

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

September 17, 2022

City of Saint Paul
1400 City Hall Annex
25 West Fourth Street
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102
651-266-6700

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about October 4, 2022, the City of Saint Paul will submit a request to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds, as authorized by Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, Public Law 93-383, as amended 42 U.S.C. § 5301 *et seq.* and pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 4321, *et seq.*, to undertake a project known as Public Safety Annex demolition, located at 100 10th Street East, for the purpose of demolishing the building. The cost of demolition is \$1,400,000.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Saint Paul has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file with the City of Saint Paul, 1400 City Hall Annex, 25 West 4th Street, Saint Paul, MN 55102. The file will be made available electronically, upon request, by contacting Kady Dadlez at kady.dadlez@ci.stpaul.mn.us. The ERR can also be found online at <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records/>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Saint Paul, Department of Planning and Economic Development, 1400 City Hall Annex, 25 West Fourth Street, Saint Paul, MN 55102 or by email to kady.dadlez@ci.stpaul.mn.us. All comments received by October 3, 2022 will be considered by the City of Saint Paul prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Saint Paul certifies to HUD that its 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 Saint Paul to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Saint Paul's 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 Saint Paul; (b) the City of Saint Paul 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 via email at CPD_COVID-19OEE-MIN@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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