

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

**October 8, 2019**

City of Houston

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### REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about **October 16, 2019** the City of Houston's Housing and Community Development Department will submit a request to the Texas General Land Office (GLO), for the release of Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Multifamily Rental Program funds authorized by the Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements of 2017, Public Law 115-56 and, Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act of 2018, Public Law 115-123 through activities authorized under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, economic revitalization and mitigation to undertake a project known as

**Project Title:** Belfort Park Apartments

**Location:** 4135 West Belfort Avenue, Houston, Harris County, TX 77025

**Purpose of Project:** The proposed project, Belfort Park Apartments, involves the acquisition and renovation of an existing 64-unit multifamily property in southwest Houston's Braeswood Place neighborhood.

Originally constructed in 1955, the Belfort Park Apartments consist of nine (9) two-story residential buildings placed around two central courtyards. The property has historically operated as an affordable complex serving extremely low-income residents. Due to the facility's disrepair, renovation will be required if the complex is to continue serving this vulnerable population.

The proposed scope of work includes a total modernization of the aging facility. Interior renovations will include: new HVAC systems, replacing all windows with newer double-pane windows, updated lighting, plumbing, new flooring, fresh paint and the installation of modern energy-star rated appliances. All bathrooms and kitchens will be fully renovated with new countertops, sinks, tubs, toilets and cabinetry. Exterior upgrades will include roofing as needed, a new playground, barbeque pits, picnic areas, and attractive landscaping.

Additionally, all buildings will be brought up to or exceed all city codes and significantly increase the energy efficiency of the complex. All 59 parking spaces, including 35 carport spaces, will be provided at no charge to the tenants. Six additional parking spaces are location outside of the property boundary and can be used for overflow parking. Residents will have access to a



by the close of **October 30, 2019** or a period of fifteen days from its 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 or other officer of the City of Houston approved by GLO/HUD; (b) the City of Houston 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 project have committed funds or incurred costs 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) and shall be addressed to: **Texas General Land Office, 3429 Executive Center, Suite 150, Austin, Texas 78731.** Potential objectors should contact the GLO to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Sylvester Turner, Mayor  
City of Houston