

Legal/Public Notice
Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact
And Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds
Publication Date: February 23, 2017
City of Berwyn - 6700 w 26th Street, Berwyn IL 60402 - 708/788-2660

This notice satisfies two separate but related procedural Requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Berwyn, Illinois (Berwyn).

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS (RROF)

On or about March 10, 2017, Berwyn will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake certain projects known as: (1) Sidewalk replacement including ADA curbs and ramps, (2) lighting improvements, (3) street, sewer and water main improvements on 14th Street from East Avenue to Lombard, and the 1200 & 1300 blocks of Harvey and Highland Avenues, (4) ADA and other improvements to a Sequin owned group home located on Highland Ave in Berwyn, and (5) the Single Family Rehabilitation Program to improve owner occupied housing units by correcting code violations, health and safety issues, and ADA upgrades. These projects are in low to moderate census block groups or are for the purpose of assisting low or moderate income residents of Berwyn. These projects will take place in Berwyn at a total cost of approximately \$ 1,429,500.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI)

Berwyn has determined the proposed activities will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 is not required. The Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determination for each project is on file at the Community Development Department, 6420 w 16th Street, Berwyn, Illinois 60402 and may be examined Monday through Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

SINGLE FAMILY REHABILITATION PROGRAM
TIERED APPROACH - RROF/FONSI

Berwyn has determined the Single Family Rehabilitation Program is categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from the NEPA requirements but may be subject to review under other authorities listed in 24 CFR 58.5. This is a program wide Tier 1 Notice to obtain release of funds for the program. Houses constructed prior to 1978 are presumed to contain lead-based paint and/or asbestos. Should testing reveal those elements present in any home and if such an element is required to be abated or controlled because of the project scope of work, the safety of the residents, or the dollar amount of Federal funding being expended on the home, the abatement will take place in accordance with all Federal, State and local regulations.

Since individual addresses are not yet know, compliance factors that will be determined on an address specific basis are: Historic Preservation, Contamination and Toxic substances (other than lead based paint and asbestos) and Explosive and Flammable hazards. If any of these specific factors requires mitigation or compliance for an individual property, then an individual Request for Release of Funds process will be completed for that property.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the projects may submit written comments to the Community Development Department, 6420 W. 16th Street, Berwyn, IL, 60402, 708-795-6850, rmendicino@ci.berwyn.il.us. All comments received by March 10, 2017 will be considered by Berwyn prior to the submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which project they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION - RELEASE OF FUNDS

Berwyn certifies to HUD that Robert J. Lovero in his capacity as Mayor consents to accept jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's acceptance of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA, and related laws and authorities, and allows Berwyn to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

Berwyn will submit to HUD a Request for Release of Funds on or about March 10, 2017. HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Berwyn's certification for a period of fifteen (15) days following the submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Berwyn; (b) Berwyn has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations of 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient, or other participants in the projects have committed funds, incurred costs, or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of 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) and shall be addressed to: Mr. Ray Willis, HUD Director, Chicago Regional Office, 77 W. Jackson Blvd, Chicago, IL 60604. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Robert J. Lovero, Mayor
City of Berwyn