

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

August 16, 2012

WestMetro HOME Consortium  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459-1449  
(617) 796-1120

Commonwealth of MA Dept. of Housing &  
Community Development (DHCD)  
100 Cambridge Street, Suite 300  
Boston, MA 02114

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

These Notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Newton on behalf of the WestMetro HOME Consortium Program and the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD).

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST THE RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about September 5, 2012, the City of Newton on behalf of the WestMetro HOME Consortium and DHCD will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of funds from the HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) Title II of the Cranston Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended, and DHCD will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Boston Regional Office for the release of Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCVP) funds under Section 8, The Housing Act of 1937, as amended, for the purpose of attaching eight project-based vouchers to be utilized in a project known as:

Project Title:	The Coolidge at Sudbury
For the Purpose Of:	New Construction of 64 units of age-restricted housing for seniors (55 years and older). Of the 64 units, 56 will be affordable at 60% or less of area median income and eight project-based Section 8 units will be available to households below 50% of area median income.
Location:	189 Boston Post Road, Sudbury, MA 01776
MA Dept. of Housing and Community Development:	The project will include the use of eight (8) project-based Section 8 subsidies from Mass DHCD.
Estimated HOME Funding:	\$646,666 Total; (\$96,666 from WestMetro HOME Consortium and \$550,000 from DHCD)
Estimated non-HUD Funding:	\$15,696,993

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The WestMetro HOME Consortium and DHCD have 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 WestMetro HOME Consortium, Planning and Development Department, 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, MA 02459-1449 or DHCD, Housing Development Division, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02114. In Newton, the materials may be examined or copied weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and at DHCD, the materials are available between 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on either the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and/or the Notice of Intent to Request the Release of Funds (NOI) to the WestMetro HOME Consortium Program, 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, MA 02459-1449 or DHCD, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02114. Commenters must specify whether their comments address the FONSI or the NOI or both. All comments received by September 4, 2012 will be considered by the WestMetro HOME Consortium Program and DHCD prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing. Comments should be directed to either:

Anne Marie Belrose,  
Community Development Manager  
WestMetro HOME Consortium  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459-1449  
Email: [abelrose@newtonma.gov](mailto:abelrose@newtonma.gov)

Catherine Racer, Associate Director  
MA Dept. of Housing & Community  
Development  
100 Cambridge Street, Suite 300  
Boston, MA 02114

## **RELEASE OF FUNDS**

The City of Newton on behalf of the WestMetro HOME Consortium certifies to HUD that Anne Marie Belrose, in her capacity as Community Development Manager, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts acting through DHCD, certifies that Catherine Racer in her capacity as Certifying Officer 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 WestMetro HOME Program and DHCD to use Program funds for the purpose specified.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Newton and DHCD'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 Newton, MA and DHCD; (b) the City of Newton and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have 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 Director, Office of Community Planning and Development, HUD, 10 Causeway Street, Boston, MA 02222-1092. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

For the WestMetro HOME Consortium:  
Anne Marie Belrose  
Community Development Manager

For DHCD:  
Catherine Racer  
Associate Director