

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

PUBLICATION DATE: September 18th, 2026
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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Staunton and the Staunton Redevelopment and Housing Authority.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about October 6, 2026 the City of Staunton will authorize the Staunton Redevelopment and Housing Authority to submit a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to request the release of Community Project Funding/Economic Development Initiative funding authorized by the Consolidated Appropriations Act 2026, Project Based Voucher (PBV) funds under Section 8(o) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, as amended, and Community Development Block Grant Funds authorized by Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake the following project:

Dunsmore Senior Apartments:

The project is the renovation and reuse of the existing Dunsmore Building at 912 W. Beverley Street, Staunton, Virginia, into fifteen (15) affordable rental apartments for seniors. Work includes interior renovation, landscaping, and utility connections. The property is approximately 0.376 acres and is served by public water and sewer. All fifteen units are expected to receive project-based rental assistance administered by the Staunton Redevelopment and Housing Authority. **Estimated Value of PBV:** \$3,942,000; **Estimated CDBG:** \$65,000; **Estimated CPF:** \$500,000; **Estimated Total Development Cost** (HUD and non-HUD funds): \$7,213,464.

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The City of Staunton 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) file at the City of Staunton; 116 West Beverley Street; Staunton, VA and the Staunton Redevelopment and Housing Authority; 900 Elizabeth Miller Gardens, Staunton, VA where the ERR may be examined or copied on weekdays 9 A.M to 4 P.M September 18, 2026-October 5, 2026. The ERR is also available online at <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/environmental-review/environmental-review-records/>.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Rebecca Joyce, Housing Planner City of Staunton 116 West Beverley Street; PO Box 58; Staunton, VA 24401 or Nehemias Velez, Executive Director Staunton Redevelopment and Housing Authority; 900 Elizabeth Miller Gardens, Staunton, VA 24401. Comments may also be emailed to joycerl@ci.staunton.va.us or nvelez@stauntonrha.org or provided verbally at the phone number above. All comments received by October 5, 2026, will be considered by the City of Staunton prior to authorizing submission of a request

for release of funds. Comments should specify which part of the notice they are addressing. Comments can be submitted via mail, email, or telephone using the contact information listed above.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Staunton certifies to the Department of Housing and Urban Development that Michele Edwards, in her capacity as Mayor, 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 Staunton and the Staunton Redevelopment and Housing Authority to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

Department of Housing and Urban Development will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Staunton 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 Staunton; (b) the City of Staunton 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 Department of Housing and Urban Development; 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 Department of Housing and Urban Development administration office at HUD at 600 E. Broad St., Richmond, VA. Potential objectors should contact Department of Housing and Urban Development to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Michele Edwards, Mayor, Certifying Officer