

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

Date of Notice: July 10, 2026

City of Philadelphia
Division of Housing and Community Development
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Philadelphia, PA 19107
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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Philadelphia.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about July 28, 2026, the City of Philadelphia will submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of a HUD FY2024 Community Planning and Development (CPF) award to undertake the following project:

Project Title: Carousel House

Purpose: Partial demolition and rehabilitation of the existing 22,000 square feet recreation building and construction of two new recreation buildings (32,000 square feet, combined), as well as significant site work. The updated facility will include an indoor lap pool with zero entry accessibility and accessible locker rooms serving both the pool and multi-purpose athletic space. The multi-purpose athletic space will include full-sized basketball courts and spectator seating. The new facility will also include an elevated walking loop, lobby, flexible classrooms, staff office space, kitchen, ceramics room, sensory room, and storage and mechanical spaces. In addition to the recreation building, Rebuild will do significant renovation to the outdoor facilities at Carousel House, including expanding the parking lot, creating a new driveway to the building's main entrance, and building a fully inclusive playground and community garden.

Location: 4300 Avenue of the Republic, Philadelphia, PA 19131; in the West Fairmount Park area of Philadelphia, PA

Estimated Cost: The total development cost is estimated to be \$50,000,000, including a Community Project Funding grant award totaling \$1,000,000.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Philadelphia 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). The ERR will be made available to the

public for review either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to City of Philadelphia, City Planning Commission, 1515 Arch Street, 13th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102 or by email to planning@phila.gov.

POSTING INFORMATION

The legal notice is also posted online at the following website:

www.phila.gov/dhcd/legal-notices

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to DHCD. All comments received by July 27, 2026 will be considered by the DHCD prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City certifies to HUD that Jessie Lawrence in his capacity as Director of Planning and Development 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. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Philadelphia's ReBuild program to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the City's certification for a period of fifteen (15) 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; (b) the City 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 HUD; 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 HUD's Philadelphia Office of Community Planning and Development at CPDRROFPHI@hud.gov. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.



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