NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

July 31, 2020

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Harris County Community Services Department.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about *August 18, 2020* the County of Harris will submit a request to the *HUD* for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, Public Law 93-383, to undertake projects with *Program Year (PY) 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HUD Grant # B-20-UC-48-0002* known as:

- City of Jacinto City North Side Water Mains and Fire Protection: To construct approx. 5,370 LFT of 10" and 3,930 LFT of 8" water mains and 20 fire hydrants from Oats Rd to Mercury Dr N. of Market Str. Total allocation \$887,267.00, total project cost \$1,175,615.00; 10100 & 10200 blocks of I-10 East Frwy Feeder Rd, Rumar Ln, Muscatine Strt, Challenger 7 Dr and Market Str, Houston, TX 77029.
- Crosby Municipal Utility District Replacement of Waterlines: To replace approx 5,050 LFT of 40-year old 6" asbestos cement water lines with 12" PVC water lines on FM 2100, including 15 fire hydrants. Total allocation \$417,119.00, total project cost \$987,954.00; FM 2100 between Kenning Rd and Krenek Rd, Crosby, TX 77532.
- Harris County Precinct 1 Airline Improvement District East Lorino Water and Sanitary Line Improvements: To construct approx.. 2,010 LFT of 8-in water lines and 1,875 LFT of 8-in sanitary sewer lines along E. Lorino Ave east of Airline Dr. Total allocation \$1,085,361.00, total project cost \$1,447,311.00; 117-520 E. Lorino Ave, Houston, TX 77037.
- Harris County Pct 2 Parkwood Estates Water Distribution System Phase 2: To construct approx 1,025 LFT of 6" water lines, 4,459 LFT of 8" water lines, and 1,114 LFT of 12" water lines. Total allocation \$884,124.00; total project cost \$1,174,674.00; 14305-14362 Picton Dr; 14317-14362 Rochelle Dr; 14315-14363 Daleburg Dr; 14309-14358 Haverty Dr; 14125-14222 McDermott Dr and 5401-5611 Charrin Dr, Houston, TX 77032.
- Harris County Pct 3 Sidewalks and Park Project: To construct approx.. 7,790 ft of sidewalks along Addicks Clodine and Westpark Dr. to provide safe pedestrian access from single and multi-family residential areas and to construct a new 5-acre park north of Waller. This will include the extension of Binford CIR, a parking lot, trails, playground and shade canopies and standard park amenities. Total allocation \$914,057.00, total project cost \$1,224,659.00; Sidewalks at Addicks Clodine (East & West side of rd); Westpark Dr (E. & W. side of rd), Houston, TX 77082 and Park at 21527 Binford CIR, Waller, TX 77484.

• HC MUD # 148 – WWTP: To expand capacity from 0.65 million gallons per day (MGD) to 0.95 MGD to meet population growth. Total allocation \$1,000,000.00, total project cost \$3,202,973.00; Greensbrook Forest Dr. S. of Greenspark Ln, Houston, TX 77044.

Other project on scattered sites located throughout the HCCSD Service Area, funded with PY-2020 HOME Investment Partnership Funds under Title 2 of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordability Housing Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. 12701, HUD Grant # M-20-UC-48-0215:

• HCCSD Major Rehab/Reconstruction Program will assist about 7 eligible single-family homeowners with up to \$120,000 for substantial rehabilitation or reconstruction, Total allocation: \$537,580.00, total project cost \$1,037,580.00.

Other projects funded with PY-2020 CDBG funds HUD Grant # B-20-UC-48-0002 requiring only notice of intent:

- HC Public Health- Lead Based Paint Hazard Reduction Program for twenty (20) single-family housing units of Harris County. Total allocation \$400,000.00, total project cost \$533,334.00.
- HC Public Health- Neighborhood Nuisance Abatement for fifteen (15) abandoned structures; Total allocation \$150,000.00, total project cost \$200,000.00.
- HC CSD Health and Safety Home Repair Program will provide septic system and water well repairs up to \$40,000 to LMI and elderly households. Total allocation and total project cost \$333,996.00.
- HC CSD Minor Home Repair Program will provide LMI and elderly households with minor home repair up to \$20,000 of work; Total allocation \$1,005,000.00, total project cost \$1,305,000.00.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The County of Harris has determined that the projects will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR). The ERR will be made available to the public for review either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to the address above or by email to plancomments@csd.hctx.net. The ERR can be accessed online at the following website https://csd.harriscountytx.gov/Pages/PublicNotices.aspx.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the address above. All comments received by *August 17*, 2020 or as agreed with commenter in writing will be considered by the County of Harris prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The County of Harris certifies to *HUD* that Lina Hidalgo in her capacity as County Judge 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 Harris County Community Services Department to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the County of Harris certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the County of Harris; (b) the County of Harris has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (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, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD Fort Worth Regional Office at 801 Cherry Street, Unit #45 Suite 2500, Fort Worth, TX 76102. Potential objectors should contact HUD at (817) 978-5600 to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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