

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

November 13, 2016

City of Aurora, Illinois
Neighborhood Redevelopment Division
51 E. Galena Boulevard
Aurora, IL 60505
630-256-3320

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Aurora, Illinois, Neighborhood Redevelopment Division.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about **November 29, 2016**, the City of Aurora, Illinois will authorize the Aurora Interfaith Food Pantry to submit a request to the Office of Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the amount of \$150,000, under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as On-Site Parking Lot Vehicular/Pedestrian Safety Improvements. The purpose of the project is to create a second entrance off of Jericho Road on the west side of the Aurora Interfaith Food Pantry building, located at 1110 Jericho Road, Aurora, Illinois 60506, construct a parking lot at the southwestern corner of the property, and install a sidewalk from the proposed parking lot to the entrance of the building. The project will also transform and rehabilitate the Pantry's existing parking lot to address safety issues and further accommodate parking. The improvements include the installation of lighting, paving/re-paving of the parking lot, and the installation of the aforementioned second entrance and sidewalks.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Aurora, Illinois, Neighborhood Redevelopment Division 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 51 E. Galena Blvd., Aurora, Illinois 60505 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8A.M to 5P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Neighborhood Redevelopment Division of the City of Aurora, Illinois. All comments received by **November 28, 2016**, will be considered by the City of Aurora, Illinois, Neighborhood Redevelopment Division prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Aurora, Illinois, Neighborhood Redevelopment Division certifies to HUD that Robert J. O'Connor in their 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Aurora Interfaith Food Pantry to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Aurora, Illinois, Neighborhood Redevelopment Division'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 Aurora, Illinois, Neighborhood Redevelopment Division; (b) the City of Aurora, Illinois, Neighborhood Redevelopment Division 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/State; 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 77 W. Jackson Blvd., Room 2401, Chicago, Illinois. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Robert J. O'Connor, Mayor
City of Aurora