



**December 3, 2020**

**Resolution No. SHFC-2020-14:** To A. Authorize the issuance, sale, and delivery of one or more series of tax-exempt multifamily housing revenue bonds (Wildhorse Flats Apartments) Series 2021A and 2021B; B. Authorize the execution and delivery of documents and instruments necessary to carry out the financing of such multifamily residential rental development; and other related provisions as necessary to complete the transaction; C. Approve the form and substance thereof.

**WHEREAS**, Strategic Housing Finance Corporation of Travis County (the "Governmental Lender") has been duly created and organized pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Housing Finance Corporations Act, as amended, Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 394 (the "Act"), for the purpose of providing a means of financing the costs of residential ownership and development that will provide decent, safe and sanitary housing for persons of low and moderate income at prices or rentals they can afford; and

**WHEREAS**, the Act authorizes the Governmental Lender: (a) to make loans to any person to provide financing for rental residential developments located within Travis County, Texas (the "County"), and intended to be occupied substantially (at least 90 percent) by persons of low and moderate income, as determined by the Governmental Lender; (b) to issue its revenue notes for the purpose of obtaining moneys to make such loans and provide such financing, to establish necessary reserve funds and to pay administrative costs and other costs incurred in connection with the issuance of such notes; and (c) to pledge all or any part of the revenues, receipts or resources of the Governmental Lender, including the revenues and receipts to be received by the Governmental Lender from or in connection with such loans, and to mortgage, pledge or grant security interests in such loans or other property of the Governmental Lender in order to secure the payment of the principal or redemption price of and interest on such notes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Governmental Lender (the "Board") has determined to authorize the issuance, sale and delivery of its Governmental Notes (Wildhorse Flats Apartments) Series 2021A and Series 2021B (the "Governmental Notes") pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of a Funding Loan Agreement (the "Funding Loan Agreement"), between the Governmental Lender, Citibank, N.A., as funding lender (the "Funding Lender"), and U.S. Bank National Association, as Fiscal Agent (the "Fiscal Agent"), for the purpose of obtaining funds (the "Funding Loan") to make a mortgage loan to ECG Wildhorse, LP, a Texas limited partnership (the "Borrower"), in order to finance costs of the acquisition, construction and equipping of a multifamily rental residential development to be known as Wildhorse Flats Apartments (or such other name as may be determined from time to time) and located within the County and described more fully on Exhibit A attached hereto (the "Project"), all in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board, by resolution adopted on November 21, 2019, declared its intent to issue its revenue bonds/notes to provide financing for the Project; and



**WHEREAS**, in order to assist in carrying out the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project, the Board has determined that the Governmental Lender shall enter into a Borrower Loan Agreement (the "Borrower Loan Agreement") between the Governmental Lender, Fiscal Agent and the Borrower and agreed to by the Funding Lender, pursuant to which (i) the Governmental Lender will agree to make one or more mortgage loans funded with the proceeds of the Governmental Notes (the "Borrower Loan") to the Borrower to enable the Borrower to finance costs of the acquisition, construction and equipping of the Project and related costs, and (ii) the Borrower will execute and deliver to the Governmental Lender certain multifamily notes (the "Borrower Notes") in an original principal amount equal to the original aggregate principal amount of the Governmental Notes, and providing for payment of interest on such principal amount equal to the interest on the Governmental Notes and to pay other costs described in the Borrower Loan Agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to assure compliance with Section 142(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), the Governmental Lender will require the Borrower to enter into a Regulatory Agreement and Declaration of Restrictive Covenants (the "Regulatory Agreement") with respect to the Project; and

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated that the Borrower Notes will be secured by a Multifamily Leasehold Deed of Trust, Assignment of Rents, Security Agreement and Fixture Filing (the "Security Instrument") from the Borrower for the benefit of the Governmental Lender and the Funding Lender, as their interests may appear, and the Board desires to accept such Security Instrument; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to engage Naman Howell Smith & Lee, PLLC to act as Counsel in connection with the authorization, issuance and delivery of the Governmental Notes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires to ratify certain other actions heretofore taken with respect to the Governmental Notes; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 147(f) of the Code requires that the Governmental Notes be approved by the "applicable elected representative" (the "AER") after a public hearing following reasonable public notice; and

**WHEREAS**, with respect to bonds and notes issued by the Governmental Lender, the AER is the Commissioners Court of the County or the County Judge of the County; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of a public hearing with respect to the Governmental Notes and the Project to be held by the Governmental Lender on November 11, 2020, was published no less than 7 days before such date in a newspaper of general circulation available to residents within the County; and

**WHEREAS**, the public hearing was held on the date and at the time and place set out in such published notice; and



**WHEREAS**, the Board and its advisors have examined proposed forms of the Funding Loan Agreement, the Governmental Note, the Borrower Loan Agreement, the Regulatory Agreement, the Borrower Notes, and the Security Instrument and have found the form and substance of such documents to be satisfactory and proper; and the Board has determined to provide financing for the Project in accordance with such documents by authorizing the issuance of the Governmental Notes, the execution and delivery or acceptance, as appropriate, of such documents and the taking of such other actions as may be necessary or convenient;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF STRATEGIC HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION OF TRAVIS COUNTY THAT:**

Section 1.--Public Hearing. The Board hereby finds, determines, recites and declares that a public hearing with respect to the Governmental Notes and the Project was held on November 11, 2020; that notice of such public hearing was published no less than 7 days before such date in a newspaper of general circulation available to residents within the County; that such notice included the date, time and place of the public hearing, the location, general nature and the initial owner of the Project and the maximum aggregate principal amount of the Governmental Notes; and that all comments from interested persons were taken at such public hearing and were or will be provided to the AER, and it is anticipated that the AER will approve the Governmental Notes for purposes of Section 147(f) of the Code. The Board hereby ratifies Cliff Blount as the Governmental Lender's hearing officer.

Section 2.--Issuance, Execution, Sale and Delivery of the Governmental Notes. The issuance of the Governmental Notes is hereby authorized, according to the conditions set forth herein and in the Funding Loan Agreement, and upon execution and delivery of the Funding Loan Agreement, the officers of the Governmental Lender are each hereby authorized to execute, attest and affix the Governmental Lender's seal to each of the Governmental Notes and to deliver the Governmental Notes to the Attorney General of the State of Texas for approval, the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas for registration and the Fiscal Agent for authentication (to the extent required in the Funding Loan Agreement), and thereafter to sell the Governmental Notes to the Funding Lender and deliver the Governmental Notes as provided in the Funding Loan Agreement.

Section 3.--Interest Rate, Principal Amount, Maturity and Price. The officers of the Governmental Lender are hereby authorized to fix and determine the interest rate, principal amount, maturity and price of the Governmental Notes, all of which determinations shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery by such officers of the Funding Loan Agreement and the Governmental Notes; provided, however, that: (a) the Governmental Notes shall bear interest at an initial interest rate not to exceed 10% per annum, subject to adjustment as provided in the Funding Loan Agreement; provided that in no event shall the interest rate on the Governmental Notes (including any default interest rate) exceed the maximum rate allowed by law; (b) the aggregate principal amount of the Governmental Notes shall not exceed \$50,000,000.00; (c) the final maturity of the Governmental Notes shall occur not later than December 1, 2072; and (d) the price at which the Governmental Notes is sold to the Funding Lender shall not exceed the principal amount thereof.



Section 4.--Approval, Execution and Delivery of the Funding Loan Agreement. The form and substance of the Funding Loan Agreement are hereby approved and the officers of the Governmental Lender are each hereby authorized to execute the Funding Loan Agreement and to deliver the Funding Loan Agreement to the Funding Lender and Fiscal Agent. The Fiscal Agent is authorized to invest the moneys held under the Funding Loan Agreement as provided therein.

Section 5.--Approval, Execution and Delivery of the Borrower Loan Agreement. The form and substance of the Borrower Loan Agreement are hereby approved and the officers of the Governmental Lender are each hereby authorized to execute the Borrower Loan Agreement and to deliver the Borrower Loan Agreement to the Borrower, the Fiscal Agent and the Funding Lender.

Section 6.--Approval, Execution and Delivery of the Regulatory Agreement. The form and substance of the Regulatory Agreement are hereby approved and the officers of the Governmental Lender are each hereby authorized to execute the Regulatory Agreement and to deliver the Regulatory Agreement to the Fiscal Agent and the Borrower.

Section 7.--Determination of Moderate Income. The Board has heretofore determined and hereby confirms, in accordance with the Act, for purposes of the Project, until revised by the Board, that the maximum amount constituting moderate income shall be 120% of area median income as defined by HUD, initially \$117,120.

Section 8.--Acceptance of the Security Instrument and the Borrower Notes. The Security Instrument and the Borrower Notes are hereby accepted by the Governmental Lender and the President and each of the other officers of the Governmental Lender are each hereby authorized to endorse the Borrower Notes to the order of the Fiscal Agent and/or the Funding Lender, as their interests may appear, without recourse.

Section 9.--Approval of Bond Counsel. Naman Howell Smith & Lee, PLLC is hereby approved to serve as Bond Counsel with respect to the Governmental Notes with all fees and expenses of Bond Counsel to be paid by the Borrower.

Section 10.--Execution and Delivery of Other Documents. The officers (including the Executive Vice President and Director of Real Estate Development) of the Governmental Lender are each hereby authorized to execute, attest and affix the Governmental Lender's seal to and deliver such other agreements, assignments, bonds, certificates, contracts, documents, instruments, releases, financing statements, servicing agreements, Intercreditor agreements, letters of instruction, written requests and other papers, whether or not mentioned herein, as may be necessary or convenient to carry out or assist in carrying out the purposes of this Resolution.

Section 11.--Power to Revise Form of Documents. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution, the officers (including the Executive Vice President and Director of Real Estate Development) of the Governmental Lender are each hereby authorized to make or approve such revisions in the form of the documents hereby approved, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, as may be necessary or convenient to carry out or assist in carrying out the purposes of this Resolution; and approval of such changes by the Governmental Lender shall be indicated by such officers' or manager's execution of the documents.



Section 12.--Incorporation of Preamble. The recitals in the preamble of this Resolution are true, correct and complete and each and all of such recitals and the findings therein are hereby incorporated by reference to the same extent as if set forth herein in full.

Section 13.--Approval of Submission to the Attorney General of Texas. The Board hereby authorizes the submission by Bond Counsel to the Attorney General of Texas, for approval as required under Chapter 1202, Texas Government Code, of a transcript of legal proceedings relating to the issuance, sale and delivery of the Governmental Notes.

Section 14.--Purposes of Resolution. The Board has expressly determined and hereby confirms that the issuance of the Governmental Notes to assist in the financing of the Project will promote the public purposes set forth in Section 394.002 of the Act and will accomplish a valid public purpose of the Governmental Lender by assisting persons of low and moderate income in the County to obtain decent, safe and sanitary housing at affordable prices, thereby helping to relieve unemployment, to preserve and increase the tax base of the County, and to reduce public expenditures for crime prevention and control, public health, welfare and safety and for other valid public purposes.

Section 15.--Limited Obligations. The Governmental Notes and the interest thereon shall be limited obligations of the Governmental Lender payable solely from the revenues, funds and assets pledged under the Funding Loan Agreement to secure payment of the Governmental Notes and under no circumstances shall the Governmental Notes be payable from any other revenues, funds, assets or income of the Governmental Lender.

Section 16.--Ratification of Certain Prior Actions. All other prior actions taken for or on behalf of the Governmental Lender in connection with the Governmental Notes are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved.

Section 17.--Obligations of Governmental Lender Only. The Governmental Notes shall not constitute an indebtedness, liability, general, special or moral obligation or a pledge or loan of the faith or credit or taxing power, within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision whatsoever, of the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality thereof, the State of Texas, the County or any other political subdivision or governmental unit.

Section 18.--Approval Conditions. The actions and obligations authorized in this Resolution shall be subject to and conditioned upon receipt by the Governmental Lender on the date of delivery of the Governmental Notes to the Funding Lender of the appropriate opinions of Bond Counsel with respect to the Governmental Notes.

Section 19.--Waiver of Guidelines. The Board hereby waives the Governmental Lender's policy guidelines for receiving and approving applications for financial participation in residential developments (the "Guidelines"), if any, to the extent such Guidelines are inconsistent with the terms of this Resolution and the documents authorized hereunder.

Section 20.--Information Return for Tax Exempt Private Activity Bonds. The Board further directs that an officer of the Governmental Lender submit or cause to be submitted to the Secretary of the Treasury, not later than the 15th day of the second calendar month after the close of the calendar quarter in which the Governmental Notes are issued, a statement containing the information required by Section 149(e) of the Code.



Section 21.--Authorized Officers. For the avoidance of doubt, all references herein to the Corporation's officers shall specifically include Robert Onion, Director of Real Estate Development, who is hereby specifically authorized to take any action contemplated to be taken by an officer of the Corporation in these Resolutions or in any of the Bond documents.

Section 22.--Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and upon its adoption.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board hereby:

1. Approves Resolution SHFC-2020-14.
2. Authorizes the officers, including, specifically, the Executive Vice President and Director of Real Estate Development, to execute all relevant documents, instruments, agreements, policies, and procedures and to take all actions on behalf of the Governmental Lender contemplated by the foregoing resolutions.

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**CERTIFICATION**

The above resolution, adopted by the Board of Directors of the Strategic Housing Finance Corporation of Travis County at a meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December, 2020, is hereby certified to be a true and correct copy of an official copy thereof on file among the official records of such Corporation.

WITNESS my hand and seal of office this 3 day of December 2020.

By: Patrick Howard  
Patrick Howard, Secretary/Executive Vice President



**EXHIBIT A**  
**Description of Project**

**Wildhorse Flats Apartments**

Approximate address:  
10525 Wildhorse Ranch Trail  
Austin, Travis County, Texas

Approximately 310 Unit Multifamily Residential Rental Project all of the Units to be reserved for tenants with incomes at or below 60% of AMFI.

The Project is a proposed multifamily development to consist of approximately 310 units located on approximately 33.7 acres at 10525 Wildhorse Ranch Trail in Austin, Travis County, Texas. The Project is expected to offer a variety of floor plans, including 106 1-bedroom units, 122 2-bedroom units, 56 3-bedroom units, and 26 4-bedroom units.





**SHFC Action Item IV.C. & IV.D.  
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**Resolution No. SHFC-2020-15:** To Authorize the debt financing, equity financing, property acquisition, service related agreements and other matters necessary or convenient for Strategic Housing Finance Corporation of Travis County to participate in the development and operation of (**Wildhorse Flats Apartments**) transaction; and the execution and delivery of documents and instruments necessary to carry out the contemplated transaction; and to take other actions related to the subject

**Background Information:** Staff has been working with Elmington Capital (Principals are Mark McCord and Hunter Nelson) for the last 24 months to identify sites in Travis County. Lloyd Griffin (Managing Director of Affordable Housing) of Berkadia Commercial Mortgage introduce me to them. The development firm headquarters are in Nashville, Tennessee. They have acquired/developed over 4,050 affordable apartments primarily in Tennessee. The Elmington team has extensive experience with 4% and 9% tax-exempt bond financing, tax-increment financing, HUD rental assistance, and historic tax credits. Elmington Property Management currently manages over 10,000 affordable units in 10 states, including 3<sup>rd</sup> party management agreements. The subject property is located on Wildhorse Ranch Trail just southeast of the 290/ 130 intersection, Travis County, Texas 78653. The Project is expected to offer a variety of floor plans, including 120 1-bedroom units, 120 2-bedroom units and 76 3- bedroom units, subject to change. The proposed rents range from \$1,011 to \$1,390 depending on floor plan. Each unit is expected to include granite countertops, central heat and air conditioning, ceiling fans, dishwasher, garbage disposal, carpet, drapes/blinds, washer/dryer hookups, refrigerator and microwave. The residential units will be marketed to families earning 60% of the area median incomes Subject to change. The development will offer housing convenient to the fast-growing East Austin area, all accessible to downtown Austin, Manor, and the eastern corridor of the Austin metro area via 130. Property residents are served by the Manor ISD.

The Memorandum of Understanding was approved at the October – 2020 and now Staff is requested the Board approved the Resolutions below to allow the transaction to close in January 2021.



**Recommended Action:** Consider the appropriate action regarding **Resolution No. SHFC-2020-14:** To A. Authorize the issuance, sale, and delivery of one or more series of tax-exempt multifamily housing revenue bonds (Wildhorse Flats Apartments) Series 2021A and 2021B; B. Authorize the execution and delivery of documents and instruments necessary to carry out the financing of such multifamily residential rental development; and other related provisions as necessary to complete the transaction; C. Approve the form and substance thereof.

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**Alternate Option:**

The Board of Directors could elect to Not Approve the following Resolutions:

- Resolution No. SHFC-2020-14
- Resolution No. SHFC-2020-15

**Fiscal Impact:**

This transaction will greatly enhance the financial position of SHFC through the collection of Bond issuance fee, Construction Administration fees, Developer's fees, and cash flow of the property upon stabilization.

**Attachments:**

- A. Resolution No. SHFC-2020-14
- B. Resolution No. SHFC-2020-15

**Prepared by:**

Robert Onion – Director of Real Estate Development

**Approval:**

*Patrick B. Howard*

Patrick B. Howard, Executive Vice President