

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

June 17, 2025
The City of Charleston
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Charleston, SC, 29401
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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Housing Authority of the City of Charleston, SC.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about **June 25, 2025**, The City of Charleston will authorize the Housing Authority of the City of Charleston to submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of Capital Funds under Section 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1437) to fund water and sewer line replacement and limited site improvements at a public housing property known as Meeting Street Manor, located at 562 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC 29403. The property consists of thirteen (13) two-story multi-family apartment buildings, one (1) community center building, and one (1) leasing office/administrative building constructed in 1936 with an addition to the community building in 1979. The property structures contain a total of seventy-three (73) residential dwelling units and are situated on approximately 5.39 acres of land. The subject property includes a gross building area of approximately 51,538 square feet. The proposed scope of work consists of the limited removal of existing sidewalk, curb, utilities, parking, roads, and landscaping; replacement of on-site water and sewer lines; installation of a new water master meter; and installation of three (3) new sewer manhole connections. The work will affect the following addresses: 562 A-U Meeting Street, 235, 237 - 241 Nassau Street, 247, 249 - 253 Nassau Street, 234, 236 - 258 Nassau Street, 260, 262 - 270 Nassau Street, 83, 85 - 97 Johnson Street, 88, 90, 94, 98 Johnson Street, 86, 88 - 100 Harris Street, 239, 241 - 249 Hanover Street, and 1 Strobel Lane. The estimated project cost is \$1,758,138.80 and will be funded by the HUD Capital Fund Program, Fiscal Year 2024.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Charleston 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 Charleston, Department of Housing and Community Development, 75 Calhoun Street, Third Floor, Charleston, SC 29401, and may be examined or copied weekdays between 8:30 A.M and 5:00 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Charleston, Department of Housing and Community Development. All comments received by **June 24, 2025**, will be considered by the City of Charleston before authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Charleston certifies to HUD, South Carolina that Geona Shaw Johnson in her capacity as Director of Housing and Community Development, 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, South Carolina's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Housing Authority of the City of Charleston to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD, South Carolina will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Charleston'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 Charleston, (b) the City of Charleston 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, South Carolina; 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/SC, Columbia, SC Program Center, 1835 Assembly Street, Columbia, SC 29201-2408. Potential objectors should contact HUD/ SC to verify the actual last day of the objection period.



Geona Shaw Johnson, Director
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City of Charleston