

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF FUNDS AND
NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT**

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

Notice of Intent to Request a Release of Funds

On or after December 18, 2010 the Springfield Housing Authority, 200 North 11th Street, Springfield, Illinois 62703, will request from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release federal funds for the following project:

Project Title: Sankey Hi-Rise
Location: 401 & 415 W. Allen, City of Springfield
Purpose: Demolition
Funding: \$1.5 million

The Springfield Housing Authority will undertake the project described above over multiple years with the use of Replacement Housing Factor (RHF) and Capital Fund Program (CFP) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, (the "Act"). The City of Springfield, as the responsible entity, is certifying to HUD that the City of Springfield and its chief executive officer, in his official capacity as Mayor, consent to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that, upon its approval, the Springfield Housing Authority may use the funds, and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and other related laws and authorities. Written comments from the public will be accepted at the City of Springfield, Office of Planning & Economic Development 800 E. Monroe, Suite 108, Springfield IL. 62701, until December 18, 2010.

HUD will accept an objection to its approval of its release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the chief executive officer or other officer of applicant approved HUD; or (b) that applicant's environmental review record for the project omitted a required decision, finding or step applicable to the project in the environmental review process. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to U. S. Department of HUD, Office of Public Housing, Attn: Steven Meiss, Director, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Room 2400, Chicago, Illinois 60604. HUD will consider no objection received after January 3, 2011.

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The City of Springfield also gives notice that it has determined a Finding of No Significant Impact and that the release of funds for the above project will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment, and, accordingly, the City of Springfield has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA, 42 USC 4321).

An Environmental Review Record made by the City of Springfield documents the environmental review of the project and more fully sets forth the reasons why such statement is not required. This Environmental Review Record is on file and available for public examination and copying, upon request, at the Office of Planning & Economic Development, 800 East Monroe Ave, Suite 108, Springfield, Illinois 62701, on regular business days from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. No further environmental review of said project is proposed to be conducted prior to the release of federal funds.

All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration to the Office of Planning & Economic Development. Such written comments should be received at the above address by December 18, 2010. All such comments so received will be considered, and the Springfield Housing Authority will not request the release of federal funds or take any administrative action on the within project prior to December 18, 2010.

Timothy J. Davlin
MAYOR
December 3, 2010