



City of Donaldsonville

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CITY OF DONALDSONVILLE

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

February 22, 2023

City of Donaldsonville
609 Railroad Avenue
Donaldsonville, LA 70346
225.473.4247 ext. 117

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about March 20, 2023 the City of Donaldsonville will submit a request to the Louisiana State Office of Community Development for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (PL 93-383, as amended, to undertake a project known as CDBG-CV Love Louisiana Outdoors Program for the purpose of creating a covid-safe, outdoor, accessible, and engaging playground for the citizens of Donaldsonville with special emphasis on handicap/disabled persons and those with learning disabilities that welcomes youth of all ages including interactive, engaging, and learning-enabled apparatus and other leisure playground equipment supported by HUD Grant Funds estimated up to \$400,000.00 with additional funds provided by the City of Donaldsonville estimated up to \$60,000.00. The project is site specific and is owned and managed by the City of Donaldsonville and is known as Crescent Park Playground located at 337 Mississippi Street (Veterans Memorial Drive) directly across from Crescent Park in the City of Donaldsonville.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

ii. The City of Donaldsonville 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) on file at the City of Donaldsonville City Hall at 609 Railroad Avenue and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Monday through Thursday and 8:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. on Friday.



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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the *Local Government Assistance Coordinator at the Office of Community Development mailed to P.O. Box 94095, Baton Rouge, LA 70804*. All comments received by *March 20, 2023* will be considered by the City of Donaldsonville prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Donaldsonville certifies to the State of Louisiana that Mayor Leroy J. Sullivan, Sr. in his/her 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 State of Louisiana's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Donaldsonville to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The State of Louisiana will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Donaldsonville'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 Donaldsonville; (b) the City of Donaldsonville 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 the State of Louisiana; 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 to the State of Louisiana Office of Community Development at P.O. Box 94095, Baton Rouge, LA 70804. Potential objectors should contact the State of Louisiana to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

*Leroy J. Sullivan, Sr.
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