## NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

DATE OF NOTICE: NOVEMBER 26, 2024 RESPONSIBLE ENTITY: TOWN OF HAMDEN

2750 DIXWELL AVE. HAMDEN, CT 06518

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REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about December 4, 2024, the Town of Hamden will submit a request to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of community development block grant (CDBG) program funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) (Act), as amended, to undertake four projects under its small home repair program. The projects propose complete roof replacements and all associated work at four single-family residences:

- 26 Hayward Road
- 17 Battis Road
- 30 Duane Road
- 167 Lane Street

Each project will be awarded up to \$15,000 from the Town's small home repair program. Proposed CDBG Funding: \$60,000. Total Project Cost (estimated): \$60,000.

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 <a href="https://cpd.hud.gov/cpd-public/environmental-reviews">https://cpd.hud.gov/cpd-public/environmental-reviews</a>

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Town of Hamden, 2750 Dixwell Ave., Hamden, CT 06518, Attention: Carol Hazen, Director of Grants & Capital Projects or by email at <a href="mailto:chazen@hamden.com">chazen@hamden.com</a>. All comments received by December 3, 2024, will be considered by the Town prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The Town of Hamden certifies to HUD that Lauren Garrett, Certifying Officer, in her capacity as Mayor, 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 Town to use CDBG funds.

## OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Town of Hamden'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 the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Town; (b) the Town has omitted a step or failed to make a determination 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 the Hartford Field Office of Community Planning and Development via e-mail: Joshua.M.Helms@hud.gov or by mail: 20 Church St.,  $10^{th}$  Flr, Hartford, CT 06103. Potential objectors should contact HUD Hartford Office via email or mail to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Lauren Garrett, Certifying Officer