

## **NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF FUNDS**

July 19, 2024

City of Carlsbad  
1200 Carlsbad Village Drive  
Carlsbad, CA, 92008  
442-339-2810

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Carlsbad, California.

### **REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about *August 21, 2024*, the City of Carlsbad will submit a request to HUD for the release of Community Project Funding (CPF) funds under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 (Public Law 117-328), to undertake a project known as Veteran's Memorial Park for the purpose of developing a new public park. The proposed Veteran's Memorial Park will improve a vacant site with a family-oriented and multi-generational park inclusive amenity that are incorporated into active and passive recreational elements. The project has a total estimated cost of \$54,550,000, including an estimated \$3,000,000 of Community Project Funding funds. The Veteran's Memorial Park project will be located on a vacant site comprised of 91.5 acres of which 48 acres are developable; the remainder of the site is dedicated for protected habitat. The project is located southeast of the intersection of Faraday Avenue and Whitman Way, Assessor's Parcel Number 212-271-0300.

### **FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The City of Carlsbad has determined that the project will 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). The ERR will be made available to the public for review electronically on the City of Carlsbad website at: <https://www.carlsbadca.gov/departments/parks-recreation/parks-community-centers/parks/future-park-planning/veterans-memorial-park> by clicking on "What's the latest." If you do not have access to the internet, you may contact Senior Program Manager Nicole Piano-Jones at the phone number below to request a copy of the ERR. The city has a limited number of physical copies of the ERR that are available for persons who do not have access to a computer by contacting Nicole Piano-Jones at the email or phone number below. Staff will arrange a time that the physical copy will be provided to you for pick-up at the designated location outside the City of Carlsbad Housing and Homeless Service Department, 1200 Carlsbad Village Drive, Carlsbad, California, 92008. Please submit your request to: [nicole.pianojones@carlsbadca.gov](mailto:nicole.pianojones@carlsbadca.gov), or (442) 339-2191.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Carlsbad by mail to:

City of Carlsbad  
Housing & Homeless Services Department  
1200 Carlsbad Village Drive  
Carlsbad, CA 92008

Or email: [nicole.pianojones@carlsbadca.gov](mailto:nicole.pianojones@carlsbadca.gov)

All comments received by August 19, 2024, will be considered by the City of Carlsbad prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Carlsbad certifies to HUD that Mandy Mills in her capacity as Director of the Housing and Homeless Services Department 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 Carlsbad to use Program funds.

### **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Carlsbad'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 Carlsbad; (b) the City of Carlsbad 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 in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed via (1) physical address to the HUD Office of Community Planning and Development, Los Angeles Field Office, 300 N. Los Angeles St., Ste. 4054, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or (2) email the HUD Los Angeles Office of Community Planning and Development at [CPDLA@hud.gov](mailto:CPDLA@hud.gov). Potential objectors should contact the HUD Los Angeles Office of Community Planning and Development via email at [CPDLA@hud.gov](mailto:CPDLA@hud.gov) to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Mandy Mills, Director of Housing & Homeless Services Department  
City of Carlsbad  
Certifying Officer

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