

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

**Date of Notice June 29 2022**

**City of Detroit, Housing and Revitalization Department**

**Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 2 Woodward Ave., Suite 908**

**Detroit, Michigan, 48226**

**Telephone: 313.224.2933**

On or about **July 8, 2022** the **City of Detroit, Housing and Revitalization Department** will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Program (LBPHC) is authorized by Section 1011 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 (Title X of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, 42 U.S.C. 4852) and funding is provided by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 (Public Law 115-141), approved March 23, 2018, and the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2019 approved February 15, 2019, (Public Law 116-16). The Healthy Homes Supplemental funding is authorized under Section 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z-2), with funding approved by the same Appropriations Acts, for the following multi-year program/project:

**High Impact Lead Program**, for the purpose of lead abatement or interim control, addresses lead hazards to provide safer homes for low and very low-income families with children. On June 3, 2020 The City of Detroit Housing & Revitalization Department received a 7015.16 for the use of these funds in specific target areas within the 48209 and 48210 zip codes. The City of Detroit, Housing and Revitalization Department will request the release of Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction grant program funds to be used in expanded target areas including zip code 48217 and all eligible census tracts throughout the City of Detroit.

The High impact Lead Program received— \$9,100,000 and Healthy Homes Supplemental funding - \$600,000, and \$1,456,000 in matching funds from Community Development Block Grant funding (FY 2019-20). And on 8/2/2021, the environmental determination was re-evaluated to provide supplemental assistance in the form of \$400,000 in 2018 CDBG Funding, and \$1,600,000 in 2019 CDBG Funding to expand the program's impact.

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 City of Detroit has 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, Explosive and Flammable Hazards, Farmlands Protection, Noise Abatement and Control, Sole Source Aquifers, Wetlands 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: Flood Insurance, Contamination and Toxic Substances, Floodplain Management and 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 is on file at 2 Woodward Ave. Suite 908 Detroit, MI 48226 and may be examined or copied weekdays by appointment.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit oral or written comments on the ERR to Penny Dwoinen, the City of Detroit Environmental Review Officer at telephone: 313.224.1508 or email: [dwoinenp@detroitmi.gov](mailto:dwoinenp@detroitmi.gov). All comments received by July 7, 2022 will be considered by the City of Detroit prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

#### RELEASE OF FUNDS

The **City of Detroit Housing and Revitalization Department** certifies to HUD that **Ms. Julie Schneider's** official capacity as **Director of the City of Detroit Housing & Revitalization Department** 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 Housing and Revitalization Department** 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 of July 8, 2022 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](mailto:LeadRegulations@HUD.GOV). Potential objectors may contact HUD directly to verify the actual last day of the objection/comment period.

#### NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

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