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NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

Date of Publication: November 27th, 2024
 City of Somerville
 93 Highland Ave
 Somerville MA, 02143
 617-625-6600

On or after November 27th, 2024, the City of Somerville will submit a request to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake the following project:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Neighborhood Infrastructure and Improvements

Purpose: The project will focus on making improvements in underserved and income eligible areas.

Location: Income eligible low- to moderate-income census tracts.

Project/Program Description: The project will focus on making infrastructure, streetscape, and multi-modal safety improvements including traffic calming, ADA improvements, and utility improvements in underserved and income eligible areas. The activities identified will be aimed at benefiting areas that serve a minimum of 800 low- to moderate-income residents. As a result of the densely populated nature of Somerville's neighborhoods, OSPCD is confident that most activities will serve a much higher number of low- to moderate-income persons. It is likely that this tiered review will cover no more than three different infrastructure projects.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(1)(2)

Tier 2 Site Specific Review: The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review: Contamination and Toxic Substances [24 CFR 50.3(1) & 58.5(i)(2)], Endangered Species [Endangered Species Act of 1973], Floodplain Management [Executive Order 11988], Historic Preservation [National Historic Preservation Act of 1966], Noise Abatement and Control [Noise Control Act of 1972], Wetlands Protection [Executive Order 11990], and Environmental Justice [Executive Order 12898].

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): Once sites are selected, tier 2 reviews will be conducted to ensure that they: are not located in a FEMA designated flood area; are not near or containing hazardous, toxic, or radioactive materials; do not suffer from adverse environmental conditions; will not be adversely harmed by the proposed action as well as the surrounding neighborhood; do not adversely affect a Massachusetts historically significant site; do not have an adverse effect on endangered or threatened species, or critical habitats; are not subject to adverse noise levels; are in the proximity of explosive/flammable hazards. If the described Tier 2 review does identify any of these scenarios, HUD guidelines will be followed to best mitigate the concern.

Estimated Project Cost: HUD Funding: \$50,000 Estimated Cost: \$50,000

The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per CFR Part 58.35(a)(1)(2). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, City of Somerville, 93 Highland Ave, Somerville, MA and may be examined or copied Monday - Wednesday 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Thursday 8:30 A.M. - 7:30 P.M. or Friday 8:30 A.M. -12:30 P.M. or can be requested through an email to mrubin@somervillema.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

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OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

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Alan Inacio, Director of Finance and Community Development, City of Somerville, Certifying Officer

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City of Somerville PLANNING BOARD

City Hall 3rd Floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville MA 02143

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The **Somerville Planning Board (PB)** will hold a virtual public hearing on **Thursday, December 5, 2024**, at 6:00pm through Zoom.

Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, this meeting of the Planning Board will be conducted via remote participation. An audio recording of these proceedings will be available upon request to planningboard@somervillema.gov.

TO USE A COMPUTER

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/81255740142>
 Webinar ID: 812 5574 0142

TO CALL IN

An attendee must register for the meeting online in order for a call-in number to be emailed to them by Zoom.

The Planning Board will consider the following pursuant to M.G.L. 40A and the Somerville Zoning Ordinance:

20-23 Cummings Street Greystar Development East, LLC proposes a Master Plan in the Assembly Square Mixed-Use (ASMD) special district, which requires a Master Plan Special Permit.

20-23 Cummings Street Greystar Development East, LLC seeks waivers from dimensional standards for building height, floor area ratio, and front setback, proposing occupancy of commercial space greater than 10,000 square feet in leasable floor area in the Assembly Square Mixed-use district and modifications to the provisions of Section 11.2 Motor Vehicle Parking, all which requires a Special Permit.

Development review application submittal materials and other documentation may be viewed online at

<https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/ospcd/planning-and-zoning/reports-and-decisions>. Interested persons may provide comments to the Planning Board at the hearing or by submitting written comments by email to PlanningBoard@somervillema.gov.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PROCUREMENT & CONTRACTING SERVICES DEPARTMENT

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP# 25-30 On-Call Real Estate Development and Relocation Services

The City of Somerville, through the Procurement & Contract Services Department invites proposals for:

On-Call Real Estate Development and Relocation Services

The RFP package may be obtained online at <https://www.somervillema.gov/procurement> or from the City of Somerville's BidExpress page at <http://www.somervillema.gov/BidExpress> on or after: **Monday, November 25, 2024**. Sealed responses will be received at the PCS Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 or via Bid Express until: **2:00 pm, Monday, December 16, 2024**.

The City of Somerville reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, waive any minor informality in the RFP process, and accept the proposal(s) deemed to be in the best interests of the City of Somerville.

Please email jremy@somervillema.gov for more information.

Jordan Remy
 Senior Procurement Manager
 617-625-6600 x3400

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Notice of Intent

The following vehicles will be sold Pursuit to M.G.L. 255 S.39A

- 2014 TOYOTA COROLLA VIN# 2T1BURHE 0E C226652
- 2016 NISSAN PATHFINDE R VIN# 5N1AR2MM8G C644000
- 2006 HONDA CIVIC VIN# 2HG FA16576H526731
- 2007 VW JE TTA VIN# 3VWE G 71K37M159285
- 2009 ACURA TL VIN# 19UUA96589A004750
- 2010 KIA FORTE VIN# KNAFU4A24A51275498

To satisfy the debt owed to Cityside Enterprises Inc.
 617-776-6111

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Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice Prime Storage - Somerville located at 39R Medford St., Somerville, MA 02143 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagetreasures.com on **12/10/2024 at 12:00PM**. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods, furnishings and garage essentials. Jessica Cheney unit #1402; Stella Burke/U.S. Postal Service unit #1512; Campbell Chesterfield unit #2023. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

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Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Green Infrastructure

Purpose: The City will Operate a tree planting program.

Location: Income eligible low- to moderate-income census tracts.

Project/Program Description: The City will operate a tree planting program in eligible low- to moderate-income census tracts. Activities identified will be aimed at benefitting areas that serve a minimum of 500 low- to moderate-income residents. Given the densely populated nature of Somerville's neighborhoods, OSPCD is confident most activities will serve a much higher number of low- to moderate-income residents. This program is operated citywide, but CDBG funds are only used for trees planted in CDBG-eligible areas. The planting process for city trees may involve some ground disturbances.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(1)

Tier 2 Site Specific Review: The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review: Contamination and Toxic Substances [24 CFR 50.3(1) & 58.5(i)(2)], Endangered Species [Endangered Species Act of 1973], Floodplain Management [Executive Order 11988], Historic Preservation [National Historic Preservation Act of 1966], Noise Abatement and Control [Noise Control Act of 1972], Wetlands Protection [Executive Order 11990], and Environmental Justice [Executive Order 12898].

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Estimated Project Cost: HUD Funding: \$50,000 Estimated Cost: \$50,000

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City of Somerville ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

City Hall 3rd Floor, 93 Highland Avenue, Somerville MA 02143

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The **Somerville Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA)** will hold a virtual public hearing on **Wednesday, December 4, 2024**, at 6:00pm through Zoom.

Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, this meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals will be conducted via remote participation. An audio recording of these proceedings will be available upon request to ZoningBoard@somervillema.gov.

TO USE A COMPUTER

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/WN_QBqJauXgQ06aiQ0-R6HcVQ
 Webinar ID: 844 3407 4866

TO CALL IN

An attendee must register for the meeting online in order for a call-in number to be emailed to them by Zoom.

The Zoning Board will consider the following pursuant to M.G.L. 40A and the Somerville Zoning Ordinance:

- 483 Broadway** Tavis Babbitt seeks zoning relief from the minimum number of stories requirement in the MR4 district, which requires a Hardship Variance.
- 483 Broadway** Tavis Babbitt seeks zoning relief from the story height requirement in the MR4 district, which requires a Hardship Variance.

Development review application submittal materials and other documentation may be viewed online at <https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/ospcd/planning-and-zoning/reports-and-decisions>.

Interested persons may provide comments to the Zoning Board of Appeals at the hearing or by submitting written comments by email to ZoningBoard@somervillema.gov.

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CITY OF SOMERVILLE PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTING SERVICES DEPARTMENT INVITATION FOR BIDS IFB #25-31

The City of Somerville, through the Procurement and Contracting Services Department, Invites Sealed Bids For:

Repair & Maintenance of Door Systems

A bid package may be obtained online at: <https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/finance/procurement-and-contracting-services> or from the City of Somerville's BidExpress page at <http://www.somervillema.gov/BidExpress> on or after: **Wednesday, November 27th, 2024**. Sealed responses will be received at the PCS Department, Somerville City Hall, 93 Highland Ave., Somerville, MA, 02143 or via Bid Express until: **2pm, Monday, December 16th, 2024**. The Chief Procurement Officer reserves the right to reject any or all proposals if, in her sole judgment, the best interest of the City of Somerville would be served by so doing.

Note: Non-mandatory group site visit 12/9/2024 - see bid pkg for details.

Please email Sonia Castro scastro@somervillema.gov for more info.

Sonia Castro
 Procurement Manager
 617-625-6600 x3407

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Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Small Business Resiliency

Purpose: Provide technical assistance to small businesses in the East Somerville and Union Square areas.

Location: Income eligible areas including East Somerville, Winter Hill, and Union Square. Specific addresses and locations will be subject to environmental reviews once identified.

Project/Program Description: This is a technical assistance program, and will support small businesses in the East Somerville and Union Square areas. The technical assistance will provide small businesses that provide direct services to clients of whom a minimum of 60% reflect the target populations that follow: women/minority owned businesses, immigrant/non-native English speaking, low-moderate income entrepreneurs. The businesses may receive things such as: one-on-one consulting, coaching, and mentoring, direct financial assistance to help do things such as acquire property/clear structures/build, expand, or rehab a building/purchase equipment, provide operating capital or lease negotiations, or train new/existing entrepreneurs to understand fundamental business concepts.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(1)(2)

Tier 2 Site Specific Review: The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review: Contamination and Toxic Substances [24 CFR 50.3(1) & 58.5(i)(2)], Endangered Species [Endangered Species Act of 1973], Explosive and Flammable Hazards [24 CFR Part 51 Subpart C], Floodplain Management [Executive Order 11988], Historic Preservation [National Historic Preservation Act of 1966], Noise Abatement and Control [Noise Control Act of 1972], Wetlands Protection [Executive Order 11990], and Environmental Justice [Executive Order 12898].

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Estimated Project Cost: HUD Funding: \$150,000 **Estimated Cost:** \$150,000

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Alan Inacio, Director of Finance and Community Development, City of Somerville, Certifying Officer

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**CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
KATJANA BALLANTYNE
MAYOR**

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Somerville City Council's Land Use Committee and the Somerville Planning Board will hold a joint public hearing on **Thursday, December 5, 2024** at 6:30 pm. Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, this hearing will be conducted via remote participation.

REGISTER ONLINE

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cvS0G2tSSR2F3FsejD-rww

The purpose of this hearing is to receive public comments concerning the following:

- Mayor Ballantyne requesting ordainment of an amendment to Sections 2.1 and 11.1 of the Zoning Ordinance to improve the regulation of bicycle parking.
- Mayor Ballantyne requesting ordainment of an amendment to Section 3.2.6 Building Types of the Zoning Ordinance to allow the building types permitted in the Neighborhood Residence (NR) zoning district to also be permitted in the Urban Residence (UR) zoning district.

Zoning amendments may be viewed online by searching the Somerville City Council's [online meeting calendar](#) for the address or item number.

Final language of the above amendments may be modified by the City Council during the legislative process. Persons unable to attend the hearing may provide comments by email to the Planning Board and the City Council at publiccomments@somervillema.gov. Comments must be received no later than 12 Noon the day of the Hearing to ensure they are conveyed to the Committee for inclusion with the hearing testimony. The Chair(s) may opt to extend the period for written comments, in which case additional comments will be accepted until the date indicated. This information can be found in the minutes of the meeting.

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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Essex Probate and Family Court
36 Federal Street
Salem, MA 01970**

Essex Division

Docket No. ES24D1281DR

**SEPARATE SUPPORT SUMMONS
BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING**

**Virgilia Mayelin Peralta
vs.
Rene Francisco Peralta**

To Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Separate Support requesting that the Court

establish that such living apart from the defendant is for justifiable cause.

grant him/her custody of the child(ren)

order Plaintiff to be able to apply for passport for minor child(ren)

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:

**Virgilia Mayelin Peralta
108 Franklin Street
Apt 25
Lynn, MA 01902**

your answer, if any, on or before **12/30/2024**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

WITNESS, Hon. Frances M. Giordano, First Justice of this Court.

Date: November 7, 2024

**Pamela A. Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate**

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Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Parks and Open Space Improvements

Purpose: Enhancing urban environment through additional and improved recreational spaces.

Location: Income eligible areas including but not limited to East Somerville, Winter Hill, and Union Square. Specific addresses will be assessed in the site-specific reviews.

Project/Program Description: This project will create and revitalize quality recreational open spaces in the city's most densely populated and under-served neighborhoods. The City will focus its parks and open space activities on the low-to-moderate-income neighborhoods that demonstrate the greatest need and lack of suitable green space and recreational amenities.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: 24 CFR Part 58.35(a)(1)

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Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): Tier 2 reviews will be conducted to ensure projects comply with the above listed federal regulations. Sites will be reviewed to ensure they are not located in FEMA designated flood area and that there are not on-site or nearby hazardous, toxic, or radioactive materials that could harm the health and safety of occupants. Project sites will be evaluated to determine that the site and surrounding neighborhood do not suffer from adverse environmental conditions and that the proposed action will not create an adverse and disproportionate environmental impact or aggravate an existing impact. The Massachusetts Historical Society/State Historic Preservation Officer will be consulted to ensure the project does not adversely affect a historical site and when relevant, Tribal Historical Preservation Officers will also be consulted. Sites will be reviewed to ensure projects do not have an adverse effect on endangered or threatened species or critical habitats. Due to potential ground disturbances, potential effects on endangered species, important farmland, and wetlands will also be reviewed. If adverse conditions are identified related to the above listed regulations, HUD guidance will be consulted to ensure proper mitigation occurs for each project site.

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 MAYOR'S OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING
 & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
 KATJANA BALLANTYNE
 MAYOR

THOMAS F. GALLIGANI, JR.
 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

LEGAL NOTICE - HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION (HPC)

The Somerville Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) will hold a public meeting and public hearings on **Tuesday, December 17, 2024** at 6:45pm on the following applications, in accordance with the Historic Districts Act, Chapter 40C of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended, and/or the City of Somerville Code of Ordinances, Pt. II, Chap. 7, Sections 7-16 – 7-28.

Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, this meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission will be conducted via remote participation. An audio recording of these proceedings will be available upon request to historic@somervillema.gov.

TO USE A COMPUTER

Registration URL:
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_26go3GiRRVvIM7UjtM-9KQ

Webinar ID: 864 4773 8484

TO CALL IN

An attendee must register for the meeting online in order for a call-in number to be emailed to them by Zoom.

ALL OF THE CASES ADVERTISED BELOW HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING COMPONENT

DETERMINATIONS OF HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE (STEP 1 IN THE DEMOLITION REVIEW PROCESS)

HP24-000104- 42 Vinal Avenue

Applicant: Morse Constructions
 Owner: Alexandra Fitzsimmons & Sean Brann
The Applicant seeks to demolish an accessory structure constructed a minimum of 75 years ago.

*Case documents reviewed by the HPC are available on the City website at <https://www.somervillema.gov/departments/historic-preservation/hpc-cases>. Cases may be continued to a later date; please check the agenda (posted 48 hours in advance of the meeting) on the City website or email historic@somervillema.gov to inquire if specific cases will be heard. Continued cases will not be re-advertised. **Note:** Written comments due to historic@somervillema.gov **NO LATER THAN NOON** one week prior to the meeting date. Email historic@somervillema.gov with inquiries.*

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR TIERED PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

Date of Publication: November 27th, 2024

City of Somerville
93 Highland Ave
Somerville MA, 02143
617-625-6600

On or after November 27th, 2024, the City of Somerville will submit a request to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake the following project:

Tier 1 Broad Review Project/Program Title: Housing Acquisition and Rehabilitation

Purpose: Create and Preserve Affordable Housing

Location: This program will be conducted citywide, and once specific homes/addresses have been identified, further environmental review will be conducted for those specific sites.

Project/Program Description: The goal of this program is to assist low-income households that will participate in the 100 Homes program. CDBG funds will primarily be used to undertake rehabilitation work for income eligible residents, but funds may also be used to fund housing acquisition on a limited basis. The housing rehab program assists low- and moderate-income residents across the city in creating cleaner/safe housing, addressing code violations, and critical rehab needs, and lowering housing costs through energy efficient upgrades.

Level of Environmental Review Citation: CFR Part 58.35(a)(3)

Tier 2 Site Specific Review: The site-specific reviews will cover the following laws and authorities not addressed in the Tier 1 broad review: Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 and National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994, Contamination and Toxic Substances [24 CFR Part 50.3(i) & 58.5(i)(2)], Explosive and Flammable Hazards [24 CFR Part 51], Floodplain Management [Executive Order 11988], National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, Noise Control Act of 1972, and Environmental Justice [Executive Order 12898].

Mitigation Measures/Conditions/Permits (if any): Once sites are selected, the following process will occur to ensure compliance with all relevant federal regulations: sites will be reviewed to ensure they are not located in FEMA designated Special Flood Hazard area and that there are not on-site or nearby hazardous, toxic, or radioactive materials that could harm the health and safety of occupants; project sites will be evaluated to determine that the site and surrounding neighborhood do not suffer from adverse environmental conditions and that the proposed action will not create an adverse and disproportionate environmental impact or aggravate an existing impact; the Massachusetts Historical Society/State Historic Preservation Officer will be consulted to ensure the project does not adversely affect a historical site, and when warranted, relevant tribal historical preservation officers will be consulted; site noise and proximity to explosive/flammable hazards will also be reviewed when warranted by federal regulation. If review identifies areas that require mitigation to address any of the federal regulations reviewed during the Tier 2 review, HUD guidance will be followed to ensure best mitigation practices.

Estimated Project Cost: HUD Funding: \$400,000. Estimated Cost: \$400,000.

The activity/activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements per CFR Part 58.35(a)(3). An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at the Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development, City of Somerville, 93 Highland Ave, Somerville, MA and may be examined or copied Monday - Wednesday 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Thursday 8:30 A.M. - 7:30 P.M. or Friday 8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. or can be requested through an email to mrubin@somervillema.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development. All comments received by December 13th will be considered by the City of Somerville prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Somerville certifies to HUD that Katjana Ballantyne, the Certifying Officer, in her capacity as Mayor of Somerville 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 Somerville to use HUD program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Somerville'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 Somerville; (b) the City 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 the HUD Office of Community Planning and Development at Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Federal Building 10 Causeway Street, 5th Floor Boston, MA 02222-1092, (617) 994-8350 or via email: ma_webmanager@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Katjana Ballantyne, Mayor of Somerville, Certifying Officer

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