

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

2/29/2024

Autauga County Commission
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TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Autauga County Commission.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about 3/19/2024 the Autauga County Commission will submit a request to the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) for the release of CDBG funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (PL 93-383), to undertake a project known as **CDBG-CE Project No. CY-CE-PF-23-012** for the purpose of **revitalizing Old Kingston Park by making parking spaces and restroom facilities ADA compliant, adding benches, grills, picnic tables, sidewalks, a ½ walking trail, safe fencing, and playground equipment. This will be accomplished with \$440,000, \$400,000 in awarded CDBG dollars, and \$40,000 in local match dollars.**

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Autauga County Commission 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 Autauga County Commission, located at 135 No. Court Street, Suite B, Prattville, AL 36067. The Administrator, Scott Kramer, will make arrangements for the report to be examined or copied weekdays between 9 AM to 4 PM.**

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to **Jay Thompson, Chairman, Autauga County Commission, 135 North Court Street, Suite B, Prattville, AL 36067.** All comments received by 3/18/2024 will be considered by the Autauga County Commission prior to authorizing submission of a Request for Release of Funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Autauga County Commission certifies to ADECA that **Jay Thompson** in their capacity as **Chairman** 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. ADECA's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Autauga County Commission to use Program Funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

ADECA will accept objections to its release of funds and the Autauga County Commission certification for a period of 15-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 or the Autauga County Commission; (b) the Autauga County Commission 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 ADECA; 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 the State at: Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, Community and Economic Development Division, PO Box 5690, Montgomery, AL 36103. Potential objectors should contact ADECA to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Chairman Jay Thompson, Autauga County Commission