

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

6/7/2024

*City of Tampa Housing and Community Development Department
2555 E Hanna Avenue, 2nd Floor
Tampa, FL 33610
813-274-8229*

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 24th, the City of Tampa will submit a request to HUD for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended and HOME Investment Partnership funds under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended to undertake a project known as 14th Street Apartments to be located at 9904 N 14th Street, Tampa, FL 33612 for the purpose of developing affordable housing in the city. The City of Tampa has proposed utilizing federal grant funds to construct 10 affordable multi-family rental units on a vacant lot. Currently, the project location is vacant and is not being utilized in a way to serve the community. The land is valuable as a potential location for residential developments. Without support for the proposed project the need for housing will continue to grow and the location will be unutilized.

*Estimated Total Federal Funding
HOME: \$1,900,000
CDBG: \$600,000
TOTAL: \$2.5M*

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The *City of Tampa* 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 Tampa Housing and Community Development Department* at 2555 E Hanna Avenue, 2nd Floor, Tampa, FL, 33610 and may be examined or copied weekdays 10 A.M to 4 P.M.

Additional information can also be obtained by contacting *Housing and Community Development Supervisor Michelle Boone* at Michelle.Boone@tampagov.net or 813-274-8229.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Tampa Housing and Community Development Department at 2555 E Hanna Avenue, 2nd Floor, Tampa, FL, 33610 or by contacting Community Development Supervisor Michelle Boone at Michelle.Boone@tampagov.net or 813-274-8229.

All comments received by June 23rd will be considered by the City of Tampa prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Tampa certifies to HUD that Jane Castor in her capacity as Mayor 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 Tampa to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Tampa'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 Tampa; (b) the City of Tampa 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 at Charles Bennett Federal Building, 400 West Bay Street, Suite 1015, Jacksonville, Florida 32202-4410. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Jane Castor, Mayor