

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

<b>DATE</b>	April 25, 2022
<b>GRANTEE NAME</b>	Erie County
<b>ADDRESS</b>	Erie County Department of Planning and Community Development 150 East Front Street, Suite 300 Erie; PA 16507
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On or about May 16, 2022 the County of Erie will submit a request to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake the following project:

**Project Name:** Wesleyville Borough Center Street Sidewalks and Curbs Replacement Project

**Project Number:** (S-21-E-16-6-1)

**Project Description/Location:** CDBG and local funding will provide for improvements along both sides of Center Street from Buffalo Road to Freemont Street in Wesleyville Borough consisting of the replacement of curbs and sidewalks, installation of twelve (12) handicapped accessible curb-cut ramps, and asphalt pavement replacement. These improvements will complement the recently completed FY 2020 funded Center Street Sanitary Sewer Line Replacement Project which together will provide for a safer, healthier, and more aesthetically pleasing neighborhood.

**Purpose of Project:** Center Street from Buffalo Road (U.S. Route 20) south to Freemont Street in Wesleyville Borough.

**Funding Source-Amount:** \$100,000 CDBG and \$100,000 (+) local monies

The proposed activity is "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 determination for this project is on file at the Erie County Department of Planning, 150 East Front Street, Suite 300, Erie, PA 16507 where it can be examined or copied weekdays from 8:00 A.M. To 4:30 P.M.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Erie County Department of Planning at the above listed address. All comments received by May 13, 2022 will be considered by the ECDP prior to authorizing the submission of a Request for Release of Funds.

### ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The County of Erie certifies to the PA DCED that Brenton Davis in his capacity as County Executive, 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 PA DCED's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the County of Erie to use CDBG funds for the above-identified project

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

The PA DCED will accept objections to its release of funds and the County's certification for a period of fifteen (15) days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are based on the following: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer/County Executive of the County of Erie; (b) the County has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the County 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 DCED; 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 in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the Department of Community and Economic Development at: chrhowe@pa.gov Potential objectors should contact the State to verify the actual last day of the objection period.*

Brenton Davis  
County Executive