



NOTICE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

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**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF RECORD OF DECISION AND
NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS**

Friday, January 24, 2020
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These notices satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Los Angeles Housing + Community Investment Department (HCIDLA).

RECORD OF DECISION

HCIDLA is issuing a Record of Decision (ROD), which is deemed a final administrative decision as defined by 40 CFR 1505.2, for the redevelopment of Rose Hill Courts Public Housing Community as proposed by the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA). HCIDLA has decided, after completion of a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and a thorough consideration of the public comments on the Draft EIS, to implement the Proposed Action. This ROD contains a description of the proposed action, alternatives considered, factors involved in the decision and resources impacted, a responsiveness summary of public comments received throughout the NEPA process, and a remedial action plan to avoid or minimize potential environmental harm from the proposed project.

Electronic copy of the ROD and additional project information is available for public review on the following websites:

- HACLA Website: <http://www.hacla.org/dsprojects/ID/8/Rose-Hill-Courts>
- HCIDLA Website: <http://hcidla.lacity.org/NEPA-review>

CDs and paper copies will also be available for public review at the following locations during regular business hours:

- HACLA at 2600 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90057
- The Administrative Office of the Rose Hill Courts Community Center located at 4446 Florizel St., Los Angeles, CA 90032. Contact Mario Ramsey at: (323) 342-6710 to schedule an appointment for viewing.
- El Sereno Branch Library, located at 5226 Huntington Drive S., Los Angeles, CA 90032

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about February 9, 2020, HCIDLA will authorize HACLA to submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Section 8 Project-Based Voucher funds under the Housing Act of 1937; Omnibus Appropriations Act of 2009, Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act of 2012, and Public Law 112-55, as amended to undertake the following project:

PROJECT: Rose Hill Courts Redevelopment

PURPOSE: HACLA proposes to redevelop the existing 5.24-acre (228,255 square feet) Rose Hill Courts public housing site located within the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan, in the El Sereno Community of the City of Los Angeles (City). Rose Hill Courts is a low-income public housing project constructed in 1942 by HACLA. Rose Hill Courts was formally determined eligible for the National Historic Register of Historic Places and is therefore listed

in the California Register of Historical Resources. The Project proposes to build 185 new multi-family units, 174 parking spaces and a Management Office/Community Building. The existing 15 structures onsite, which currently have significant capital needs due to their age, would be demolished. The project will be in compliance with the development regulations pursuant to the Los Angeles Municipal Code and the allowable land uses as set forth by the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan Area, a part of the City of Los Angeles General Plan.

LOCATION: 4446 Florizel Street, City of Los Angeles
County of Los Angeles, CA 90032

FUNDING: \$ 82,980,000 / Section 8 Project-Based Vouchers
\$ 2,685,518 / Rental Assistance Demonstration Conversion

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to HCIDLA. All comments received by February 08, 2020 will be considered by HCIDLA prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which notice and which project they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

HCIDLA certifies to HUD that Rushmore D. Cervantes in his capacity as General Manager of the Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department 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 HCIDLA to use program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to the Responsible Entity's (RE) Request for Release of Funds and Environmental Certification for a period of fifteen days following the submission date specified above or the actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the RE; (b) the RE has omitted a step or failed to make a determination or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58 or by CEQ regulations at 40 CFR 1500-1508, as applicable; (c) the RE has omitted one or more steps in the preparation, completion or publication of the Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Study per 24 CFR Subparts E, F or G of Part 58, as applicable; (d) the grant recipient or other participant in the development process has committed funds for or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before release of funds and approval of the environmental certification; (e) another Federal, State or local agency 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 the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 300 North Los Angeles Street, Suite #4054, Los Angeles, California 90012. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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