

## **NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

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City of Palacios, P.O. Box 845, 311 Henderson,  
Palacios, TX 77465-0845, (361) 972-3605

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

On or after **Tuesday, December 29, 2020** the City of Palacios will submit a request to the Texas General Land Office for the release of Texas Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383), as amended, to undertake a project known as Water Improvements/Street Improvements 20-065-108-C295, for the purpose of Administrative and Engineering Fees and Services and to repair and reconstruct the driving surface, sub-grade, and road base by applying prime coat seal and asphalt; replace and install culverts, including driveway culverts and inlets; adjust manhole rings and covers; regrade roadside ditches; and complete associated appurtenances. The work will take place on Gray Street from University Avenue to McGlothlin Road, on East Matagorda Avenue from Gray St. to East Bayshore Drive, on Elizabeth Avenue from State Highway 35 to Ruthven Street, on Beecher Avenue from State Highway 35 to Gray Street, on East Texas Avenue from State Highway 35 to East Bayshore Drive/County Road 305, on Harrison Street from University Avenue to McGlothlin Road, and on State Highway 35 from University Avenue to McGlothlin Road. If funding allows the City will also consider additional work of the same Character on East Austin Avenue from First Street/State Hwy 35 to Gray Street, and on East University Avenue from First Street/State Hwy 35 to Gray Street. All sites are located in the City of Palacios, Matagorda County, Texas. The City of Palacios has been awarded \$1,414,860.00 in grant funds.

The activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the Palacios City Hall, 311 Henderson, Palacios, Texas 77465-0845 and may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of the Mayor. All comments received by Monday, December 28, 2020 will be considered by the City of Palacios prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The City of Palacios certifies to GLO that Lin Chau in their 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. GLO approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the City of Palacios to use HUD program funds.

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

GLO will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Palacios' 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 Palacios approved by GLO (b) the City of Palacios 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 GLO; 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 Texas General Land Office – Community Development and Revitalization at P.O. Box 12873, Austin, Texas 78711-2873. Potential objectors should contact GLO to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Linh Chau, Mayor