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

September 17, 2024

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about October 8, 2024, the City of New Waverly will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the release of Community Development Block Grant Program funds under Section 104 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as New Waverly - CDV23-0248 - Wastewater, #CDV23-0248, for an estimated cost of \$492,000.00 in HUD funds and \$18,000 in non-HUD funds.

Project Location:

All work will occur in the City of New Waverly, Walker County, Texas in the following location:

 ROW - on south side of Hwy 1375 starting at 465 LF east of Gourd Creek Road (30.54252, -95.47711) south 1,5,70 LF (30.53883, -95.47569)

Description of the Proposed Project [24 CFR 50.12 & 58.32; 40 CFR 1508.25]: Sewer Facilities

Replace approximately one thousand five hundred seventy linear feet (1,570 LF) of six-inch to eight-inch (6in - 8in.) sewer main, manholes, service reconnections, and all associated appurtenances. Construction activities shall include:

- Remove/Replace 8" Sewer line 1,540 LF
- Remove/Replace 6" Sewer Line 30 LF
- Remove/Replace 48" Manhole 4 EA
- Install 48" Manhole 1 Ea

Professional Services including Grant Administrator and Project Engineer activities.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of New Waverly 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 and environmental determinations are contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the City of New Waverly City Hall, 200 Gibbs Street, New Waverly, TX, and may be examined or copied weekdays Monday - Thursday (7:00am-5:30pm).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of New Waverly City Hall, 200 Gibbs Street, New Waverly, TX 77358 and newwaverly2004@yahoo.com. All comments received by October 7, 2024 will be considered by the City of New Waverly prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of New Waverly certifies to the State of Texas that Nathaniel James 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. The State's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of New Waverly to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of New Waverly'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 New Waverly (b) the City of New Waverly 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; 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 Texas Department of Agriculture at CDBG_EnvReview@TexasAgriculture.gov or PO Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. Potential objectors should contact the State to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Nathaniel James, Mayor