

City of Columbus  
90 W. Broad Street  
Columbus, OH 43215  
February 7, 2025

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

This notice shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Columbus.

### **REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about, but not before, February 25, 2025, the City of Columbus, Department of Finance and Management, will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funds under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, as amended, to undertake the following project known as:

- **1516 Genessee Avenue**, for the purpose of constructing a single-family, two-story housing on an existing residential parcel. The City of Columbus is requesting \$100,000 in HOME funds for the project.

### **FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The City of Columbus has determined that this 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 Columbus' Department of Finance and Management at the above address. The ERR is available via email by contacting the Department of Finance and Management, Grants Management Section at [grantsmgmt@columbus.gov](mailto:grantsmgmt@columbus.gov).

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on an ERR to the City of Columbus, Department of Finance and Management, Grants Management Section at [grantsmgmt@columbus.gov](mailto:grantsmgmt@columbus.gov). All comments received by February 24, 2025, will be considered by the City of Columbus prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Columbus certifies to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that Christopher S. Long, in his capacity as Acting Director, Department of Finance and Management, 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 Columbus to use Program funds.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the certifications of the City of Columbus for a period of fifteen (15) 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) certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Columbus; (b) the City of Columbus 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 for 1516 Genessee Avenue must be prepared and submitted via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the CPD Director, HUD Columbus Field Office at email address: [CPDColumbusRROF@hud.gov](mailto:CPDColumbusRROF@hud.gov) with the subject line being "ER Objection – 1516 Genessee Avenue." Potential objectors should contact the HUD Columbus Field Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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