

# CITY OF WESTMINSTER **PUBLIC NOTICE**

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

October 6, 2023

City of Westminster Community Development Department 8200 Westminster Boulevard Westminster, CA 92683 (714) 548-3170

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

# **REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about October 16, 2023 the City of Westminster will submit a request to the HUD Los Angeles Field Office for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-893) for the following projects:

#### Elden F. Gillespie Park Improvements

CDBG funds in the amount \$528,614 were allocated to the City's Community Services Department for two playground renovations at Elden F. Gillespie Park located at 9801 McFadden Avenue, Westminster, CA 92683. The project includes demolition and removal of two existing playgrounds, and installation of new playground equipment. The project may also incur soft costs for design and construction management.

#### Street Improvements at Various Locations

The City is allocating \$1,294,125 in CDBG funds for the reconstruction of various street segments within low and moderate-income neighborhoods needing reconstruction per the City's Pavement Management System (PMS). The scope of work includes removing and reconstructing damaged concrete curbs, gutters, cross gutters, V-gutters, sidewalks, driveways and alley approaches and other related concrete improvements; removing and replacing deteriorated pavement areas; grinding existing pavement and constructing new asphalt concrete pavement; adjusting sewer and storm drain manholes, and water/hydrant valves to finished grade; and installing new striping to match existing configuration. The following street segments are included in the 2023/24 Street Improvement Project:

- 1. Main Street from Chestnut Street to Goldenwest Street
- 2. Maple Street from Village Way to Goldenwest Street
- 3. Maple Street from Village Way to Chestnut Street
- 4. Webber Place from 13th Street to Pembrook Lane
- 5. Pembrook Lane from Cedarwood Avenue to Joyce Avenue
- 6. 13<sup>th</sup> Street from Cedarwood Avenue to Joyce Avenue
- 7. Joyce Avenue from 13<sup>th</sup> Street to Pembrook Lane
- 8. 14<sup>th</sup> Street from Cedarwood Avenue to End
- 9. Chestnut Street from Maple Street to Hazard Street
- 10. Middleborough Street from Tennyson Avenue to Melric Avenue.

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the City of Westminster, Community Development Department, 8200 Westminster Boulevard, Westminster, CA 92683 where the ERR can be examined or copied weekdays 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.

## FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Westminster 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 Westminster, Community Development Department, 8200 Westminster Boulevard, Westminster, CA 92683, and may be examined or copied weekdays 7:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Westminster, Community Development Department. All comments received by **Friday**, **October 13**, **2023** will be considered by the City of Westminster prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Westminster certifies to HUD Los Angeles Field Office that Christine Cordon 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's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City of Westminster to use Program funds.

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

The HUD Los Angeles Field Office will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Westminster'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 Westminster; (b) the City of Westminster 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 costs 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) and shall be addressed to the HUD Los Angeles Field Office at 300 North Los Angeles Street, Suite 4054, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Potential objectors should contact HUD Los Angeles Field Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Christine Cordon, City Manager

/S/ Ashton R. Arocho, MMC City Clerk of the City of Westminster

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