

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

**Date of Notice:** July 2, 2026

**Name of Responsible Entity (RE) and Grantee:** RE – City of Milwaukee

**Address:** City of Milwaukee, 200 East Wells Street, Milwaukee, WI 53202

**Telephone Number of RE:** Mat Reimer, 414-286-5693

On or about July 13, 2026, the City of Milwaukee will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of the Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Funds and Healthy Homes Funds. The Lead-Based-Paint Hazard Reduction (LHR) Grant Program for the following multi-year program/project: Milwaukee Lead Hazard Reduction program will address health and safety issues in Milwaukee's housing in order to improve the health of Milwaukee's children. The City of Milwaukee is requesting the release of \$7,700,000.

The proposed hazard activities to be funded under this program are categorically excluded from the National Environmental Policy Act requirements, but subject to compliance with some of the environmental laws and authorities listed at § 58.5 of 24 CFR Part 58. In accordance with §58.15, a tiered review process has been structured, whereby some environmental laws and authorities have been reviewed and studied for the intended target area listed above. Compliance with other applicable environmental laws and authorities will be met when individual projects are reviewed, i.e., Flood Insurance, Historic Preservation, Contamination/Toxics. Should individual aggregate projects exceed the threshold for categorical exclusion detailed at §58.35(a), an Environmental Assessment will be completed and a separate Finding of No Significant Impact and Request for Release of Funds published. Copies of the compliance documentation worksheets are available at the address below.

An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project, and more fully describes the tiered review process cited above, is on file at the Department of City Development, 809 N. Broadway, 2nd Floor, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202, and may be examined or copied weekdays between the hours of 8:00am and 4:45pm. Email requests to review the ERR may be sent to mreime@milwaukee.gov.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Department of City Development, 809 N. Broadway, 2nd Floor, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202. All comments received by July 10, 2026 will be considered by City of Milwaukee prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds and Environmental Certification to HUD.

### RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Milwaukee certifies to HUD that Mario Higgins in his official capacity as Director, CDGA, 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 Milwaukee to utilize federal funds and implement the Program.

## OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Milwaukee certification for a period of fifteen days following either the anticipated submission date (cited above) or HUD's actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if the objections are on one of the following bases: (a) that the Certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Milwaukee; (b) the City of Milwaukee has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the City of Milwaukee has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; (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), and may be addressed to HUD and sent to the email address:

[OLHCHHPECOS@hud.gov](mailto:OLHCHHPECOS@hud.gov).

Mario Higgins, Director, CDGA