

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

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or after June 8, 2021, the City of Russell will submit a request to the State of Kansas for the release of Federal funds from the Community Development Block Grant program under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (PL 93-383) to undertake the following project:

Project Number: 21-PF-016
Project Name: Playground Equipment
Project Type: Community Development Block Grant
Project Location: Water Tower Park, Fossil Creek Park & Bickerdyke Park, Russell, KS 67665
Estimated HUD/CDBG Funds: \$116,228
Estimated Total Project Cost: \$232,457

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Russell 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 Russell City Hall and may be examined or copied weekdays between 8:00 a.m. to to 5:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the **City of Russell**. All comments received by **June 8, 2021** will be considered by **the Russell City Council** prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Russell certifies to the State of Kansas that **Jim A. Cross** in **his** 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 of Kansas's approval of the certification satisfies its

responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows **the City of Russell** to use HUD/CDBG program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State of Kansas will accept objections to its release of funds and the grantee certifications for a period of 15 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 grantee; (b) the grantee 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 of Kansas; 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 to the release of funds must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the Kansas Department of Commerce, CDBG program, 1000 S.W. Jackson Street, Suite 100, Topeka, KS 66612. Potential objectors should contact Commerce to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Jim A. Cross, Mayor

Name and Title of Certifying Officer

133 W. 8th Street, Russell, KS 67665

Name and Address of Grantee