

**MUNICIPALITY OF PENN HILLS, PA
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM
COMBINED NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (FONSI-RRGF)**

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Municipality of Penn Hills, PA.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 14, 2024, the Municipality of Penn Hills will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (P.L.93-383), to undertake projects funded by the FY 2024 CDBG Program for the purpose of funding the Penn Hills' Demolition Project in the Municipality of Penn Hills, PA.

CATEGORICALLY EXCLUDED PROJECT

Penn Hills' Demolition Project – The Municipality of Penn Hills will perform scattered site demolitions throughout the Municipality of Penn Hills. CDBG funds will be used to demolish unsafe structures that are not suitable for rehabilitation or renovation. The FY 2024 CDBG project budget is approximately \$120,000.00. The total project budget is \$120,000.00. Demolitions shall affect the following structures located at: 500 Long Road Pittsburgh 15235, 559 Grove Road Verona PA 15147, 580 Lougeay Road Pittsburgh PA 15235, 816 ridge Street Verona PA 15147, 1782 Tiers Street Pittsburgh PA 15235, 1783 Tiers Street Pittsburgh PA 15235, 5726 Verona Road Verona PA 15147, 7231 Travella BLVD Pittsburgh PA 15235, 7915 Chaske Street Verona PA 15147, 7955 Orlan Place Verona PA 15147, 8042 Lincoln Road Verona PA 15147, 8603 Westwood Road Pittsburgh PA 15235, 8607 Westwood Road Pittsburgh PA 15235, 8880 Westwood Road Pittsburgh PA 15235, 11-19 Torrance Street Pittsburgh PA 15235, 21-27 Torrance Street Pittsburgh PA 15235.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI)

The Municipality of Penn Hills has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environment 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 at the Penn Hills Planning Department, Penn Hills Government Center, 102 Duff Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15235, and is available for public examination and copying, upon request, during normal business hours Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. The ERR is also available to the public for review either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to Christopher C. Blackwell, Penn Hills Planning Director, Penn Hills Government Center, 102 Duff Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15235 or by email to cblackwell@pennhills.org. The ERR can be accessed online at the following website: <https://pennhills.org>. The activities listed above are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements. Additional project information is contained in the respective project ERR on file and is available for review or copying at the same location and time specified in the preceding FONSI statement.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR by mail to Christopher C. Blackwell, Penn Hills Planning Director, Penn Hills Government Center, 102 Duff Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15235 or email cblackwell@pennhills.org. All comments received by June 28, 2024, will be considered by the Municipality of Penn Hills prior to authorizing submittal of a request for release of funds. Commenters should specify which part of this Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Municipality of Penn Hills certifies to HUD that the Hon. Pauline Calabrese, in her 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 these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities, and allows the Municipality of Penn Hills to use CDBG Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the Municipality of Penn Hills' certification received by June 28, 2024, or a period of fifteen days from its receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following basis: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Municipality of Penn Hills; (b) the Municipality of Penn Hills has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations are 24 CFR Part 58; (c) the Municipality of Penn Hills 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 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, Section 58.76), and shall be addressed to Mr. Phillip McKeough, Director, Community Development Division, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Pittsburgh Office, by email to: phillip.e.mckeough@hud.gov or by phone at 412-644-5846. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Hon. Pauline Calabrese, Mayor
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