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

November 1, 2024

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by Henrico County.

### **REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about November 18, 2024 Henrico County will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Richmond Field Office, Community Planning and Development Division, for the release of HOME funds under Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, and a request to the HUD Richmond Public and Indian Housing Program Center for the release of 13 Housing Choice Vouchers, project based, under Section 8(o) of the U.S. Housing act of 1937 to undertake a project known as Carter Woods III. The proposed project is to be located off Nine Mile Road and Dabbs House Road in eastern Henrico County, Virginia. The proposed project will include all the clearing and grading necessary to construct approximately 106 total dwelling units located within two 3-story buildings that will include one-, two-, and three-bedroom units. The conceptual plan for the development includes a community building and all associated roadway and utility infrastructure. The estimated value of the HOME funds is \$300,000, and the estimated value of the vouchers is \$2,736,342. The total estimated project cost is \$42,956,836 (inclusive of HUD and non-HUD funds).

# FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Henrico County 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 Henrico County, Department of Community Revitalization, 4905 Dickens Road, Suite 200, Henrico, VA 23230, and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Requests for copies must be made to Trinity Waldron via e-mail at <u>WAL169@henrico.us</u> or via telephone at 804-501-7614.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Trinity Waldron, HOME Program Manager, Henrico County, Department of Community Revitalization, 4905 Dickens Road, Suite 200, Henrico, VA 23230, phone: 804-501-7614, electronic mail: <u>WAL169@henrico.us</u>. All comments received by November 18, 2024 will be considered by Henrico County prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

Henrico County certifies to HUD that Mr. John A. Vithoulkas, in his capacity as County 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 Better Housing Coalition to use Program funds.

# **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and Henrico County'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 Henrico County; (b) Henrico County 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 project 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 submitted via email to RROFCPDRIC@hud.gov Attention: Mr. Ronnie J. Legette, Sr., Director, HUD Richmond Community Planning and Development Division for the HOME funds aspect, and Mr. Robert F. Davenport, Director, HUD Richmond Public and Indian Program Center for the Housing Choice Voucher aspect at robert.f.davenport@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD at (800) 842-2610, Extension 4881 or RROFCPDRIC@hud.gov, to verify the actual last day of the Objection period for HOME funds, or Extension 4899 to verify the actual last day of the Objection period for the Housing Choice Vouchers.

Mr. John A. Vithoulkas, County Manager