

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

September 29, 2022

Town of Kingstree

401 N. Longstreet Street

Kingstree, SC 29556

843-355-7484

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about October 18, 2022 the Town of Kingstree will submit a request to the SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division for the release of CDBG funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as The Town of Kingstree Main Street Streetscape Improvements Project (#CE-21-13) for the purpose of improving the walkability, safety, and appearance in an effort to improve access, visitation, and exploration by residents and guests to the two blocks of E. Main Street, Kingstree, SC. Funding for this project includes \$744,730 in CDBG funding and \$97,957 in local match.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Town of Kingstree 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 Town of Kingstree (401 N. Longstreet Street, Kingstree, SC) and Waccamaw Regional Council of Governments (1230 Highmarket Street, Georgetown, SC) and may be examined or copied weekdays 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Town of Kingstree. All comments received by October 17, 2022 will be considered by the Town of Kingstree prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Town of Kingstree certifies to SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division that Richard Treme in his capacity as Town Manager 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. The SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Town of Kingstree to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division will accept objections to its release of funds and the Town of Kingstree'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 Town of Kingstree; (b) the Town of Kingstree 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 the Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division; 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 SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division at 1201 Main Street, Suite 1600, Columbia, SC, 29201. Potential objectors should contact SC Department of Commerce/Grants Administration Division to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

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or phone 843-355-7484*
