961	1,265	40,199	1,340	35,517	1,184
2023 CASH FLOW	(37,763)	(1,259)	64,739	2,158	21,707	724	14,962	499	19,644	655

Sources and Uses Analysis

	CURRENT		RECOVERABLE GRANT		CHFA/FHA		4% LIHTC		9% LIHTC	
	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit
SOURCES										
Hard Debt										
Commercial Debt 1	-	-	-	-	660,579	22,019	581,696	19,390	618,052	20,602
Commercial Debt 2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tax-Exempt Bond	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Soft Debt										
Seller Financing/Take Back Note	-	-	-	-	-	-	900,000	30,000	900,000	30,000
State	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Local	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other										
From Operations	-	-	19,763	659	30,263	1,009	30,263	1,009	30,263	1,009
Cash Escrows	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grant	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deferred Developer Fee	-	-	-	-	118,738	3,958	125,788	4,193	125,239	4,175
Equity										
GP Contribution	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
LIHTC	-	-	-	-	-	-	799,480	26,649	1,610,386	53,680
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Sources of Funds	-	-	19,763	659	809,581	26,986	2,437,227	81,241	3,283,940	109,465
USES										
Acquisition Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	900,000	30,000	900,000	30,000
Construction Costs	-	-	1,584,002	52,800	1,584,002	52,800	1,601,555	53,385	1,601,555	53,385
Soft Costs - Design & Construction	-	-	181,317	6,044	178,820	5,961	182,984	6,099	182,984	6,099
Soft Costs - Due Diligence	-	-	10,901	363	19,901	663	22,502	750	22,502	750
Soft Costs - Transaction Costs	-	-	40,263	1,342	120,263	4,009	240,544	8,018	240,544	8,018
Soft Costs - Financing	-	-	49,366	1,646	163,322	5,444	192,924	6,431	191,447	6,382
Soft Costs - Other	-	-	17,250	575	19,500	650	19,500	650	19,500	650
Soft Cost Contingency	-	-	14,955	498	25,090	836	29,171	972	28,706	957
Reserves	-	-	-	-	29,481	983	103,322	3,444	103,481	3,449
Developer Fee	-	-	133,457	4,449	296,845	9,895	314,469	10,482	313,097	10,437
Total Uses of Funds	-	-	2,031,510	67,717	2,437,225	81,241	3,606,971	120,232	3,603,816	120,127
TRANSACTION SURPLUS (GAP)	-	-	(2,011,747)	(67,058)	(1,627,644)	(54,255)	(1,169,744)	(38,991)	(319,877)	(10,663)

Scenario Pro Formas (continued)

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Coverage of Capital Needs Analysis

	CURRENT		RECOVERABLE GRANT		CHFA/FHA		4% LIHTC		9% LIHTC	
	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit
FUNDS										
Transaction Rehab	-	-	1,222,451	40,748	1,222,451	40,748	1,222,451	40,748	1,222,451	40,748
Capital Needs Funded Using Subsidy	1,096,977	36,566	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Existing Replacement Reserve Balance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Replacement Reserves	220,791	7,360	220,791	7,360	290,548	9,685	290,548	9,685	290,548	9,685
Total Funds	1,317,769	43,926	1,443,242	48,108	1,512,998	50,433	1,512,998	50,433	1,512,998	50,433
USES										
Estimated Capital Needs	1,317,769	43,926	1,317,769	43,926	1,317,769	43,926	1,317,769	43,926	1,317,769	43,926
Enhancements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Uses	1,317,769	43,926	1,317,769	43,926	1,317,769	43,926	1,317,769	43,926	1,317,769	43,926
YEAR 20 REPLACEMENT RESERVE BALANCE	-	-	125,473	4,182	195,230	6,508	195,230	6,508	195,230	6,508

Subsidy Analysis

	CURRENT		RECOVERABLE GRANT		CHFA/FHA		4% LIHTC		9% LIHTC	
	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit	Total	Per Unit
OPERATING SUBSIDY										
Base Rent Operating Subsidy Needed	n/a	n/a	477,300	15,910	477,300	15,910	477,300	15,910	477,300	15,910
Operating Deficit Subsidy Needed	747,099	24,903	-	-	0	-	0	-	0	-
Income Mixing Operating Subsidy Needed	n/a	n/a	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Operating Subsidy	747,099	24,903	477,300	15,910	477,300	15,910	477,300	15,910	477,300	15,910
CAPITAL SUBSIDY										
Pre-Transaction Capital Subsidy Needed	1,096,977	36,566	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Recoverable Cash Flow	n/a	n/a	(505,938)	(16,865)	(159,641)	(5,321)	(150,850)	(5,028)	(188,380)	(6,279)
Transaction Capital Subsidy Needed	n/a	n/a	2,011,747	67,058	1,627,644	54,255	1,169,744	38,991	319,877	10,663
Total Capital Subsidy	1,096,977	36,566	1,505,809	50,194	1,468,003	48,933	1,018,894	33,963	131,497	4,383
TOTAL SUBSIDY NEEDED	1,844,076	61,469	1,983,109	66,104	1,945,303	64,843	1,496,195	49,873	608,797	20,293