

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

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the *City of Mount Vernon*.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about March 18th 2026, the City of Mount Vernon (City) will submit a request to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Columbus Field Office for the release of Community Project Funding (CPF) funds under Division F, Title II of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42) and Division C, Title III of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-47) to undertake a project known as the State Route 13 Relocation to South Sandusky St for the purpose of awarding asbestos assessment and demolition design contracts for 300 W Vine St, 301 W Gambier St, 304 W Gambier St, 203 S Sandusky St, 311 S Mechanic St, 200 W Ohio Ave, 311 S Mulberry St, 321 S Main St, and 401 S Main St which require an estimated funding of \$425,953.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Mount Vernon 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 Engineering Department at 40 Public Square and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M to 4 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City Engineer for the City of Mount Vernon. All comments received by March 17th 2026 will be considered by the City of Mount Vernon prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Mount Vernon certifies to HUD that Brian Ball, P.E. in his capacity as City Engineer 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 Mount Vernon to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Mount Vernon'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 Mount Vernon; (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 Columbus Field Office; 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 HUD Columbus Field Office at CPDColumbusRROF@HUD.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD Columbus Field Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Brian Ball, P.E., City Engineer
