

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

Date of Notice: May 4, 2022

City of Detroit, Housing and Revitalization Program

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Environmental Review Officers Telephone: (313) 224-2933

On or about May 12, 2022, the City of Detroit will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of the Healthy Homes Production Grant Program (HHP) is authorized under 501 and Section 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. §§ 1701z-1 and 1701z-2), and funding is provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116-260, approved December 27, 2020) for the following multi-year program/project: Healthy Homes and Weatherization Cooperation Demonstration for the purpose of providing home energy audits and weatherization work to 100 residential dwelling units throughout the City of Detroit by the grantee, Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency. The City of Detroit is requesting the release of Lead Hazard Reduction – Weatherization Assistance Program - \$1,000,000.

The proposed hazard control activities to be funded under this/these program(s) is/are categorically excluded from the National Environmental Policy Act requirements, but subject to compliance with some of the environmental laws and authorities listed at § 58.5 of 24 CFR Part 58. In accordance with §58.15, a tiered review process has been structured, whereby some environmental laws and authorities have been reviewed and studied for the intended target area(s) listed above. Other applicable environmental laws and authorities will be complied with, when individual projects are ripe for review. Specifically, the target area(s) has/have been studied and compliance with the following laws and authorities has been achieved in this Tier 1 review: Airport Hazards, Coastal Barrier Resources Act, Air Quality, Coastal Zone Management Act, Endangered Species Act, Explosives and Flammable Hazards, Farmland Protection, Noise Abatement and Control, Sole Source Aquifers, Wetland Protection, Wild and Scenic Rivers Act and Environmental Justice. Site-specific environmental reviews will include compliance with the following environmental laws and authorities for proposed projects funded under the program(s) listed above: (i.e., Flood Insurance, Contamination and Toxic Substances, Floodplain Management Historic Preservation. Should individual aggregate projects exceed the threshold for categorical exclusion detailed at §58.35(a), an Environmental Assessment will be completed and a separate Finding of No Significant Impact and Request for Release of Funds published. Copies of the compliance documentation worksheets are available at the address below.

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project, and more fully describes the tiered review process cited above, is available on the City of Detroit's Housing and Revitalization Department Website's Public Notice section: <https://detroitmi.gov/departments/housing-and-revitalization-department/public-notice>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Penny Dwoinen, the City of Detroit Environmental Review Officer at 313.224.2933 or e-mail dwoinenp@detroitmi.gov. All comments received by May 11, 2022, will be considered by the

City of Detroit prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds and Environmental Certification to HUD.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Detroit certifies to HUD that Ms. Julie Schneider, in her official capacity as Certifying Officer, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Detroit to utilize federal funds and implement the Program.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Detroit certification for a period of fifteen days following either the anticipated submission date (cited above) or HUD's actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if the objections are on one of the following bases: (a) that the Certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Detroit; (b) the City of Detroit has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the City of Detroit has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58), and may be addressed to HUD and sent to the email address as follows: Karen M. Griego, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, Program Environmental Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development LeadRegulations@HUD.GOV Potential objectors may contact HUD directly to verify the actual last day of the objection/comment period.

NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The City of Detroit does not discriminate on the basis of age, color, creed, handicap, national origin, race, sex or sexual orientation. Persons or groups with discrimination complaints may file those complaints with the City of Detroit Human Rights Department, 2 Woodward Avenue, Suite 1026, Detroit, Michigan, 48226.

Ms. Julie Schneider, Director, Housing and Revitalization Department, City of Detroit