

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT and NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

4/1/26

**City of George West, 406 Nueces Street, George West, TX 78022
(361) 449-1556**

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about 4/21/26, the City of George West will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture (Department), Office of Rural Affairs for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Section 104(f) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, to undertake a project known as 2025 CDBG City of George West Sidewalk Improvements Project #CDM25-0567 for the purpose of replacing sidewalks, ramps and lighting in the downtown area for safer pedestrian travel.

Project Description: Reconstruct 1,875 LF of concrete sidewalk including ramps. Reconstruct 720 LF of curb and gutter. Install 22 street light fixtures. Complete related pavement repair, and all associated appurtenances, to include administrative and engineering services and fees.

Location: Houston Street (Business Highway 59), from Brazos Street to Nueces Street (Highway 281), (mid-coordinates: 28.334316, -98.114955), George West, Live Oak County, TX.

Funding: CDBG \$1,000,000; City of George West matching funds \$50,000. Total HUD and Non-HUD Funding, and Total Estimated Project Cost: \$1,050,000.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of George West 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 City of George West, 406 Nueces Street, George West, TX 78022 and may be examined or copied weekdays 8 A.M. to Noon and 1 P.M. to 5 P.M. Requests can also be submitted to citysecretary@cityofgw.org.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of George West, City Secretary's Office. All comments received by 4/20/26 will be considered by the City of George West prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments can be mailed to the City of George West at 406 Nueces Street, George West, TX 78022, (361) 449-1556, Attn: Mayor Andrew Garza's Office, or by email to citysecretary@cityofgw.org. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of George West certifies to the Texas Department of Agriculture, Office of Rural Affairs

that Andrew Garza, in his capacity as Mayor, 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 Department's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of George West to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Texas Department of Agriculture will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of George West'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 City of George West (b) the City of George West 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; 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 Environmental Review Specialist, Texas Department of Agriculture by email at CDBG_ENVReview@TexasAgriculture.gov. Potential objectors should contact the TDA Environmental Review Specialist at CDBG_ENVReview@TexasAgriculture.gov to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Andrew Garza, Mayor