

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

2/4/25

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about Feb. 20, 2025, the City of Bowling Green will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), as amended, to undertake a project known as the West End Greenway Phase II Project. The total project cost is estimated at \$1.8 million in CDBG funds.

The project includes the construction and repair of approximately 5,300 linear feet of sidewalks located along previously disturbed right-of-way in the historic Delafield Neighborhood in Bowling Green. Streets selected for the project include Jackson Street, Church Street, and Pearl Street. The project will also include the replacement of a block of road on Beauty Avenue adjacent to the offices of Community Action of Southern Kentucky.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Bowling Green has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required.

The City of Bowling Green has completed an Environmental Assessment (EA) respecting the project, which sets forth the reasons why such Statement is not required. This assessment is on file at the City of Bowling Green, Neighborhood and Community Services Department, 707 E. Main Ave., Bowling Green, KY, 42101 and is available for public examination and copying, upon request, at the Grants Manager's Office between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.

No further environmental review of the project is proposed to be conducted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

All interested agencies, groups, and persons disagreeing with the City's determination are invited to submit written comments for consideration by the City of Bowling Green to the Neighborhood and Community Services Department. Such written comments should be received at City of Bowling Green Neighborhood and Community Services Department, 707 E. Main Ave., P.O. Box 430, Bowling Green, KY, 42102-0430 on or before February 19, 2025.

All such comments received will be considered prior to authorizing submission of a request for a release of funds or taking any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified on the proceeding sentence. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Bowling Green will undertake the project described above with funds from HUD under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. The City of Bowling Green is certifying to the state that City of Bowling Green and Mayor Todd Alcott, in his official capacity as Mayor, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied.

The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, the City of Bowling Green may use the funds and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and related laws and authorities.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Bowling Green's certification for a period of 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 of Bowling Green; (b) the City 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 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 HUD Louisville Field Office, Attn: Acting Director Erik Høglund at 601 W. Broadway, Room 110, Louisville, Kentucky 40202 or via email at LouisvilleRROF@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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