

## **NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

January 20, 2026

City of Tucson Housing & Community Development Department  
310 North Commerce Park Loop, Tucson, Arizona 85745  
520-791-4171

On or about January 28, 2026, the City of Tucson Housing & Community Development Department will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, under Title I, Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), to undertake a project known as 450 N Main Ave Acquisition for the purpose of the purchase of approximately 0.75 acres of vacant land located at 450 N. Main Avenue, Tucson, Arizona 85701 (Pima County APN 116-19-012C) by the City of Tucson's non-profit development arm, El Pueblo Housing Development (EPHD). EPHD ultimately hopes to develop an affordable housing project on this parcel, however, EPHD does not currently have final plans, a design or scope, or funding secured for the potential affordable housing project. This project only includes the acquisition of the vacant land. If funding is secured in the future for the potential affordable housing project, an environmental review will be prepared for that project. Until then, the parcel will be retained as vacant land. The legal description of the project site is: GOLDSCHMIDTS SOUTHERN PTN LOT 10 & PTN ABAND ST MARYS RD LYG N & ADJ EXC FREEWAY & EXC E5' & EXC ALLEY BLK 1

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under 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 this project is on file at the City of Tucson Housing & Community Development Department, 310 North Commerce Park Loop, Tucson, Arizona 85745 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 AM to 4 PM, or the ERR can be accessed online at the following website: [www.tucsonaz.gov/Departments/Housing-and-Community-Development/Documents/Environmental-Review](http://www.tucsonaz.gov/Departments/Housing-and-Community-Development/Documents/Environmental-Review).

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Tucson Housing & Community Development Department, PO Box 27210, Tucson, Arizona 85726 or by e-mail to [emilie.fisher@tucsonaz.gov](mailto:emilie.fisher@tucsonaz.gov). All comments received by January 27, 2026, will be considered by the City of Tucson Housing & Community Development Department prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Tucson Housing & Community Development Department certifies to HUD that Ann Chanecka in her capacity as Director of the City of Tucson, Housing & Community Development Department 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 of Tucson to use Program funds.

#### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Tucson Housing & Community Development Department'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 City of Tucson Housing & Community Development Department; (b) the City of Tucson Housing & Community Development Department 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 San Francisco Regional Office at One Sansome Street, Suite 1200, San Francisco, CA 94104 or via e-mail to [rrofsfro@hud.gov](mailto:rrofsfro@hud.gov). Potential objectors should contact the HUD San Francisco Regional Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Ann Chanecka, Director, City of Tucson, Housing & Community Development Department

If you require oral interpretation in a language other than English, please call (520) 791-4171. Si necesita interpretación oral en un idioma que no sea inglés, por favor llame al (520) 791-4171.