

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

Date of Notice: 9/17/2024

City of Pasadena, 1149 Ellsworth Dr., Pasadena, Texas 77506, 713-475-4817

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Pasadena.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about 10/8/2024 the City of Pasadena will submit a request to the Texas General Land Office for the release of Texas Community Development Block Grant disaster recovery (CDBG-DR) funds appropriated under the Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act, 2019 (Pub. L. 116– 20), as amended, to undertake a project known as the City of Pasadena WWTP Improvements Project. The City proposes to demolish and clear; repair and replace concrete wall/support and grating; install headwork screens, slide gates, and trench frame; improve electrical; perform site repairs/restoration; integrate SCADA; and complete associated appurtenances. This project does not involve acquisition. The proposed improvements will occur at the Vince Bayou Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) located at the dead end of North Main Street north of Pitts Avenue (at approximately 29.71558, -95.20924), within the City of Pasadena, Harris County, Texas. Please see the project maps for the Area of Potential Affect (APE). The City of Pasadena has been awarded \$1,000,000 in grant funds and shall contribute \$1,533,506 in match funds. The total project cost is \$2,533,506.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Pasadena 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 the City of Pasadena 1149 Ellsworth Dr., Pasadena, Texas 77506 and may be examined or copied on weekdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. A digital copy of the ERR may be obtained by contacting Megan Flynn, Engineering Coordinator via email at mflynn@pasadenatx.gov or 713-475-4817.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of the Assistant Director of Public Works, 1149 Ellsworth Dr., Pasadena, TX 77506. Comments may also be submitted via email to mflynn@pasadenatx.gov. All comments received by 10/7/2024 will be considered by the City of Pasadena prior to authorizing the submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Pasadena certifies to the Texas General Land Office that Zafar Iqbal in their capacity as Assistant Director of Public Works 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 Texas General Land Office's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Pasadena to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Texas General Land Office will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Pasadena'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 Pasadena approved by the Texas General Land Office (b) the City of Pasadena 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 Texas General Land Office; 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 Heather Lagrone, Texas General Land Office – Community Development and Revitalization at P.O. Box 12873, Austin, Texas 78711-2873, env_reviews@recovery.texas.gov. Potential objectors should contact The Texas General Land Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Robin Green, Director of Public Works