FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

AND

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

June 8, 2020

County of Santa Clara, Office of Supportive Housing
2310 N. 1st. Street, Suite 201
San Jose, CA 95131

This Notice shall satisfy the above-cited two separate but related procedural notification requirements for activities to be undertaken by the County of Santa Clara.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 25, 2020, the County of Santa Clara will authorize the Housing Authority of the County of Santa Clara to submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of 93 Project-Based Section 8 Vouchers, as authorized by the United States Housing Act of 1937, Section 8(c)(9), as amended, to undertake a project known as the 1020 North 4th Street Housing Project for the purpose of providing affordable housing.

Path Ventures proposes to develop a 4-story apartment building with 93 affordable senior housing units (plus a manager’s unit) on a vacant 0.96-acre site (APN 235-09-020) with address 1020 North 4th Street in San Jose, California 95112. The first-floor main entrance to the building includes areas to facilitate social interaction between residents within the entry lobby, and area for retail, a community room with bathroom and tables for socialization, and an outdoor courtyard on the northeast side of the building. Parking would be located surrounding the suite on the north and northwest sides and would include 43 total parking spaces including 24 parking spaces for resident parking and 11 spaces provided for the commercial use, and 8 for staff. The project includes a total of 94 residential units. The majority of the residential units would be studio apartments accounting for 65 units. The remaining units are 28 one-bedroom units. One two-bedroom unit on the fourth floor is reserved for the onsite manager.

Total project cost is estimated to be $54,927,375

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The County of Santa Clara 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 (NEPA) of 1969 is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the County of Santa Clara, Department of Housing, 2310 N 1st Street, Suite 201, San Jose, CA 95131, and may be examined and downloaded to print via the Santa Clara County, Office of Supportive Housing website at: https://bit.ly/2U0fjvm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the project may submit written comments to Marie Walters, County of Santa Clara, Office of Supportive Housing, 2310 N 1st Street, Suite 201, San Jose, CA 95131. All comments received by 5:00 PM on Wednesday, June 24,
2020 will be considered by the County of Santa Clara prior to submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The County of Santa Clara certifies to the U.S. HUD that Ky Le, in his capacity as Director, Office of Supportive Housing, in his capacity as NEPA Certifying Officer 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 County of Santa Clara to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS

U.S. HUD Office will accept objections to the Responsible Entity’s (RE) Request for Release of Funds and Environmental Certification for a period of fifteen days following the submission date specified above or the actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer or other officer of the Santa Clara County approved by the U.S. HUD; (b) the RE has omitted a step or failed to make a determination or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 or by CEQ regulations at 40 CFR 1500-1508, as applicable; (c) the RE has omitted one or more steps in the preparation, completion or publication of the Environmental Assessment or Environmental Impact Study per 24 CFR Subparts E, F or G of Part 58, as applicable; (d) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process has committed funds for or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before release of funds and approval of the environmental certification; (e) another Federal, State or local agency 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, Section 58.75) and shall be addressed to Gerard Windt, Director of Public and Indian Housing, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, One Sansome Street, Suite 1200, San Francisco, CA 94104. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Ky Le, Director and NEPA Certifying Officer