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

December 20, 2024

St Charles Urban County 201 N. Second Street St Charles, MO 63301 636-949-7335

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by St Charles Urban County.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about January 6, 2025 or 1 day after the end of the comment period, whichever is later, St Charles Urban County will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1094 (42 USC 5301 et. seq.), as amended, to undertake the CDBG projects for the total Grant allocation of \$1,042,065.

Project Title: Home Improvement Programs: Estimated \$ 501,445.50

Purpose: Provide loans or Grants to an estimated 75 income qualified homeowners for minor-major repairs to their homes. If compliance notices are required, appropriate notices will be disseminated or published.

Locations: The CDBG participating jurisdictions includes Unincorporated St Charles County, and the cities of St Charles, St Peters, Lake St Louis, Wentzville, St Paul, Augusta, Cottleville, Dardenne Prairie, Weldon Spring.

Project Title: Affordable Rental Rehab: Estimated \$60,000

Purpose: Provides funding to a non-profit organization for an estimated 1 rental unit through the purchase of one house and the cost to rehab the home to income eligible tenants. Any overage in the purchase or rehab of the home will be provided directly from the non-profit agency.

Locations: The CDBG participating jurisdictions includes Unincorporated St Charles County, and the cities of St Charles, St Peters, Lake St Louis, Wentzville, St Paul, Augusta, Cottleville, Dardenne Prairie, Weldon Spring.

Exempt Activities: Code Enforcement, Public Services, Administration, and Rehab Admin. Estimated \$480,619.50.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

St Charles Urban County has determined that the projects 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 St Charles, City Hall, 200 N. Second Street, Ste 303, St Charles, MO 63301. The record is available for review and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:30A.M to 4:30 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Department of Community Development, 200 N Second Street, Room 303, St Charles, MO 63301 Attn: Kathleen Thompson (636) 949-3214, Kathleen.thompson@stcharlescitymo.gov. All comments received by January 4, 2024 will be considered by St Charles Urban County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

St Charles Urban County certifies to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) that Michael Hurlbert, AICP in his capacity as Director of St Charles County Community Development 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 approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows St Charles Urban County to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and St Charles County 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 St Charles County; (b) St Charles County 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 HUD, by email at CPDRROFSTL@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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Director of St Charles County Community Development