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#### NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

10/03/2024

City of Miami Beach 1700 Convention Center Drive Miami Beach, FL 33139 305-673-7000

On or about 10/18/2024 the City of Miami Beach will submit a request to the Florida Department of Commerce (Florida Commerce) for the release of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant- Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funds under B-18-DP-12-0002 and Title1 of the Housing and Community Development Act (HCDA) of 1974, to undertake a project known as 75th Street Water Booster Critical Hardening located for the purpose of installing a new generator, structural and electrical components for the removal and installation of generators, HVAC, storm and waterproofing of stations, and site accessibility improvements. Estimated funding for the project includes \$800,000 from the CDBG-MIT program and \$300,000 in City leveraged funds.

The activities proposed on 75th Street Water Booster Critical Hardening: 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 City of Miami Beach Public Works, 4th Floor, City Hall at 1700 Convention Center Drive, Miami Beach, FL 33139, and may be examined or copied on weekdays 10:00 A.M to 2:00 P.M.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Miami Beach Environment and Sustainability Department. All comments received by 10/16/2024 will be considered by the City of Miami Beach prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

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### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Miami Beach certifies to Florida Commerce that Eric Carpenter 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. Florida Commerce's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Miami Beach to use Program funds.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

Florida Commerce will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Miami Beach'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 Miami Beach (b) the City of Miami Beach 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 Florida Commerce; 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 Florida Commerce Office of Long-Term Resiliency, Florida Department of Commerce, 107 East Madison Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399. Potential objectors should contact Florida Commerce to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Eric Carpenter, City Manager