The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) proposes Amendment #6 to the Multifamily Hurricane Ike Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery (DR) Program for Hurricane Ike Round 2, Phase 2. The Texas General Land Office (GLO) awarded a contract to the City of Houston (City) of Hurricane CDBG-DR funds to HCDD for Multifamily activity, and the contract has been amended five times. Amendment 6, once approved by GLO, will transfer funds from the Hurricane Ike Round 2, Phase 2 CDBG-DR Infrastructure grant to the Hurricane Ike Round 2, Phase 2 CDBG-DR Multifamily grant. It is estimated that the amount of funds that will be transferred to the Multifamily grant will be no more than $2,298,713.40, for a new total not to exceed $91,874,043.40.

HCDD published the original notification of specific projects on Monday, November 11, 2013. These are the possible additions:

Somerset Lofts, located at 8506 Hempstead Road will be a 120-unit apartment development, including 120 affordable units. This project will include acquisition and new construction. This project is in City Council District C. HCDD will seek authorization by City Council once the amendment is approved by GLO. The CDBG-DR loan agreement will be $6,000,000 of the total $22,999,897 project.

Park Yellowstone, located at 3322 Yellowstone Blvd is a 210-unit apartment development, including 210 affordable units. This project will include acquisition and rehabilitation. This project is in City Council District D. HCDD will seek authorization by City Council once the amendment is approved by GLO. The CDBG-DR loan agreement will be $8,623,297 of the total $29,185,874 project.

St. Elizabeth Place, located at 4514 Lyons Avenue will be a 110-unit mixed-income apartment development, including 98 affordable units. This project will include acquisition and historic adaptive re-use (conversion of historic hospital building into affordable housing). This project is in City Council District C. HCDD will seek authorization by City Council once the amendment is approved by GLO. The CDBG-DR loan agreement will be $5,000,000 of the total $27,235,141 project.

The fifteen-day public comment period for these changes extends from Wednesday, July 11, 2018 through Thursday, July 26, 2018. For more information on the program changes, contact Ryan Bibbs at (832) 394-6128. 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. 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 Yolanda Guess-Jeffries at 832.394.6308.