

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

Date of Notice - 11/13/2022

Name of Responsible Entity - City of Brownsville

Address - 1150 E. Adams 3rd Floor

City, State, Zip Code - Brownsville, TX 78520

Telephone Number of RE - (956) 548-6199

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the: Housing Authority of the City of Brownsville.

## REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about **November 29, 2022**, the Housing Authority of the City of Brownsville (HACB) will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of HUD Replacement Housing Factor Grant (RHF) funds and Capital Fund Grant funds under Section 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C 1437) to undertake a project known as Tangelo Quarters Phase II for the purpose of building five Public Housing Rental units. The Development location and estimated funding is presented below:

Tangelo Quarters Phase II, 2225 Roosevelt Steet, Brownsville, TX 78521.
RHF grants amount \$478,897.00
Capital Funds grant amount: To be determined
Estimated total Project Cost (HUD funds) \$1,015,778.14

### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The HACB 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 HACB office located 2606 Boca Chica Blvd, Brownsville, Texas and may be examined or copied weekdays Monday through Thursday 9 A.M. to 5 P.M., and Friday's 9 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the HACB. All comments received by **November 28**, 2022, will be considered by the HACB prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The HACB certifies to HUD that Ms. Helen Ramirez in her capacity as Interim 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's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the HACB to use Program funds.

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

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the HACB 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 HACB; (b) the HACB 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 U.S Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street S.W., Washington DC 20410. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Helen Ramirez, Interim City Manager PUBLISHED: November 13, 2022