

## Public Notice

The City of Houston (City) was awarded an Economic Development Initiative (EDI) grant in 1995. Along with this came loan authority from Section 108. Both funding sources can enhance affordable housing, infrastructure, and economic development within the City's boundaries. The Housing and Community Development Department (HCDD) plans a contract between the City of Houston and Avenue Community Development Corporation (Avenue CDC) granting \$4,500,000 in Economic Development Initiative funds and \$1,500,000 Section 108 Loan Guarantee funds to construct a 31,016-square foot community hub called Avenue Center.

Avenue Center will be located within the Enhanced Enterprise Community (EEC) boundaries of Near Northside at 3517 Irvington Boulevard and will house community programs such as homebuyer education classes, resident leadership development, a primary health care clinic, an early childhood development program, and a high school educational enrichment and drop-out prevention program. Services offered at Avenue Center will be accessible to approximately 18,465 low-to-moderate income persons. The total cost to design, build, and equip Avenue Center is \$10,407,444. This project is pending approval from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The public has 30 days to comment on the proposed change. The comment period extends from Tuesday, June 5, 2018 until Thursday, July 5, 2018. Upon completion of the 30-day public comment period, HCDD will request City Council action. For more information on this project, call Ana Patino-Martinez at (832) 394-6222 or submit your questions or written comments to Peggy Colligan at [Margaret.Colligan@HoustonTX.gov](mailto:Margaret.Colligan@HoustonTX.gov) or Peggy Colligan, HCDD, 601 Sawyer Suite 400, Houston, TX 77007. 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 HCDD at (832) 394-6300 and choose the option for Fair Housing.