

NOTICE OF INTENT AND TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

AND

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

January 8, 2025

City of Douglas

425 10th Street

Douglas, AZ, 85607

(520) 417-7385

This notice is intended to satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Douglas, Arizona.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about January 24, 2025, the City of Douglas will submit a request to the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement funds for FY 2024 in the amount of \$171,181, under Title I/Entitlement, Section 106(b) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as FY 2024 Infrastructure Improvements in a low- and moderate-income area (LMA) of the City of Douglas. The proposed activities will be to install curb, sidewalk and lighting on 15th Street, between Washington Avenue and Airport Rd., in the City of Douglas, Arizona, as funding allows. The project activities will be carried out entirely using only the allocated CDBG funds in the amount of \$171,181.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Douglas has determined that the project activities, along approximately ten (10) city blocks, will not create a significant impact to the environment and/or have adverse effects. The City of Douglas has undergone the environmental review process for the proposed projects and concluded that there will be no significant impact based on the information, documentation and responses received. "Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the City of Douglas Administration Department, 425 10th Street, Douglas, AZ 85607 and may be examined or copied weekdays (excluding holidays) from 8:00 A.M to 5:00 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Xenia Gonzalez, Neighborhood Resources and Grants Director at the City of Douglas, 425 E. 10th Street, Douglas, Arizona or by email at xenia.gonzalez@douglasaz.gov. All comments received by January 23, 2025 will be considered by the City of Douglas prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Douglas certifies to HUD that Ana Urquijo 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 approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Douglas to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Douglas 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 Douglas; (b) the City of Douglas 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 submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) at: *HUD San Francisco Regional Office, One Sansome Street, Suite 1200, San Francisco, CA 94104* or by email at trofsfro@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Ana Urquijo, City Manager