Public Notice

The City of Houston (City) received contracts from the Texas General Land Office (GLO) for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery (DR) Program for Hurricane Ike Round 2, Phase 2. The City, through its Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD), holds two housing contracts with GLO, currently $63,665,230.78 for its Single Family activities and $91,401,917.00 for its Multifamily activities (including $32,555,163 to the City for the Subsidized Housing Allocation, which the City will use in collaboration with the Houston Housing Authority (HHA)). The total amount of the City’s Housing portion of Round 2 Hurricane Ike funds is $155,067,147.78. The Round 2 Infrastructure (or non-Housing) grant was originally listed as $26,148,986.00. The Single Family contract has been amended six times, the Multifamily contract has been amended five times, and the Infrastructure contract has been amended three times.

One project that will be pursued by HCDD is the Recenter Project, 3809 Main Street, Houston, TX 77002, in City Council District D. HCDD proposes to use $3,900,000 in Hurricane Ike Round 2 Multifamily funds and $100,000 in bonds for construction. The total development cost is proposed at $19,622,395. This project will provide 62 single occupancy efficiencies, each with private bathrooms and kitchenettes. This is a transit oriented development with proximity to a Metro Rail line, to hospitals, to vocational and academic training campuses, and to employment opportunities.

The fifteen-day public comment period for these changes extends from Monday, January 8, 2018 through Tuesday, January 23, 2018. Written comments can be submitted by mail to Peggy Colligan, HCDD, 601 Sawyer Suite 400, Houston, TX 77007 or by email to Margaret.Colligan@HoustonTX.gov. Questions about individual projects can be directed to Ray Miller at (832) 394-6119. Following the public comment period, the items will be submitted to City Council for approval. For more information on HCDD and its programs, you may access HCDD’s website at http://www.houstontx.gov/housing/.

For specific questions or concerns about fair housing or landlord/tenant relations, please contact Royce Sells at (832) 394-6240.