

Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact and
Notice of Intent to Request a Release of Funds

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July 12, 2023

City of Janesville

18 N Jackson Street

Janesville, WI 53548

608-755-3038

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Janesville

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about August 2, 2023 the City of Janesville will submit a request to HUD for the release of FY 2023 Community Project Funding Grant funds under congressionally-directed Economic Development initiative-Community Project Funding (CPF) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023, as amended, to undertake a project known as Woodman's Sports and Convention Center for the purpose of the construction of the Woodman's Sports and Convention Center (WSCC) to serve as a public facility and gathering place, a conference/event venue, and a regional sports hub, with a total project cost of \$50,300,000.00 located at 2500 Milton Avenue.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Janesville 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 at The City of Janesville-Neighborhood and Community Services, the Hedberg Public Library, and the City of Janesville Senior Center and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M to 4 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Janesville, Neighborhood and Community Services 18 N Jackson Street, Janesville, WI 53548. All comments received by August 1st, 2023 will be considered by the City of Janesville prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Janesville certifies to HUD that Jennifer Petruzzello in her capacity as Neighborhood and Community Services Director 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Janesville to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Janesville'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 Janesville; (b) the City of Janesville 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 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, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD at 77 W Jackson Blvd, Chicago, IL 60604-3507. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Jennifer Petruzzello, Neighborhood and Community Services Director
