# NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

April 9, 2022

City of Meriden 142 East Main Street Meriden, CT 06450 (203) 630-4105

On or about April 21, 2022 the City of Meriden will submit a request to HUD for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as CDBG Sidewalk Repair and Improvement for the purpose of improving and repairing the sidewalks and associated infrastructure along Sherman Avenue and Bunker Avenue for an estimated amount of \$881,659.

#### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

These 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 Meriden City Hall, 142 East Main Street, Meriden, CT 06450 or by email to Community Development Manager, Lucy Diaz at <a href="mailto:ldiaz@meridenct.gov">ldiaz@meridenct.gov</a>. The record is available for review and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M to 5:00 P.M.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the *Community Development Manager, Lucy Diaz at <u>ldiaz@meridenct.gov</u>. All comments received by <i>April 20, 2022* will be considered by the *City of Meriden* prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Meriden certifies to HUD that Timothy Coon, in his capacity as City 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 City of Meriden to use Program funds.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Meriden'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 Meriden; (b) the City of Meriden 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 Hartford Field Office at Suzanne.piacentini@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD Hartford Field to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Timothy Coon, City Manager