

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

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City of Rocky Mount 331 S. Franklin St. Rocky Mount, NC 27804 252-972-1100

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Rocky Mount.

## **REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about June 25, 2021 the City of Rocky Mount will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as Housing Repair for the purpose of rehabilitation of single family homes for low to moderate income residents. The Housing Repair Program focuses on community well-being, safety, and quality of life by improving the affordable housing stock. The total program budget is \$ 289,316 for the City of Rocky Mount fiscal year 2020-2021.

Project Title: Housing Repair Program

Location: 704 South Franklin Street, Rocky Mount, NC 27803

Project Description: The City of Rocky Mount Department of Community and Business Development is proposing to utilize Community Development Block Grant Funds to rehabilitate a single- family home located at 704 South Franklin Street, Rocky Mount, NC 27803 through the Housing Repair Program. The property needs repairs, new HVAC, and updated landscaping to adhere to noise mitigation measures. All project mitigation measures, conditions, and permits (if any) will be subject to local and state building codes.

Estimated Project Cost: The total estimated cost is \$12,500.00.

### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Rocky Mount has determined that the project 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) on file at the City of Rocky Mount 331 S. Franklin St., Rocky Mount, NC 27804 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30A.M to 5:00P.M.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Rocky Mount Department of Community and Business Development. All comments received by June 24, 2021 will be considered by the City of Rocky Mount prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Rocky Mount certifies to HUD that Rochelle D. Small-Toney in her capacity as City Manager 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 Rocky Mount to use Program funds.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Rocky Mount 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 City of Rocky Mount; (b) the City of Rocky Mount 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 or emailed to:

US Dept. of HUD-Greensboro Field Office 1500 Pinecroft Rd., Suite 401 Greensboro, NC 27407 Email: <u>CPD\_COVID-190EE-GRB@hud.gov</u>

Potential objectors should contact HUD/Greensboro Field Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Rochelle D. Small-Toney, City Manager