PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF PATERSON

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

July 31, 2025

City of Paterson Dept. of Community Development 125 Ellison Street, 2nd Floor Paterson, New Jersey 07505

On or after August 8, 2025 the City of Paterson will submit a request to the HUD Program Office for the release of CDBG funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake the following project:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Owner Occupied Rehabilitation Program

Purpose: The proposed project will address safe and secure housing needs in the project area by providing resources to rehabilitate residential structures owned by LMI households.

Location: City of Paterson, New Jersey

Project/Program Description: The proposed project is limited to minor rehabilitation to owner-occupied units. The specific activities included for each site will be determined prior to completion of the Site Specific reviews.

Tier 2 site specific reviews will be completed for those laws and authorities not addressed in the tier 1 broad review for each address under this program when addresses become known. Level of Environmental Review Citation: $24\ CFR\ 58.35(a)(3)(i)-Categorically\ Excluded\ Subject to\ 58.5$

Tier 2 Site Specific Review: The site specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review:

- Flood Insurance Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994
- Contamination and Toxic Substances 24 CFR Part 58.5(i)(2)
- Historic Preservation National Historic Preservation Act of 1966; 36 CFR Part 800

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any):

- Flood Insurance During the site-specific review the location of each proposed site will be mapped using FEMA floodplain maps to ensure compliance with this factor. Sites located in applicable Special Flood Hazard Areas will require flood insurance.
- Contamination and Toxic Substances Each site will be evaluated for potential contaminants per HUD guidance during the site-specific review. Locations with harmful

- substances that cannot be mitigated prior to commitment of funds will not be eligible for the program.
- Historic Preservation Each location will be analyzed for any potential impact on historic properties or districts. This will include consultation with the New Jersey State Historic Preservation Office. Any location that will impact historic districts or properties will not be eligible for the program.

Estimated Project Cost:

HUD Grant Funds: \$2,000,000 Estimated Total Cost: \$2,000,000

The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per 24 CFR 58.35 (a)(3)(i). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at

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and may be examined or copied weekdays 9 A.M to 3:00 P.M. or by contacting Director of Community Development Barbara Blake-McLennon at bmclennon@patersonnj.gov or 973-321-1212

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Director of Community Development Barbara Blake-McLennon at bmclennon@patersonnj.gov or 973-321-1212. All comments received by <u>August 7, 2025</u> will be considered by the City of Paterson prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Paterson certifies to HUD that André Sayegh 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Paterson to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Paterson'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 Paterson; (b) the City of Paterson 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 HUD; 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 via email in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the HUD Newark Field Office at CPDRROFNJN@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact the HUD Newark Field Office via email to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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André Sayegh, Mayor

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