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

November 17, 2022 City of Meridian 33 E. Broadway Ave. Meridian, ID 83642 (208) 489-0575

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about December 7, 2022, the City will submit a request to HUD for the release of CDBG funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as Wood Rose Apartments. The purpose of this is to construct 52 units consisting of 5 market rate units, 1 manager's unit, and 46 new affordable units for multi-family rentals. The approximate 3.814 acres lot project site is vacant land located at 1160 W Ustick Road, Meridian, Idaho 83646.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Meridian 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. The Environmental Review Record (ERR) can be viewed at https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records or an appointment may be made to obtain a copy at the City of Meridian.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to the City of Meridian at 33 E. Broadway Ave., Meridian, ID 83642, Attention: Crystal Campbell, Community Development Department, or by email at ccampbell@meridiancity.org. All comments received by December 6, 2022 will be considered by the City of Meridian prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City certifies to HUD that Daniel Torres as Certifying Officer in his capacity as Economic Development Administrator, 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 to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City's certification for a period of fifteen (15) 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;
- b. The City has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD.
- 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: HUD at CPD Director, 1220 SW 3rd Ave., Suite 400, Portland, OR 97204-2825. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Daniel Torres

Economic Development Administrator/Certifying Officer

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Se le puede proveer esta notificación en un formato accesible para las personas discapacidades y/o personas con conocimientos limitados del inglés a pedido.