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

September 30, 2016

City of Tuscaloosa

2201 University Boulevard

Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

205-248-5700

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural for activities to be undertaken by the City of Tuscaloosa.

On or about October 17, 2016 the City of Tuscaloosa will submit a request to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development for the release of Community Development Block Grant for Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as Alberta Park, for public infrastructure improvements including various green space restorations in the amount of approximately \$701,027 (\$1,300,000 total budget) at the northeast quadrant of the intersection of University Boulevard East and 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue East, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

The activities comprise a project for which a finding of no significant impact on the environment was published on September 30, 2016. An Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project is on file at City Hall, Office of the Mayor – IPS Administration (2201 University Boulevard, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401), the main branch of the Tuscaloosa Public Library (1801 Jack Warner Parkway NE, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401) and the City's website, www.tuscaloosa.com which may be examined or copied weekdays 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Office of the Mayor – IPS Administration, ATTN: CDBG-DR Comments –Alberta Park. All comments received by October 15, 2016 will be considered by the City of Tuscaloosa prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds.

## **RELEASE OF FUNDS**

The City of Tuscaloosa certifies to HUD that Walter Maddox, in his capacity as Mayor of the City of Tuscaloosa 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 Tuscaloosa to use program funds.

## **OBJECTION TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

HUD will consider objections to its release of funds and the City of Tuscaloosa's certification received by November 1, 2015 or for a period of fifteen days following 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 Tuscaloosa; (b) the City of Tuscaloosa 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 project have committed funds or incurred costs 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) and shall be addressed to HUD at 950 22<sup>nd</sup> Street North, Suite 900, Birmingham, AL 35203. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Walter Maddox Mayor, City of Tuscaloosa