

# PUBLIC NOTICE

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

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City of Garner  
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Garner, IA 50438  
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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Garner, Iowa.

### REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or after April 8, 2022 the City of Garner will submit a request to the State of Iowa, Iowa Economic Development Authority for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under TITLE 1 of the HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974, as amended (P.L. 97-35) to undertake the following project:

Project Title: 2021 CD-BG-COVID-19 Housing Conversion Award (20-CVN-002)

Purpose: Conversion of upper story space into four apartments to be known as Federated Building

Location: 314 State Street, Garner, Iowa

Estimated Cost: Total project cost of \$772,490 including HUD funding of \$500,000

### FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Garner 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 Garner City Hall, 135 W. 5th St., Garner and may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M to 5:00 P.M.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of the Mayor. All comments received by April 7, 2022 will be considered by the City of Garner prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify

which Notice they are addressing.  
RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Garner certifies to Iowa Economic Development Authority that Tim Schmidt 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. Iowa Economic Development Authority's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Garner to use HUD program funds.

### OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Iowa Economic Development Authority will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Garner'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 Garner; (b) the City of Garner 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 Iowa Economic Development Authority; 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 Iowa Economic Development Authority at 1963 Bell Avenue, Suite 200, Des Moines, IA 50315. Potential objectors should contact the Iowa Economic Development Authority to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

*Tim Schmidt, Mayor of the City of Garner*

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