

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

June 15, 2021

City of Devine, 303 S. Teel Drive, Devine, TX 78016 (830) 663-2804

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about July 6, 2021, the City of Devine will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture (Department), Office of Rural Affairs for the release of 2020 Community Development Block Grant funds under Section 104(f) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, to undertake a project known as 2020 CDBG Water Improvements #7220119 to increase water pressure and improve service. Contractor shall install approximately 5,000 LF of 12" water transmission line, gate valve, pavement repair, and all associated appurtenances, to include Administration and Engineering costs at the following location: Calame Road/CR 4514 (aka CR 5710) from CR 665 to CR 768, Devine, Medina County, TX 78016 (mid lat/long 29.173341, -98.925088). Grant funding \$275,000, \$41,250 City Water/Sewer Fund, total project cost \$316,250.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Devine 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), which will be made available to the public for review electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to the City of Devine at the address above, Attention: City Admin's Office or by email to citysec@cityofdevine.com. The ERR can also be accessed online at the following website <http://cityofdevine.org/>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Devine, to the attention of the City Administrator. All comments received by July 2, 2021 will be considered by the City of Devine

prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Devine certifies to the Texas Department of Agriculture, Office of Rural Affairs that John Vidaurri, in his capacity as City Administrator, 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 Department's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Devine to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Texas Department of Agriculture will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Devine'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 Devine; (b) the City of Devine 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 Department; 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 Environmental Review Specialist, Texas Department of Agriculture, at Luci.Cook-Hildreth@TexasAgriculture.gov. Potential objectors should contact Luci Cook-Hildreth at TDA to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

John Vidaurri, City Administrator