NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

January 17, 2024

City of Eden PO Box 70 308 E. Stadium Drive Eden, NC 27289

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

On or about January 29, 2024, the above-named City will request the NC Department of Commerce to release Federal Funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383) for the following project:

Eden 2021 CDBG-CV Program Amendment 20-V-3501

Project activities include the City of Eden utilizing surplus CDBG funding to renovate a closed school building. The rehabilitation/modernization activities will include lead abatement and the replacement of the roof, windows, as well as replacing plumbing, floors, and HVAC system to the Draper Elementary School. Work will also include repairing the stage in the gym, in addition to any other code and ADA requirements. The property is located at 1719 E. Stadium Drive, Eden, NC 27289-0070.

Total Project Cost=\$900,000; Total CDBG Cost=\$900,000

An Environmental Review Record applicable to the above project has been made by the above-named City which documents the environmental review of the project. This Environmental Review Record is on file at the Planning and Community Development Department, 308 E. Stadium Drive, Eden, NC 27288. The ERR is available weekdays from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. for public examination and copying, upon request and payment of any authorized copying charges.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the Environmental Review Record to Kelly Stultz, Director, Eden Planning and Community Development Department, PO Box 70, 308 E. Stadium Drive, Eden, NC 27289-0070. All comments received by January 25, 2024, will be considered by the City prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

City of Eden will undertake the project described above with Community Development Block Grant funds from the North Carolina Rural Economic Development Division (REDD), under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Eden is certifying to REDD that Neville Hall, in his official capacity as Mayor of the Town of Eden, consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Eden may use the Block Grant funds, and REDD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related laws and authorities.

OBJECTION TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

REDD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases: (A) That the certification was not in fact executed by the chief elected official or other officer of the applicant approved by REDD; or (B) The City 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 has committed funds or incurred cost not authorized by 24CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by REDD; 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 procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to REDD at 301 N. Wilmington Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-4346.

Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by REDD. No objection received after February 14, 2024, will be considered by REDD.

This information is available in Spanish or any other language upon request. Please contact Kelly Stultz, Planning & Community Development Director, at 336-623-2110 or at the Eden City Hall, 308 E. Stadium Drive, Eden, NC 27288, for accommodations for this request.

Esta información está disponible en español o en cualquier otro idioma bajo petición. Por favor, póngase en contacto con Kelly Stultz, Planning & Community Development Director, al 336-623-2110, o en Eden City Hall, 308 E. Stadium Drive, Eden, NC 27288, de alojamiento para esta solicitud.