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# Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact and Notice of Intent to Request a Release of Funds

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

Date of Notice	June 15, 2022
Name of Responsible Entity [RE]	Town of Kent, CT
Address (e.g., Street No. or P.O. Box)	P.O. Box 678
City, State, Zip Code	Kent, CT 06757
Telephone Number of RE	(860) 927-4627

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Town of Kent, CT.

# **REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about July 15, 2022 the Town of Kent, CT will authorize Jean Speck, First Selectman to submit a request to the Connecticut Department of Housing (DOH) for the release of the 2020 Small Cities CDBG funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as South Common Capital Improvements for the purpose of upgrading the existing 24 unit South Common housing project for families and individuals, located at 22 South Commons Road, Kent, CT and owned and operated by Kent Affordable Housing, Inc., to provide needed long-term capital improvements to housing units and common areas, with an estimated project cost of \$800,000.

#### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Town of Kent, CT 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 Town of Kent Town Hall, P.O. Box 678, Kent, CT 06757 and may be examined or copied weekdays 9 A.M to 4 P.M.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Town of Kent, CT's First Selectman, the designated office responsible for receiving and responding to comments. All comments received by July 15th, 2022 will be considered by the Town of Kent, CT prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The Town of Kent certifies to the State of Connecticut DOH that Jean Speck in her capacity as First Selectman 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. CT DOH's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Town of Kent to use Program funds.

# **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

DOH will accept objections to its release of fund and the Town of Kent, CT'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 Town of Kent, CT; (b) the Town of Kent, CT 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 DOH; 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 Connecticut Department of Housing at 505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106. Potential objectors should contact DOH to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Jean Speck, First Selectman