NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING and AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT RELATING TO THE CITY OF POCATELLO'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDING

SPECIFICALLY:

- Draft Program Years 2022-2026 Consolidated Plan;
- Draft Program Year 2022 Annual Action Plan;
- Update to Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice; and
- Revised Citizen Participation Plan

ORAL COMMENT OPPORTUNITY: Thursday, February 3rd, 2022 at 6 p.m. MT

PLACE: Council Chambers, Municipal Building, 911 North 7th Ave., Pocatello, Idaho

ORGANIZATION HEARING COMMENT: Pocatello City Council

In accordance with its Citizen Participation Plan and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development requirements, the City of Pocatello announces the availability of its draft PY2022-2026 Consolidated Plan, Draft Program Year 2022 Annual Action Plan, update to the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, and revised Citizen Participation Plan. January 2, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. MT signals the opening of a 30-day comment period on the issues shown above. Oral and written comments may be offered at the above-stated time and place. Other written comments must be received on or before 12:00 noon, Thursday, February 3, 2022, at: City of Pocatello, Planning and Development Services Department, ATTN: Christine Howe, 911 North 7th Ave., Pocatello, ID 83205-4169.

As an entitlement city for the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and to receive its annual allocation of CDBG funds, the City of Pocatello is required to complete a Consolidated Plan every five years and an annual Action Plan every year. The purpose of the Consolidated Plan is: 1) to identify a city's or state's housing and community development needs, priorities, goals, and strategies; and 2) to stipulate how funds will be allocated to housing and community development activities. The Consolidated Plan enables officials and citizens to collectively solve neighborhood and community problems. The overall goal of the Consolidated Plan is to develop viable communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

Included in the Consolidated Plan is the first program year's Annual Action Plan. As such, this report includes the draft Program Year 2022 Annual Action Plan. The Consolidated Plan is carried out through Annual Action Plans, which provide a concise summary of the actions, activities, and the specific federal and non-federal resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified by the Consolidated Plan.

In addition to the Consolidated Plan, HUD requires that cities and states receiving CDBG funding take actions to affirmatively further fair housing choice, including completion of an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI). This report also contains an update to the AI for the City of Pocatello.

Finally, the City must adopt a Citizen Participation Plan. The Citizen Participation Plan must provide for and encourage citizens to participate in the development of the consolidated plan, any substantial amendment to the consolidated plan, adoption of the annual action plans, and the performance report. These requirements are designed to encourage participation by low- and moderate-income persons, particularly those persons living in areas designated by the jurisdiction as a revitalization area, in a slum and blighted area, and in areas where

CDBG funds are proposed to be used, and by residents of predominantly low- and moderate-income neighborhoods, as defined by the jurisdiction. This report includes changes to the Citizen Participation Plan for approval and adoption.

The City Council will consider comments and submittal to HUD of the PY2022-2026 Consolidated Plan, Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice, and revised Citizen Participation Plan following a public hearing on Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Therefore, the public is hereby notified that a draft of the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, Analysis of Impediments, and Citizen Participation Plan will be available for examination and public comment beginning January 2, 2022 at noon. The documents under consideration will become available for all citizens at the Marshall Public Library (113 South Garfield), Pocatello City Hall (911 North 7th), L.I.F.E., Inc. (640 Pershing Avenue), NeighborWorks® Pocatello (206 North Arthur), the Housing Alliance and Community Partnerships HACP (711 North 6th), and on the City of Pocatello's website at www.pocatello.us.

Citizens may also submit written comments on the report or the amendments on or before 5:00 p.m. local time on Thursday, 2/3/2022 to: Christine Howe, Neighborhood and Community Services Division Manager, City of Pocatello, 911 North 7th, PO Box 4169, Pocatello, ID 83205-4169 or chowe@pocatello.us. All citizens are encouraged to participate. In accord with HUD requirements, a summary of public input will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development along with the Consolidated Plan and Analysis of Impediments.

City Hall is accessible to persons with disabilities. Program access accommodations may be provided with three (3) days' advance notice by contacting Skyler Beebe at sbeebe@pocatello.us; 208.234.6248 or 5815 South 5th Avenue, Pocatello, ID. Tenemos ayuda para personas limitada en ingles. Contacte por favor Planning & Development Services Department en 208-234-6186 para la ayuda. Other questions concerning the subject matter of the hearing may be directed to Christine Howe at 208-234-6186 or Lisa Smith at 208-234-6188.

Citizens are encouraged to participate in these comment opportunities.

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