NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

September 1, 2020

City of Bellevue
3000 Seneca Industrial Parkway
Belleview, Ohio 44811
419-484-8400

To All Interested Agencies, Groups, and Individuals:

On or about, but not before, September 10, 2020 the City of Bellevue will submit a request to the State of Ohio for the release of Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the following project(s):

Project Name: Single Family Home Demolitions. Source of Federal Funds: Community Development Block Grant Revolving Loan Fund Program. Project Description: Demolition of three (3) abandoned single family homes in order to eliminate unsafe structures that are a potential public health hazard, and to reduce urban blight. Location(s): 324 E. Main Street, 400 East Main Street and 130 Buckeye Street, City of Bellevue, Huron County. Single year project with estimated cost of $7,250.00 (324 E Main); $8,050.00 (400 E Main) and $6,350.00 (130 Buckeye St).

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for the project(s) is available for review on The City of Bellevue website at www.cityofbellevue.com. The ERR may also be provided upon request electronically via email. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to City of Bellevue, 3000 Seneca Industrial Parkway, Bellevue, Ohio, 44811, or by email to Dave.Sabo@cityofbellevue.com.

The City of Bellevue will be required to complete an asbestos survey of each dwelling following the release of funds and prior to the commencement of demolition work. The asbestos survey results and any related asbestos compliance requirements will be included as part of the ERR.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Bellevue by U.S. mail or email at the addresses above. All comments received before September 10, 2020 will be considered by the City of Bellevue prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Bellevue certifies to the State of Ohio that Kevin G. Strecker in his capacity as Mayor 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 State of Ohio’s approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Bellevue to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State of Ohio will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Bellevue 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 Bellevue; (b) the City of Bellevue 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 State of Ohio; 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 Ohio Development Services Agency, Office of Community Development at OCD@development.ohio.gov. Potential objectors should contact the State of Ohio to verify the actual last day of the objection period.
Kevin G Strecker, Mayor and Certifying Officer