

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

*April 10, 2019*

*City of Lancaster, South Carolina  
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**These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Lancaster County.**

**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

**On or about May 1, 2019, The City of Lancaster will submit a request to the SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division for the release of CDBG funds under *Title I* of the *Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended*, to undertake a project known as “City of Lancaster – Neighborhood Demolition Project” for the purpose of demolishing up to 30 condemned and blighted structures located in census tract 107, block group 1.**

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

**The City of Lancaster 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. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Office of the City Administrator, 216 S. Catawba Street, Lancaster, SC and may be examined or copied weekdays 9A.M to 4P.M.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Lancaster Administrator. All comments received by April 30, 2019 will be considered by City of Lancaster prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.**

**ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

**The City of Lancaster certifies to SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division that Steven Huffles in his capacity as City Administrator 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 SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Lancaster to use Program funds.**

## OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Lancaster'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 Lancaster; (b) The City of Lancaster 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 the Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division; 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 SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division at 1201 Main Street, Suite 1600, Columbia, SC, 29201. Potential objectors should contact SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

*Name and Title of RE Certifying Officer*

Steven "Flip" Hutfles, City Administrator- City of Lancaster, SC

04/10/2019

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