

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

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

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

On or about June 14, 2021, the City of Danbury will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, (PL 93-383) to undertake a project known as the Balmforth Avenue Sidewalk and Intersection Improvement Project.

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

The City of Danbury has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. The activity proposed is categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the City of Danbury Finance Department, 155 Deer Hill Avenue, Danbury, CT, and is posted on the City of Danbury website, [www.danbury-ct.gov](http://www.danbury-ct.gov) Beginning June 1, 2021 this document may be examined weekdays Monday-Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Any residents requiring ADA accommodation may contact the Office of the Mayor, 203-797-4511.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Director, City of Danbury Finance Department, 155 Deer Hill Avenue, Danbury, CT 06810, or by email to [comments@danbury-ct.gov](mailto:comments@danbury-ct.gov), referencing Balmforth Avenue ERR in the subject line. All comments received by June 11, 2021 will be considered by the City of Danbury prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Danbury certifies to HUD that Joseph M. Cavo in his 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 Danbury to use Program funds.

## OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Danbury's certification. The objection period will run concurrently with the public comment period. Objections will be accepted only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Danbury; (b) the City of Danbury 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, 20 Church Street, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hartford, CT 06103. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Joseph M. Cavo  
Mayor

