

Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds

Date: 1/23/2017

Name of Responsible Entity (RE): Lawrence Township

Address: 45 George St., Clearfield, PA 16830

Contact & Telephone Number of RE Preparer Agency: Rob Thomas (814) 765-5149

On or about

February 3rd, 2017 Lawrence Township will submit a request to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake the following project:

The Lawrence Township-03k Street Improvements, Kerr Area. The estimated cost for this project is \$465,402 with funding sources as follows: \$180,201 2013 and 2014 CDBG entitlement, and \$285,201 from match. This is a Multi-year Project.

The existing storm drainage system in Kerr Area, specifically along Good Street and Bowman Hill Road are insufficient and unable to handle storm water runoff during wet weather and storm events. In some areas there is not a storm drainage system at all. The existing two streets are deteriorating and they continue to deteriorate more each year by uncontrolled storm runoff. Deteriorated berms and roadways cause unsafe conditions for pedestrians walking in the area since there are no sidewalks. Good Street is a school bus route and the safety of the children is also a concern. The Supervisors have prioritized the work and selected Good Street to be the first street improved. As future years of funding become available Bowman Hill Road will be addressed for improvement. Residents of these streets gain access to their homes from River Road.

Storm water improvements include replacement of insufficient existing drainage system components and installing new components where needed on where none currently exist. Paving improvements to include removal of deteriorated roadway where needed, placement of road based materials, placement of base course and wearing course over roadway. Construction of drainage improvements, where necessary, shall channel runoff into the storm drainage system. A detailed Municipal Project Estimate was prepared by Shawn Agosi, PennDot Municipal Service Specialist for Clearfield County.

The residents of Good Street and Bowman Hill Road are the primary beneficiaries of this project. These residents access the streets from River Road.

The activities proposed are exempt per Section 58.34(a)(12) from National Environmental Policy Act requirements. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the Clearfield County Planning & Community Development Office, 212 E. Locust Street, Suite 128, Clearfield, PA 16830 and may be examined or copied weekday's 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Public Comments

Any individual, group, or agency disagreeing with this determination or wishing to comment on the projects may submit written comments to Rob Thomas, Community Development Specialist, Clearfield County Planning & Community Development Office, 212 E. Locust Street, Suite 128, Clearfield, PA 16830. All comments received by or on February 2nd, 2017, will be considered by Lawrence Township prior to authorizing submission of a request to release of funds. Commentators should specify which part of this notice they are addressing.

Release of Funds

Lawrence Township certifies to DCED that Randy Powell, in his/her capacity as Chair of Lawrence Township Board of Supervisors, consents to accept the jurisdiction to the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. DCED's approval of the certification of Clearfield to use Program Funds

Objections to Release of Funds

DCED will consider objections to its release of funds and Lawrence Township's certification for a period of 15 days following the anticipated submission date or it's actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if it is on one of the following basis: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of Lawrence Township; (b) Lawrence Township has omitted a step and failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24CFR Part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by DCED; or (d) another Federal Agency, acting pursuant to 40CFR Part 1604 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the stand point of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58), and shall be addressed to the Department of Community and Economic Development, Center for Community Building, 4th Floor, Commonwealth Keystone Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120-0225. Potential objectors should contact DCED to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Lawrence Township Board of Supervisors

Randy Powell, Chair

William Lawhead

Daniel Mitchell Sr.

Notice Posting Period 01/23/2017-02/02/2017
Posting Locations: Clearfield County Administration Building
Lawrence Township Building
www.planning.clearfieldco.org