

Request for Release of Funds and Certification

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Office of Community Planning
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This form is to be used by Responsible Entities and Recipients (as defined in 24 CFR 58.2) when requesting the release of funds, and requesting the authority to use such funds, for HUD programs identified by statutes that provide for the assumption of the environmental review responsibility by units of general local government and States. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 36 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless that collection displays a valid OMB control number.

Part 1. Program Description and Request for Release of Funds (to be completed by Responsible Entity)

1. Program Title(s) HILLCREST HOMES	2. HUD/State Identification Number GA078000001	3. Recipient Identification Number (optional)
4. OMB Catalog Number(s)	5. Name and address of responsible entity East Point Housing Authority 3056 Norman Berry Drive East Point, GA 30344	
6. For information about this request, contact (name & phone number) MICHAEL SPANN - 678-235-3125	7. Name and address of recipient (if different than responsible entity)	
8. HUD or State Agency and office unit to receive request US Department of HUD - Atlanta Office 40 Marietta St NW, Atlanta, GA 30303		
The recipient(s) of assistance under the program(s) listed above requests the release of funds and removal of environmental grant conditions governing the use of the assistance for the following		
9. Program Activity(ies)/Project Name(s) PUBLIC HOUSING/HILLCREST HOMES (100 units) GA078000001	10. Location (Street address, city, county, State) 1847 Stanton Road East Point Fulton County, Georgia	

11. Program Activity/Project Description

Description: 100 Unit multi-family development situated on 9.10 acres with road frontage (per tax plat) of 1,208 feet along west side of Stanton Road was built in 1950. The Public Housing buildings consist of 20 two story multifamily brick structures containing 100 units (approximately 104,000 square feet) of one and two bedrooms apartments including site improvements of asphalt paved streets, underground electrical, water, sewer, and natural gas. Currently zoned R-3, Multi family development district. The property has been severely vandalized and site improvements are in a poor state of repair."

Proposed Project Activity: The East Point Housing Authority (EPHA) is requesting approval to demolish the Hillcrest Homes project as referenced above.

On February 6, 2009, HUD/SAC approved the EPHA's request for the disposition of one (1) non-dwelling building and 20 buildings containing 100 dwelling units and 9.10 acres of underlying land at Hillcrest Homes Project No. GA078000001. Since the date of disposition approval, EPHA has made attempts to dispose of the property via Public Bid for a reasonable price without success. Attempts and efforts to dispose of the property for a reasonable price have been significantly impacted by the economic decline of real estate prices over the last several years as well as the poor geographic location of the sited the trend seems to be continuing. The EPHA has determined that its housing efforts would be best served by demolishing the Hillcrest Homes property and existing structures.

Currently the property exists in a dilapidated state. The building structures are vacant with all units boarded up. Two buildings have been extensively damaged by fire. The property and structures thereon have been severely vandalized and robbed of copper and other metal materials. Demolition of the Hillcrest Homes property and existing structures will improve future opportunities to dispose of the property as vacant land. The action will also create opportunities for other options being considered such as redevelopment of the property including new affordable housing units. In the event that EPHA elects to retain ownership, the necessity to seek and purchase other property for replacement housing would be eliminated.

Part 2. Environmental Certification (to be completed by responsible entity)

With reference to the above Program Activity(ies)/Project(s), I, the undersigned officer of the responsible entity, certify that:

1. The responsible entity has fully carried out its responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action pertaining to the project(s) named above.
2. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with, the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the environmental procedures, permit requirements and statutory obligations of the laws cited in 24 CFR 58.5; and also agrees to comply with the authorities in 24 CFR 58.6 and applicable State and local laws.
3. The responsible entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and its implementing regulations 36 CFR 800, including consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, and the public.
4. After considering the type and degree of environmental effects identified by the environmental review completed for the proposed project described in Part 1 of this request, I have found that the proposal did ☐ did not ☒ require the preparation and dissemination of an environmental impact statement.
5. The responsible entity has disseminated and/or published in the manner prescribed by 24 CFR 58.43 and 58.55 a notice to the public in accordance with 24 CFR 58.70 and as evidenced by the attached copy (copies) or evidence of posting and mailing procedure.
6. The dates for all statutory and regulatory time periods for review, comment or other action are in compliance with procedures and requirements of 24 CFR Part 58.
7. In accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b), the responsible entity will advise the recipient (if different from the responsible entity) of any special environmental conditions that must be adhered to in carrying out the project.

As the duly designated certifying official of the responsible entity, I also certify that:

8. I am authorized to and do consent to assume the status of Federal official under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and each provision of law designated in the 24 CFR 58.5 list of NEPA-related authorities insofar as the provisions of these laws apply to the HUD responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action that have been assumed by the responsible entity.
9. I am authorized to and do accept, on behalf of the recipient personally, the jurisdiction of the Federal courts for the enforcement of all these responsibilities, in my capacity as certifying officer of the responsible entity.

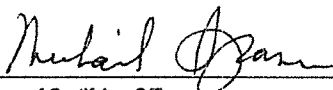
Signature of Certifying Officer of the Responsible Entity

Title of Certifying Officer

Executive Director

Date signed

02/10/2017

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Address of Certifying Officer

3056 Norman Berry Drive, East Point, GA 30344

Part 3. To be completed when the Recipient is not the Responsible Entity

The recipient requests the release of funds for the programs and activities identified in Part 1 and agrees to abide by the special conditions, procedures and requirements of the environmental review and to advise the responsible entity of any proposed change in the scope of the project or any change in environmental conditions in accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b).

Signature of Authorized Officer of the Recipient

Title of Authorized Officer

Date signed

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Warning: HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802)
