NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST THE RELEASE OF FUNDS

May 21, 2012
City of Cheyenne
2101 O'Neil Avenue
Cheyenne, WY 82001
307/637-6255 – Deanne Widauf

This notice shall satisfy procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Cheyenne

REQUEST FOR THE RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about May 30, 2012, the City of Cheyenne will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on behalf of the City of Cheyenne for the release of 2009, 2011, and 2012 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake 8 sub-projects known as: COMEA House, Shelter Foyer, for the purpose of rehabilitating COMEA House by rehabilitating the entryway into the shelter and the Pay To Stay Dormitory, for the purpose of rehabilitating COMEA House by rehabilitating the basement dorm for homeless in Cheyenne; Wyoming Independent Living Rehabilitation, Making Homes Accessible Program, for the purpose of making homes ADA accessible for low-income homeowners meeting HUD Income Requirements below the 80% AMI Income level; CALC – Emergency Home Rehab, for the purpose of small rehabilitation projects for low-income homeowners meeting HUD Income Requirements below the 80% AMI Income level; Habitat for Humanity – Cottonwood Meadows, for sewer and water tap fees for two new low income homeowners meeting HUD Income Requirements below the 80% AMI Income level; City of Cheyenne Urban Forestry – Hazardous Tree Removal, for the purpose of removing hazardous trees, that are in violation of the city code, within low income census tracts; Family Promise Cheyenne – Transitional Housing, for the purpose of bathroom rehabilitation within a homeless family transitional house; and City of Cheyenne Parks & Recreation Department – Martin Luther King Park Reclamation Project – for the purpose of increasing park space with new sod, irrigation, trees, etc. within a low income census tract.

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act requirements. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at City of Cheyenne, Housing & Community Development Office, 2101 O'Neil Avenue, Room 102, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Cheyenne, Housing & Community Development Office. All comments received by Tuesday, May 29, 2012, will be considered by the City of Cheyenne prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Cheyenne certifies to the (U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that Richard L. Kaysen 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 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City of Cheyenne to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO THE RELEASE OF FUNDS

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Cheyenne 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 made on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Cheyenne; (b) the City of Cheyenne has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development regulations at 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before the approval of a release of funds by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; 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 of 24 CFR Part 58 and shall be addressed to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Region VIII Office, 8ADE, 1670 Broadway Street, Colorado 80202-4801. Potential objectors should contact the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

City of Cheyenne, Certifying Officer
Richard L. Kaysen, Mayor