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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI) AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (RROF)

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Ocala, Community Development Services located at 201 SE 3 Street, 2nd Floor Ocala FL 34471.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about *June 23, 2022*, the *City of Ocala* will submit a request to the *HUD CPD Office* for the release of funds under *Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C.12704*, to undertake a project known as *Vernell Ricks* located at *1408 NE 17th Street Ocala FL 34470* for the purpose of *Re-Construction of a Single-Family Home using Federal HOME funds*.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The *City of Ocala, Community Development Services Department* 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 *City of Ocala, Community Development Service Department 201 SE 3 Street, 2nd Floor Ocala, FL 34471* and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M to 5 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the *City of Ocala Community Development Services Department*. All comments received by *June 23, 2022*, will be considered by the *City of Ocala City Manager* prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The *City Manager* certifies to *HUD* that *Interim Peter Lee*, in *his* capacity as *City Manager* 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 Manager* to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Ocala'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 Ocala; (b) the City of Ocala 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 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 HUD at Community Planning and Development, US Department of HUD, 400 W. Bay St, Suite 1015, Jacksonville, FL 32202. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.