

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

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS:

On or about **December 15, 2009**, the City of Vancouver proposes to request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to release federal funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383), as amended, to undertake a project known as Van Vista Assisted Living project. The project will expand the existing Van Vista Senior Living facility to add a four-story 76-unit assisted living community serving very low-income seniors. The estimated funding is \$100,000 for the City of Vancouver and the project will be located in Vancouver, WA at the corner of W 14th Street and Esther Street.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Vancouver has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Vancouver has decided that 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 Vancouver office located at 1610 C Street, Suite 203 in Vancouver, WA, where the documents can be examined from 8 am to 5 pm. Project information can also be reviewed at the Fort Vancouver Main Library located at 1007 E. Mill Plain Blvd in Vancouver, WA, or online at www.cityofvancouver.us/cdbg.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to Peggy Sheehan, Community Development Manager, at the City of Vancouver, address above, by email at peggy.sheehan@ci.vancouver.wa.us, or by phone at (360) 487-7952. All comments received by **December 14th, 2009** will be considered by Peggy Sheehan, Certifying Officer for the City of Vancouver prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Vancouver certifies to HUD that Peggy Sheehan, Community Development Manager, in her capacity as Certifying Officer 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 City of Vancouver to use the program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and both the City of Vancouver's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (which ever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by either the certifying Officer of the City of Vancouver or certifying officer of Clark County; (b) the City of Vancouver or Clark County has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; (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 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 HUD, Office of Community Planning and Development, at 909 First Avenue, Suite 200 Seattle, WA 98104-1000. Potential objectors should contact HUD at 206-220-5150 to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Peggy Sheehan, Community Development Manager, City of Vancouver