# NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

*September 23, 2025* 

St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department Address 19 Public Suare Suite 200 Belleville, IL 62220 (618)825-3218

This notice shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Housing Authority of the City of East Saint Louis

## **REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about October 09, 2025 the St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department will authorize the *Housing Authority of the City of East Saint Louis* to submit a request to the United States Housing and Urban Development, Illinois Office of Public Housing for the release of Capital Fund Program funds under *Section* 9(d)(1) of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, to undertake a project known as Operations and General Capital Activity for the purpose of interior, exterior, rehabilitation at:

IL001-49 Central City Property (1400 Walter Street, East Saint Louis) – estimated funding \$200,000; Walter Jazz (1409 Walter Street, East Saint Louis) – estimated funding \$200,000. The estimated total funding is \$400,000

## **FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department in collaboration with the Housing Authority of the City of East St. Louis 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 St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department; 19 Public Square, Suite 200, Belleville, IL 62220 and the Housing Authority of East St. Louis, Capital Improvements Department; 700 North 20<sup>th</sup> Street, East Saint Louis, IL 62205 and may be examined or copied weekdays 9:00 A.M to 4:00 P.M.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the attention of Lee Mitchell; The Housing Authority of the City of East St. Louis; Capital Improvements Department, 700 North 20<sup>th</sup> Street, East St. Louis, IL 62205. All comments received by **October 8, 2025,** will be considered by the St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department on behalf of the Housing Authority of the City of East St. Louis prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department certifies to United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Illinois Office of Public Housing that Mark Kern in *his* capacity as Chairman of the St. Clair County Board 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. The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Illinois Office of Public Housing's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Housing Authority of the City of East St. Louis to use Program funds.

## **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Illinois Office of Public Housing will accept objections to its release of fund and the St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department'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 St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department; (b) the St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department 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 The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Illinois Office of Public Housing; 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 William O. Dawson, Director, HUD Illinois State Office, Office of Public Housing at 77 West Jackson Blvd, Chicago, IL 60604. Potential objectors should contact The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Illinois Office of Public Housing at 312-913-8300 to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

#### Mark Kern

Chairman of the St. Clair County Board Certifying Officer