

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

June 15, 2024

Warren County Board of Commissioners – Office of Grants Administration
406 Justice Drive
Lebanon, OH 45036

513-695-1210

On or about June 24, 2024 the Warren County Board of Commissioners will submit a request to the US Department of HUD – Columbus Field Office for the release of 2024 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1, Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.W.C. 5301 et seq.), to undertake the following projects for the purposes listed:

FY24 Butlerville: 2nd, 3rd & 4th Street Road Paving CDBG Project
Pave 19,549 sq ft at 2nd, 3rd and 4th Streets \$38,000

FY24 City of Franklin: Storm Sewer CDBG Project
Pave 10,000 sq ft, install 200 LF of curb, gutter and storm sewer along Bryant & Judy Drive. \$168,000

FY24 Harveysburg: South Streets Improvement CDBG Project
Pave 1,700 feet of South, Frost and Grant Streets. \$168,000

FY23 South Lebanon: King Ave. Improvement CDBG Project
Repave 850 LF King Ave. between Hobart Ave. and Mary Ellen St. \$94,000

The activities proposed are 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 Warren County Board of Commissioners – Office of Grants Administration at 406 Justice Drive, Lebanon, OH 45036 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M to 4 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Warren County Board of Commissioners – Office of Grants Administration at 406 Justice Drive, Lebanon, OH 45036 or by emailing masosu@co.warren.oh.us. All comments received by June 22, 2024 will be considered by the Warren County Board of Commissioners prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Warren County Board of Commissioners certifies to HUD that Martin Russell in his capacity as County 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 Warren County Board of Commissioners to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Warren County Board of Commissioners' 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 Warren County Board of Commissioners; (b) the Warren County Board of Commissioners 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 US Department of HUD – Columbus Field Office at CPDColumbusRROF@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact US Department of HUD – Columbus Field Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Martin Russell, County Administrator
Susanne Mason, Director of Grants Administration
