

STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

FHFC CASE NO. 2006-069VW
Application No. 2005-036C

MERRYPLACE AT PLEASANT CITY
ASSOCIATES, LTD.

Petitioner,

vs.

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

Respondent.

**PETITION FOR A VARIANCE OF THE 2005 QUALIFIED ALLOCATION
PLAN'S REQUIREMENT FOR RETURNING HOUSING CREDIT
ALLOCATIONS, AND TO IMMEDIATELY RECEIVE A BINDING
COMMITMENT FOR AN ALLOCATION OF 2007 HOUSING CREDITS**

Petitioner MerryPlace at Pleasant City Associates, Ltd., a Florida limited partnership ("MerryPlace"), submits its Petition to Respondent Florida Housing Finance Corporation ("Florida Housing") for a variance of the Qualified Allocation Plan's (a) prohibition from returning its 2005 Housing Credit Allocation ("Housing Credits") prior to the last quarter of 2007; and (b) requirement that a housing credit allocation can be reserved only for the year after the year in which the development is required to be placed in service ("Placed-in-Service Date"). The return of MerryPlace's Housing Credits is required before Florida Housing may reserve an allocation of Housing Credits, and immediately provide MerryPlace with a binding commitment for an allocation of 2007 Housing Credits. *See* Rules 67-48.002(83) and 67-48.025, Florida Administrative Code (collectively the "Rules"), and Qualified Allocation Plan ("QAP") at ¶ 11.

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1. Pursuant to Section 120.542, Fla. Stat.(2001) and Rules 28-104.001 through 28-104.006, F.A.C., MerryPlace requests a variance of Rule 67-48.002(83), Florida Administrative Code, and of Paragraph 11 of the QAP to allow the immediate return of its 2005 Housing Credit Allocation, and to immediately receive Florida Housing's binding commitment for an allocation of 2007 Housing Credits.

2. The name, address, telephone and facsimile numbers for MerryPlace and its qualified representative are:

MerryPlace, LLC, Managing General Partner
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Attn: Roxanne Amoroso, Senior Vice President
FL1-400-06-08
101 East Kennedy, 6th Floor
Tampa, FL 33602
Tel: (813) 225-8450
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3. The name, address, telephone and facsimile numbers of MerryPlace's attorneys are:

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4. Pursuant to the 2005 Combined Rental Cycle Program, MerryPlace timely submitted its 2005 Universal Application ("Universal Application") for competitive Housing Credits under the Low Income Housing Tax Credit program. See Application No. 2005-036C.

5. Equity raised from Housing Credits will be used for the construction of a new development of 128 very-low and low-income individual and household tax credit units known as MerryPlace (the "Development"). The Development will serve low-income individuals and families in West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida.

6. On November 30, 2005, Florida Housing issued its Preliminary Allocation of Housing Credits reserved in the amount of \$1,309,044 ("Preliminary Allocation"). A true and correct copy of the Certificate of the Preliminary Allocation Housing Credits is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

7. As permitted by Rule 67-48.028, F.A.C., MerryPlace and Florida Housing entered into a Carryover Allocation Agreement ("Carryover Agreement"). Under the Carryover Agreement, the Development's Placed-in-Service Date is December 31, 2007. A true and correct copy of the Carryover Agreement, without exhibits, is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

8. Consequently, it is anticipated that there will be a Final Housing Credit Allocation granted to MerryPlace in accordance with Florida Housing's usual final allocation procedures.

9. Numerous factors that were and are outside MerryPlace's control, including the impact of Hurricanes Wilma and Katrina in 2005, have delayed the development process. As a result of these delays, MerryPlace may be unable to complete the Development before its Placed-in-Service Date.

10. As set forth more fully below, MerryPlace seeks to return its 2005 Housing Credit Allocation now, rather than wait to the last calendar quarter of 2007, as required under the QAP. MerryPlace also requests that it immediately receive a binding commitment for an allocation of 2007 Housing Credits from Florida Housing, instead of an allocation reservation in 2008, the year after the current Placed-in-Service Date.

11. The requested variances will not adversely effect the Development. A denial of the Petition, however, would (a) result in substantial economic hardship to MerryPlace; (b) deprive West Palm Beach of essential affordable rental units; and (c) violate principles of fairness.

12. Rule 67-48.025 requires that distributions of Housing Credits “shall be in accordance with Florida Housing’s Qualified Allocation Plan.”

13. Rule 67-48.002(83) defines QAP as follows:

“QAP” or “Qualified Allocation Plan” means, with respect to the HC Program, the 2005 Qualified Allocation Plan which is adopted and incorporated herein by reference, effective upon approval by the Governor of the state of Florida, pursuant to Section 42(m)(1)(B) of the IRC and sets forth the selection criteria and the preferences of the Corporation for Developments which will receive Housing Credits.

14. The 2005 QAP provides that Housing Credits may be returned **only** in the last calendar quarter of the year (October through December) in which a development is required to be placed in service, and an allocation may only be made for the year after the Placed-in-Service Date:

where a development has not been placed in service by the date required or it is apparent that a development will not be placed in service by the date required [December 31, 2007], such failure is due to circumstances beyond the Applicant’s control, and the Applicant **has returned its housing credit allocation in the last calendar quarter of the year** in which it was otherwise required to be placed in service, the Corporation may reserve allocation in an amount not to exceed the amount of credits returned, and may allocate such housing credits to the Applicant **for the year after the year [2008]** in which the Development was otherwise required to be placed in service provided [certain] conditions have been met.

2005 QAP at ¶ 11 (emphasis added).

15. The Florida Housing Finance Corporation Act (the “Act”)¹ created the Housing Credits Program. § 420.5099, Fla Stat. (2005). The Act also designates Florida Housing as the

¹§§ 420.501 through 420.516, Fla. Stat. (2005). *See also* Rule 67-40.020(1), F.A.C.

State of Florida's housing credit agency within the meaning of Section 42(h)(7)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. As the designated agency, Florida Housing is responsible for and is authorized to establish procedures for the allocation and distribution of low-income housing tax credits ("Allocation Procedures"). §§ 420.5099(1) and (2), Fla. Stat. (2005). Accordingly, the Rules subject to MerryPlace's variance requests are implementing, among other sections of the Act, the statutory authorization for Florida Housing's establishment of Allocation Procedures for the HC Program. §§ 420.5099(1) and (2), Fla. Stat. (2005).

16. The requested variances will ensure the availability of Housing Credits for MerryPlace which might otherwise be lost as a consequence of development delays caused by factors outside its control.

17. The following facts demonstrate the economic hardship and other circumstances which justify MerryPlace's request for Rule variances:

- a. MerryPlace timely submitted its Universal Application to Florida Housing for its Housing Credits Program.
- b. Thereafter, Florida Housing issued its Preliminary Allocation that reserved \$1,309,044 for Housing Credits.
- c. Pursuant to the Carryover Agreement, the Development's Placed-in-Service Date is December 31, 2007.
- d. MerryPlace is in a DDA and a socio-economically deprived inner-city neighborhood.
- e. The water/sewer infrastructure ("Infrastructure") serving the MerryPlace location is at least 50-years old. In conjunction with, and at the expense of the City of West Palm Beach City and the Community Redevelopment Authority of West Palm Beach, as part of the development process, MerryPlace is replacing the Infrastructure, in its entirety.

- f. On August 25 and October 24, 2005 Hurricanes Katrina and Wilma struck the South Florida area. As a result of the damage caused, Palm Beach County was declared a major disaster area.
- g. As a consequence of damage caused by Hurricanes Katrina and Wilma, MerryPlace's development process, as well as numerous other projects in the West Palm Beach area, have been significantly delayed.
- h. The impact of Hurricanes Wilma and Katrina on the construction industry has also contributed to further delays of the development process. In fact, since December 2005, a 25% increase in crude oil prices has likewise increased the cost of materials including, but not limited to, PVC, carpeting and gasoline.
- i. The substantial increase in construction costs has created shortages of both essential building materials and labor. As a result, MerryPlace has had to re-budget the Development, and may have to seek additional state and local funding to cover these increased development costs.
- j. Although replacement of the Infrastructure also is behind schedule, work has begun, and MerryPlace and the Infrastructure's general contractor have explored all available options for its timely completion, without compromising its integrity. However, until the Infrastructure is replaced, construction of buildings and units cannot commence. Consequently, it is unlikely that the Development can be completed by the December 31, 2007 Placed-in-Service Date.
- k. Additionally, in light of the initial delays caused by the 2005 Hurricanes, and having entered the 2006 hurricane season, MerryPlace's tax-credit investor has serious concerns about whether the Development will meet the Placed-in-Service Date.
- l. The Development has received final site plan approval. Provided that Florida Housing grants the requested Rule variances, MerryPlace and its tax-credit investor should close on the tax-credit partnership and commence construction within a reasonable period of time.
- m. MerryPlace has continued to proceed with the pre-development process and has met the 10% test under Paragraph 5.b. of the Carryover Agreement.
- n. The Rule variances sought herein will allow MerryPlace to return its Housing Credits, without having to wait until the last quarter of 2007, and immediately receive a binding commitment for an allocation of 2007 Housing Credits, in an amount not to exceed the amount of the returned Housing Credits.

- o. A denial of the requested variances would result in a substantial economic hardship to MerryPlace. Without the assurance of a 2007 Housing Credit Allocation from Florida Housing, MerryPlace's tax-credit investor has indicated its concerns about taking the risk of closing on the tax credit partnership, funding the initial capital contribution and commencing construction. This could result in the inability to obtain critical financing for 128 apartment rental units essential for families in West Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida.

18. Although the Internal Revenue Service offers extensions of placed-in-service dates for development projects in designated major disaster areas, this relief applies only when a development received its carryover allocation before the area was declared a major disaster area. *See Rev.Proc. 95-28 § 5.02.*

19. Unfortunately, MerryPlace is not eligible for this relief because it did not receive its carryover allocation until after West Palm County was declared a major disaster area.

20. Florida also recognized the severity of cost increases resulting from Hurricane Wilma. As a result, Florida Housing offered funding through its SAIL Program's Hurricane Wilma Go-Zone SAIL Cycle (RFP 2006-04), and MerryPlace was awarded a preliminary commitment for a SAIL Program loan of up to \$1,250,000. *See FHFC No. 2006-04-06.*

21. As demonstrated above, the requested variances serve the purposes of Section 420.5099 and the Act, as a whole, because one of their primary goals is to facilitate the availability of decent, safe and sanitary housing in the State of Florida to low-income persons and households by ensuring:

the maximum use of available tax credits in order to encourage development of low-income housing in the state, taking into consideration the timeliness of the application, the location of the proposed housing project, the relative need in the area for low-income housing and the availability of such housing, the economic feasibility of the project, and the ability of the applicant to

proceed to completion of the project in the calendar year for which the credit is sought.

§ 420.5099(2), Fla. Stat. (2005).

22. Further, by granting the requested variances, Florida Housing would recognize principles of fundamental fairness in the development of affordable rental housing. This recognition would promote participation by experienced developer entities, such as MerryPlace, in meeting the purpose of the Act, regardless of the possible delays from hurricanes and other factors outside their control.

23. The requested variances will not adversely impact the Development or Florida Housing.

24. The variances being sought are permanent in nature.

25. Should Florida Housing require additional information, MerryPlace is available to answer questions and to provide all information necessary for consideration of its Petition for a Variance of the Qualified Allocation Plan's Requirement for Returning Housing Credit Allocations, and for an Immediate Allocation of 2007 Housing Credits.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner MerryPlace at Pleasant City, Ltd. respectfully requests that the Florida Housing Finance Corporation grant the Petition for the following relief:

A. Provide a variance of the 2005 Qualified Allocation Plan's prohibition from returning Housing Credit Allocations prior to the last quarter of 2007;

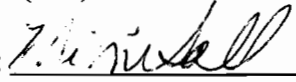
B. Allow the immediate return of the MerryPlace's 2005 Housing Credit Allocation;

C. Provide a variance of the 2005 Qualified Allocation Plan's requirement that a Housing Credit Allocation cannot be reserved until the year after the Development's Placed-in-Service Date;

- D. Immediately provide a binding commitment for an allocation of 2007 Housing Credits to MerryPlace, in an amount not to exceed the amount of its Housing Credit Allocation; and
- E. Award such further relief as may be deemed appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The Original Petition is being served by overnight delivery, with a copy served by electronic transmission, for filing with the Corporation Clerk for the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, 227 N. Bronough Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301. A copy of the Petition was served by overnight delivery on the Joint Administrative Procedures Committee, Room 120, The Holland Building, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1300, this 12th day of October, 2006.

By: Mimi L. Sall
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PRELIMINARY ALLOCATION CERTIFICATE
HOUSING CREDIT PROGRAM

The Florida Housing Finance Corporation ("Florida Housing") grants to
Merry Place at Pleasant City Associates, Ltd. ("Applicant")

for

Merry Place (the "Development")

Palm Beach County, Florida
Application # 2005-036C

Preliminary Allocation of Housing Credits reserved in the amount of

\$1,309,044.00

November 30, 2005

1. **Authority.** This Preliminary Allocation is granted by Florida Housing under the Housing Credit Program as authorized by Section 420.507(12), Florida Statutes, and Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, ("IRC"), and as administered pursuant to Program guidelines outlined in Rule 67-48, Florida Administrative Code. Under such guidelines, Florida Housing may allocate housing credits only in an amount necessary to ensure the financial feasibility of the Development and its viability as a low-income rental housing project.
2. **Effect.** This Certificate represents a preliminary determination only and is not binding on either Florida Housing or the Applicant. Subject to the preceding sentence, this Certificate inures to the benefit of the Applicant named above and its grantees, transferees, and other successors in interest to the maximum extent allowed under IRC Section 42.
3. **Duration.** The Preliminary Allocation will be valid until December 31, 2005.

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Board of Directors: Terry Santini, Chairman • Lynn M. Stultz, Vice Chairman • Thaddeus Cohen, Ex Officio
Cesar E. Calvet • David E. Oellerich • Zully Ruiz • Robert J. Taylor • Sandra Terry

Stephen P. Auger, Executive Director


EXHIBIT

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4. Contingencies. The Preliminary Allocation is contingent upon:
- a. The Applicant shall comply with all of the pertinent requirements of IRC Section 42 and the Treasury Regulations issued thereunder and the requirements of the State of Florida as set forth in Chapter 67-48, Florida Administrative Code.
 - b. A non-refundable administrative fee of \$104,723.52, which is based on 8% of the allocation amount (\$1,309,044.00) and a one time non-refundable compliance payment of \$2,684.00 in accordance with Rule 67-48 is payable by the Applicant to Florida Housing **no later than December 7, 2005**. Checks should be made payable to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation, and should be mailed to:

Florida Housing Finance Corporation
ATTN: Housing Credit Program
227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000
Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329
 - c. Approval by Florida Housing of a positive credit underwriting recommendation that housing credits be allocated to this Development.
 - d. The receipt of an eligible market analysis for the property.
 - e. Verification from the Applicant and the Credit Underwriter that all contingency items as stated in the credit underwriting report and below have been met no later than nine (9) months from the date of execution of the Carryover Allocation Agreement.
 - f. Such other reasonable requests as made by Florida Housing during this time frame.
5. Final Determination. Florida Housing is required to make further tax credit determinations, with the final determination to be made at the time the Development is "placed in service" pursuant to IRC Section 42(m)(2)(C).
6. Carryover Allocation. A project may qualify for a carryover of the housing credit allocation if the guidelines set forth in Rule 67-48.028, Florida Administrative Code, are met.


Vicki A. Robinson
Deputy Development Officer

Dated this 30th day of November, 2005

**FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION
2005 CARRYOVER ALLOCATION AGREEMENT**

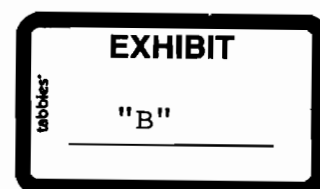
This 2005 Carryover Allocation Agreement (Agreement) by and between Florida Housing Finance Corporation (Florida Housing) and Merry Place at Pleasant City Associates, Ltd. (Owner) constitutes an allocation of the 2005 Housing Credit dollar amount meeting the requirements of Section 42(h)(1)(E) and (F) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended (Code). Unless otherwise specifically provided, this Agreement and the terms used herein shall be interpreted in a manner consistent with the requirements of Section 42 of the Code.

In consideration of the conditions and obligations stated in this Agreement, Florida Housing and the Owner understand and agree as follows:

1. Florida Housing has reviewed the 2005 Application filed by the Owner of Merry Place (Development). Based on the evaluation of the Development identified in the 2005 Application, and the credit underwriting analysis, Florida Housing and the Owner incorporate, by reference, the 2005 Application into this Agreement.
2. The Owner acknowledges that all the terms, conditions, obligations, and deadlines set forth in this Agreement and the attached Exhibits, together with those that are incorporated by reference, constitute material and necessary conditions of this Agreement, and that the Owner's failure to comply with any of such terms and conditions shall entitle Florida Housing, at its sole discretion, to deem the credit allocation to be canceled by mutual consent of the parties. After any such cancellation, the Owner acknowledges that neither it, nor its successors in interest to the Development, shall have any right to claim Housing Credits pursuant to this allocation. Florida Housing reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to modify and/or waive any such failed condition precedent.
3. This 2005 Housing Credit allocation is not to exceed an annual amount of \$1,309,044.00 for the Development.

If the Development consists of more than one building, this Agreement constitutes an allocation of credit on a project basis to the Development in accordance with Section 42(h)(1)(F) of the Code. The "per building" Housing Credit amounts specified in **Exhibit A** are solely for purposes of determining the total housing credit allocation for the Development and do not constitute specific allocations made on a building by building basis.

This allocation is expressly conditioned upon satisfaction of the requirements of Section 42(h)(1)(E) of the Code and upon the terms and conditions of this Agreement.



4. The Owner certifies it is the legal owner of the Development and that the following information is true, accurate, and complete:
- a. Owner Name: Merry Place at Pleasant City Associates, Ltd.
 - b. Taxpayer Federal ID#: 20-3580251
 - c. Owner Address: 101 East Kennedy
6th Floor (FL1-400-06-08)
Tampa, FL 33631
 - d. Development Name: Merry Place
 - e. Development Address: NE corner of Spruce Ave. &
17th St.
West Palm Beach, FL 33407
 - f. Florida Housing Development Number: 2005-036C
 - g. Total Number of Units in Development: 128
(Includes market rate units, set-aside units, and full-time employee units.)
 - h. Total Number of Buildings: 13
 - i. Total Number of Qualified Residential Buildings: 13
(as defined at Section 42(h)(1)(E)(ii) of the Code)
 - j. Type of Construction: New Construction
 - k. Demographic/Designation: Family/Large County
 - l. Anticipated Placed in Service Date: 12/31/2007
of the last constructed/rehabilitated building (Month, Day and Year)
 - m. Minimum Set-Aside: 40% of units at
60% of area median income
 - n. Total Set-Aside: 15% of the residential units at 30% of area median income
85% of the residential units at 60% of area median income
 - o. Extended Use Period: The Owner has irrevocably waived the "option to convert" to market rents after year 14 and FURTHER COMMITS to an additional compliance period of 35 years (fifteen years plus 35 additional years totaling 50 years).

- p. Development Features and Amenities: The Development will be constructed or rehabilitated in accordance with the 2005 Application and shall provide at a minimum the Features, Amenities and Programs described in **Exhibit B**.

- 5. a. Site Control:
 - (i) The Owner shall demonstrate to Florida Housing that it has satisfied the requirement of site control by including a copy of the recorded deed and closing statements, or a copy of the executed long term lease agreement, together with such other evidence or documentation that Florida Housing shall deem necessary. These documents are to be incorporated into the Agreement as an attachment to the Development's Legal Description, **Exhibit C**.

 - (ii) To meet the Site Control requirement, the Owner certifies to Florida Housing that it owns the land on which the Development is to be built, or that the Owner is the Lessee under a lease of the land on which the Development is to be built and which has a term that does not expire prior to the expiration of the Extended Use Period.

Site Control Election:

Owner shall initial only one of the following:

I elect to meet the Site Control requirement,

upon the initial submission of this Agreement

OR

within six months of the execution of this Agreement

In choosing the six month election, the Owner agrees to provide evidence of meeting the requirement as a supplemental to the original Carryover Allocation Agreement without amending the original document.

- b. Cost Basis and Certification:

The Owner certifies that it shall incur at least 10 percent of the reasonably expected basis (10% test) of the Development no later than six months from the date of this Agreement. The Owner shall indicate below whether it chooses to provide evidence that the 10 % test has been met upon the initial submission of this Agreement or within six months of this Agreement's execution.

The Owner represents that its reasonably expected basis in the development (land and depreciable basis) as of December 31, 2007 is \$ 18,182,085. —, such that for purposes of the 10% test, it must have a basis in the Development (land and depreciable basis) of at least \$ 1,818,208.50 by no later

than six months from the date of this Agreement.

Cost Basis and Certification Election:

Owner shall initial only one of the following:

I elect to meet the 10% test requirement,

upon the initial submission of this Agreement

or

within six months of the execution of this Agreement

In choosing the six month election, the Owner agrees to provide an updated Exhibit D as evidence of meeting the 10% requirement. This will be a supplement to the original Carryover Allocation Agreement without amending the original document.

The Owner shall submit the properly completed and executed **Exhibit D** as evidence that it has or has not met the 10% test requirement.

Florida Housing's acceptance of any certification with respect to meeting the 10% test requirement, does not constitute a representation as to the satisfaction of the requirements under Section 42(h)(1)(E) of the Code as binding on the part of the Internal Revenue Service.

6. The Owner acknowledges that all qualified buildings within the Development shall be placed in service on or before December 31, 2007. The final tax credit determination by Florida Housing cannot be made until such time as all buildings are placed in-service and the required Final Cost Certification has been submitted and approved by Florida Housing. Florida Housing shall not issue any partial final allocations.
7. The Owner acknowledges and agrees to submit to Florida Housing, in accordance with Rule Chapter 67-48, Florida Administrative Code: (i) written progress reports evidencing the progress of the Development at least once each calendar quarter, and (ii) the completed and required Final Cost Certification documents by the date that is 75 calendar days after all the buildings in the Development have been placed in service.

In the event the Owner fails to comply with the above requirements or fails to commence construction within nine months from the effective date of this agreement, the Housing Credits allocated within this Agreement shall be deemed returned to Florida Housing pursuant to Section 42 (h)(3)(C) of the Code. Florida Housing, in its sole and absolute discretion, may extend the time for compliance with these requirements upon receipt of a written request from the Owner and if Florida Housing determines that the Owner is making a diligent effort to comply.

8. Pursuant to Rule Chapter 67-53, the Owner shall coordinate with the Development's assigned servicer, First Housing Development Corporation, to have at least four on-site

construction inspections at the Owner's expense. The Owner shall insure that these inspections are conducted at different intervals during the construction period with one of the inspections conducted prior to the Development being 15% complete and one inspection conducted at construction completion.

9. The Owner acknowledges and agrees that Florida Housing shall further evaluate the Development, pursuant to Section 42(m)(2) of the Code for a final housing credit allocation determination upon Final Cost Certification, when all buildings in the Development are placed in service.

The Owner further acknowledges and agrees that, if the carryover housing credit allocation dollar amount, set forth in paragraph 3 of this Agreement, exceeds the amount for which the Development is determined by Florida Housing to be finally eligible, pursuant to Section 42(m)(2) of the Code, the amount of any such excess shall be returned to and recovered by Florida Housing pursuant to Section 42(h)(3)(C) of the Code for reallocation to other developments.

10. Upon the Owner's written notification to Florida Housing that the last building in the Development is placed in service, Florida Housing's receipt of evidence that all contingency items identified in **Exhibit E** of the Agreement have been satisfied, and acceptance by Florida Housing of the Final Cost Certification documents which include but are not limited to:

- the Final Cost Certification
- the monitoring fee
- copies of Certificates of Occupancy
- a copy of the Syndication Agreement
- an Independent Auditor's Report prepared by an independent Certified Public Accountant
- photographs of the completed property
- the original, executed Extended Low-Income Housing Agreement in accordance with the deadlines imposed above

Florida Housing shall issue an Internal Revenue Service Form 8609 for each building, in accordance with the applicable federal law governing Housing Credit allocation under Section 42 of the Code and Florida Housing program rules. The Extended Low-Income Housing Agreement, with respect to the Development, shall, incorporate the terms, conditions, and obligations undertaken by the Owner pursuant to paragraph 4 of this Agreement.

11. This Agreement does not in any way constitute a representation, warranty, guaranty, advice, or suggestion by Florida Housing as to the qualification of the Development for Housing Credits, or the financial feasibility, or viability of the Development. The Agreement shall not be relied on as such by any owner, developer, investor, tenant,

lender or other person or entity for any reason.

If and to the extent that the allocation made pursuant to this Agreement is determined to be invalid, due to an error made by Florida Housing in determining its Housing Credit dollar amount for calendar year 2005, this Agreement shall be deemed to constitute a binding commitment on behalf of Florida Housing to allocate an equal amount of Housing Credits from its future Housing Credit Allocation Authority to the extent allowed by Section 42 of the Code. Such binding commitment shall, in all respects, be subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

12. The Owner acknowledges and agrees to notify Florida Housing, in writing, in the event of a sale, transfer, or change in ownership of the Development in accordance with Rule Chapter 67-48, Florida Administrative Code.
13. Amendments to this document may be made by Florida Housing only upon written request from the Owner and as Florida Housing deems necessary.
14. The date of this Agreement is the date it is executed on behalf of Florida Housing as shown on the execution page hereto.

(THE REMAINDER OF THIS PAGE IS INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK.)

--OWNER--

Acknowledged, agreed and accepted:

Owner: Merry Place at Pleasant City Associates, Ltd.

By: [Signature]
Signature

John Sabatier
Typed or Printed Name

Title: Vice President

Address: 101 E. Kennedy Blvd, 6th Floor
Tampa, FL 33631-3590

Date: 12/15/05

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF Hillsborough

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 15th day of DECEMBER, 2005, by John Sabatier as VICE PRESIDENT for
(Name) (Type of Authority)
Merry Place at Pleasant City Associates, Ltd.
(Name of party on behalf of whom instrument was executed)

Personally Known or Produced Identification

[Signature]
Notary Public, State of FLORIDA



LEILA GARCIA
Print, Type or Stamp Name

October 13, 2006
Date Commission Expires

--FLORIDA HOUSING--

FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION
227 North Bronough Street, Suite 5000
Tallahassee, Florida 32301-1329

By its execution of this Agreement, and based on the foregoing representations and obligations, Florida Housing issues to the Owner a Carryover Allocation of 2005 housing credits pursuant to Section 42(h)(1)(E) and (F) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, subject to the conditions elsewhere in this Agreement. FLORIDA HOUSING HAS RELIED UPON INFORMATION SUBMITTED TO IT BY THE DEVELOPMENT OWNER IN ISSUING THIS CARRYOVER ALLOCATION. FLORIDA HOUSING MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS OR GUARANTEES THAT THE OWNER IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THE CREDIT STATED HEREIN. THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE DETERMINES TAXPAYER ELIGIBILITY.

Vicki A. Robinson Date: 12/21/05

Florida Housing Tax Identification Number: 59-3451366

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF LEON

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 21st day of December, 2005 by Vicki A. Robinson as Deputy Development Officer of the FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION, a public corporation, the successor in interest to the Florida Housing Finance Agency, on behalf of said Corporation. She is personally known to me.

Jean Salmons
Notary Public

Print or Stamp Name

Date Commission Expires



Jean Salmons
MY COMMISSION # DD177690 EXPIRES
January 15, 2007
BONDED THRU TROY FAIR INSURANCE, INC

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October 12, 2006

**VIA E-TRANSMISSION AND
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Corporation Clerk
Florida Housing Finance Corporation
227 North Bronough Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

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Re: Application No. 2005-036C Petition for a Variance of the 2005 Qualified Allocation Plan's Requirement for Returning Housing Credit Allocations, and to Immediately Receive a Binding Commitment for an Allocation of 2007 Housing Credits

Dear Ms. Green:

Enclosed please find the above-referenced Petition for filing on behalf of Petitioner MerryPlace At Pleasant City Associates, Ltd. The Petition seeks a variance of the Qualified Allocation Plan's requirements for returning Housing Credit Allocations and requests that Petitioner immediately receive a binding commitment for 2007 Housing Credit Allocations.

We would appreciate your filing the Petition with the Florida Housing Finance Corporation and placing it on the December 15, 2006 Agenda for consideration by the Board.

We also would appreciate your returning a date-stamped copy of the Petition in the self-addressed envelope provided for your convenience.

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter, and should you have questions or require additional information or documentation, please contact me at any time.

Respectfully submitted,



Mimi L. Salt

Enclosures

cc: Joint Administrative Procedures Committee (via overnight delivery w/encl.)
Matthew A. Sirmans, Esquire (via e-transmission w/ encl.)
MerryPlace at Pleasant City Associates, Ltd. (via e-transmission w/encl.)
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