

**NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI) AND  
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

November 3, 2017

Responsible Entity (RE): Nancy McArthur, Mayor

111 Water Street

Chardon, OH 44024

440-286-2600

These Notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority.

**Request for Release of Funds**

On or about **November 20, 2017**, the Mayor of the City of Chardon will authorize the Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority (GMHA) to submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Federal funds authorized under Title I of the United States Housing Act of 1937, to undertake projects of the FY2017 Capital Fund Program for the purpose of performing activities as described in the HUD-approved Capital Fund Five Year and Annual Plan for an estimated amount of **\$259,390**.

**Finding of No Significant Impact**

The RE has determined that the projects will not have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at GMHA, 385 Center Street, Chardon, OH 44024. The records are available for public examination and copying upon request between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Fridays. Please contact Dawn Farrell, Executive Director at 440-286-7413 Ext. 101 for further information.

**Public Comments**

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the projects may submit written comments to GMHA. All comments received by November 19, 2017 will be considered by the Mayor prior to authorizing the submission of a request to release funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

**Release of Funds**

Nancy McArthur certifies to HUD that 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows Geauga MHA to use Capital Funding Program funds.

**Objections to Release of Funds**

HUD will accept an objection to its approval for a period of fifteen days only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) that the certification was not in fact executed by the RE; or (b) the RE has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 (c) GMHA 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 procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and shall be addressed to HUD PIH - Finance and Capital Mgmt Division, 1350 Euclid Avenue, Suite 500, Cleveland, OH 44115. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.