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

2/18/2025 City of Raleigh, NC 421 Fayetteville St., 12th Floor Raleigh, NC 27602 919-996-4330

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about Monday, March 10th, 2025, the City of Raleigh will submit a request to the HUD/Greensboro Field Office for the release of federal funds under the Community Development Block Grant Program under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, for the YMCA to undertake a project called the YMCA Youth Center.

The YMCA is receiving federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the construction of a 10,000 square foot youth center to include a multipurpose gym for youth sports, a multipurpose space for academic assistance, afterschool, day camp and teen leadership programs, and outdoor areas for group and individual recreation, wellness activities, and outdoor play. The center will provide space to expand after-school and summer offerings for youth in Raleigh. The YMCA is not receiving the federal funds through the City. The Subject Property is 1.82 acres, located at 207 Cox Avenue, Raleigh, NC 27607.

HUD requires an Environmental Review to be completed for the project to ensure it complies with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and related laws and authorities. HUD does not permit the YMCA to serve as the Responsible Entity for an Environmental Review. A unit of general local government must serve as the Responsible Entity on behalf of the YMCA.

The YMCA has requested that the City of Raleigh serve as the Responsible Entity for this project located in Raleigh.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Raleigh 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) that documents the environmental determination for this project is on file at the City of Raleigh Department of Housing & Neighborhoods Community Development Division at 421 Fayetteville Street, 12th floor, where the ERR can be examined and is available for review and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Raleigh Community Development Division. All comments received by Sunday, March 9th, 2025, will be considered by the City of Raleigh prior to authorizing submission of the request for release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Raleigh certifies to the HUD/Greensboro Field Office that Marchell Adams-David 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. The HUD/Greensboro Field Office'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

The HUD/Greensboro Field Office will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Raleigh'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 Raleigh;
- b) the City of Raleigh 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 the HUD/Greensboro Field 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) and shall be addressed to:

Matthew T. King, PhD HUD-Greensboro Field Office 1500 Pinecroft Rd., Suite 401, Greensboro, NC 27407-3838 or emailed to <u>gforrof@hud.gov</u>

Potential objectors should contact the HUD/Greensboro Field Office at 336-547-4000 to verify the actual last day of the objection period.