



CITY OF CARSON

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about August 14, 2020, the City of Carson will submit a request to the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of supplemental Community Development Block Grant funds under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, to undertake projects known as:

- An Emergency Rental Assistance Program, providing financial assistance to low- and moderate-income Carson residents facing the threat of eviction as a result of loss of income related to the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- A Business Assistance Program, providing financial assistance to small Carson businesses that have suffered negative impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act requirements. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for these projects. The ERR is on file and available for public examination, and can be accessed online at the City's website, <http://ci.carson.ca.us>.

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the offices of the Community Development Department (e-mail: kbennett@carson.ca.us), or to the Office of the City Clerk (e-mail: cityclerk@carson.ca.us). Additionally, written comments may be placed in a public comment box located near the rear (parking lot) entrance to Carson City Hall, 701 East Carson Street, Carson, California 90745. All comments received by 6:00 P. M. on Thursday, August 13, 2020 will be considered by the City of Carson prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds.

The City of Carson certifies to HUD that Sharon Landers, City Manager, in her official capacity as the 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 Carson to use program funds.

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Carson's certification received by August 31, 2020 or for a period of fifteen days following its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if it is on one of the following bases:

(a) That the Certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Carson; (b) the City of Carson 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 project have committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR 58 before 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 via e-mail in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD at: Office of Community Planning and Development, Los Angeles Field Office, at CPDLA@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact the Office of Community Planning and Development to verify the actual last day of the objecting period.

Sharon Landers, City Manager, Certifying Officer

Dated: July 29, 2020



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