

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH 41st STREET BOOSTER STATION CRITICAL HARDENING

7/2/2025

City of Miami Beach 1700 Convention Center Drive Miami Beach, FL 33139 305-673-7000

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the City of Miami Beach.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about 7/21/2025 the City of Miami Beach will submit a request to the Florida Department of Commerce (FloridaCommerce) for the release of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant- Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funds under B-18-DP-12-0002 and Title1 of the Housing and Community Development Act (HCDA) of 1974, to undertake a project known as the 41st Street Booster Station Critical Hardening located near 4000 Alton Road, Miami Beach, FL 33140. The purpose and need for this project is to bolster critical infrastructure and help the City of Miami Beach better withstand hurricanes, sea level rise, and other types of flooding events. Project activities include but are not limited to the following: a new generator, structural and electrical components for the removal and installation of the generator, HVAC upgrades, structural rehabilitation, storm and flood proofing, and site accessibility improvements. Estimated funding for the project includes \$900,000 from the HUD CDBG-MIT program and \$4,499,985.78 in City of Miami Beach Water and Sewer Bonds Proceeds and Capital Project Budget funds.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City of Miami Beach has determined that the 41st Street Booster Station Critical Hardening 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) on file at the City of Miami Beach Public Works, 4th Floor, City Hall at 1700 Convention Center Drive, Miami Beach, FL 33139 and may be examined or copied weekdays 10:00 A.M to 2:00 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City of Miami Beach Environment and Sustainability Department. Comments may also be submitted via email at Outreach@miamibeachfl.gov. All comments received by 7/18/2025 will be considered by the City of Miami Beach prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.



ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Miami Beach certifies to FloridaCommerce that Eric Carpenter in his capacity as City Manager 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. FloridaCommerce's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Miami Beach to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

FloridaCommerce will accept objections to its release of funds and the City of Miami Beach's 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 Miami Beach; (b) the City of Miami Beach 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 FloridaCommerce; 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 FloridaCommerce Office of Long-Term Resiliency, Florida Department of Commerce, 107 East Madison Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399. Potential objectors should contact FloridaCommerce to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Eric Carpenter, City Manager