

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

November 16, 2018

City of Amarillo

808 S. Buchanan

Amarillo, Texas 79105

806-378-3098

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about *December 5, 2018* the *City of Amarillo* will submit a request to the *Fort Worth Regional Office* for the release of HOME funds under *Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1991, as amended*, to undertake a project known as *Cross Street Properties, LLC* for the purpose of new construction, \$1,218,738.00 and 1430 NW 17th, 1436 NW 17th and 1442 NW 17th.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The *City of Amarillo* 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 *City of Amarillo, 808 S. Buchanan, Amarillo, Texas 79105* and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M to 5 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the *City of Amarillo Community Development Department*. All comments received by *November 19, 2018 plus fifteen days*; will be considered by the *City of Amarillo* prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The *City of Amarillo* certifies to *Fort Worth Regional Office* that *Jared Miller* in his 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. *Fort Worth Regional Office's* approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the *City of Amarillo* to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

***Fort Worth Regional Office* will accept objections to its release of fund and the *City of Amarillo'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 Amarillo*; (b) the RE 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 *Fort Worth Regional Office*; 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 *Fort worth Regional Office, 801 Cherry Street, Unit #45, Ste 2500*. Potential objectors should contact *Fort Worth Regional Office* to verify the actual last day of the objection period.**

Jared Miller, City Manager

Note: The fifteen or eighteen-day public comment periods are the minimum time periods required by regulation prior to submission of a Request for Release of Funds and Certification (form HUD-7015.15) to HUD/State. The Responsible Entity may choose to allow a longer comment period. 24 CFR Part 58 requires, at Section 58.46, "Time delays for exceptional circumstances," a 30-day comment period for controversial or unique projects or those similar to projects normally requiring preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement. The fifteen-day objection period is a statutory requirement. The objection period follows the submission date specified in the Notice or the actual date of receipt by HUD/State, whichever is later.

Following completion of the comment period recipients may FAX the form HUD-7015.15 to HUD/State together with a copy of the public notice and a cover letter stating whether comments were received and, if so, how the recipient responded to the comment. The Request for Release of Funds and Certification should not be

submitted before the recipient has responded. If the request is sent by FAX, the original signed form should be mailed to HUD/State. The date of receipt by FAX will be counted as the submission date. However, HUD will not issue the 7015.16 "Authority to Use Grant Funds" until after the original signed form is received.