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NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM  
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TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

The City of Las Vegas, Nevada, proposes to request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to release federal funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-383) to be used for the following projects:

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-35  
PROJECT TITLE: WESTSIDE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

This project proposes to fund a community base organization whose function is to assist the City in the development of the Block Grant Program by: (1) Inform citizens about the program, (2) solicit community input on the program by conducting neighborhood meetings, and (3) assist the Block Grant staff in any citizen participation functions. Total cost of this project is \$26,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project is in direct compliance with the Block Grant Program objective of obtaining direct and constant citizen participation into the program.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-36  
PROJECT TITLE: FOCUS WEST  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

This project proposes to fund the youth/community guidance counseling service and the acquisition of a van for programmatic transportation. Services such as personal counseling, everyday personal grooming and health care and recreational activities will be provided for desired youths. The cost of the project is \$62,706.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project will produce a positive environment for low and moderate income youth. The services provided are at no charge to the individual and address personal as well as community needs.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-37  
PROJECT TITLE: GERSON PARK DROP-IN CENTER  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

This program proposes to fund the after-school drop-in recreation program for girls ages 6-14. The program is designed to meet the needs of girls according to the various stages of their emotional, physical and social needs. The total cost of this project is \$45,937.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This program will provide positive effects for the female population that live in and around Gerson Park, in the areas of education, recreation and economics.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-38  
PROJECT TITLE: HOME OWNERSHIP MANAGEMENT EDUCATION (H.O.M.E.)  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to fund a project proposed by H.O.M.E. to provide low and moderate income homeowners with counseling and educational services as an alternative to foreclosure. H.O.M.E. will provide pre-occupancy counseling to all potential homeowners purchasing HUD repossessed homes. H.O.M.E. will directly support the loan rehabilitation program in Planning Areas 1 and 2. The major goals for H.O.M.E., therefore, are to prepare new homeowners for successful homeownership, reduce delinquency/default, foreclosure, abandonment rates, and provide local liaison between mortgagor and mortgagee. The amount of funding for this program will be \$58,792.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project has no adverse identifiable impacts that would noticeably and substantially change or affect the quality of the human environment. The impacts from this program are positive supporting the areas of homeownership, reducing foreclosure, abandonment rates and provide local liaison between mortgagor and mortgagee.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-39  
PROJECT TITLE: DAY CARE CENTER - TITLE XI EOB  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to contract with the Economic Opportunity Board (EOB) for a day care center for children of parents who are in need of child care in order to seek employment or training/education for employment. The program will primarily serve low-income persons in the general area of West Las Vegas, but is open to all of Clark County providing applicants meet the eligibility requirements. The goals to be met through this program are: (1) Provision of day care to a minimum of 100 children, ages 3-5, 30 at any one time; (2) to improve the educational potentialities of these children; (3) to improve the health and nutritional standards of these children. In addition to children's benefits, parents are also benefitted. Parents involved in the program will derive benefits from contact with other parents and persons who can inform them of resources they can utilize, in addition to the increased economic viability, which is one of the program's overall goals. The program itself will be housed in a Housing Authority facility financed by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) which is located in the heart of Planning Area 1. This year's funding is \$37,154.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project has beneficial impacts. It will provide a vitally needed service in the neighborhood area. This program will bring beneficial results in the areas of education, nutrition, health and safety to the children who participate in the program. This proposed project will also increase the possibilities for increased education/training in order to insure adequate and meaningful employment for residents of the neighborhood.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-40  
PROJECT TITLE: SENIOR COMPANION VOLUNTEERS  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to contract with Senior Companion Volunteers, a division of the Nevada Catholic Welfare to provide individualized personal services to the low-income, older, handicapped, or ill persons in Planning Areas 1 and 2, in an effort to prevent or delay institutionalization. The total cost of the project is \$50,884. It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute

an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

There are no adverse impacts that will be produced as a result of this proposed project. There are, however, a number of beneficial effects that will help able-bodied seniors to make a contribution to the community as well as supplement their relatively small incomes. Furthermore, the homebound or institutionalized seniors will be given individual attention to enable them to gain improved mental, social and emotional state of well-being. The City, therefore, deems that this is not an action having a significant adverse effect upon the quality of the human environment and no Environmental Impact Statement is needed.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-41  
PROJECT TITLE: SENIOR CITIZENS TAXI SERVICE  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to provide funds to augment a taxi service for senior citizens who reside within the designated neighborhood strategy areas of Planning Areas 1 and 2. These individuals would have to meet program eligibility. The program will be monitored by the Senior Companion Volunteers. The cost of the program is \$20,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project is designed to help offset the problems of senior citizens who need a more flexible transportation system than what is currently available. The equipment will meet EPA emission control standards.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-42  
PROJECT TITLE: INFORMATION AND REFERRAL - VOLUNTARY ACTION CENTER (VAC)  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to contract with the Voluntary Action Center (VAC) to provide direct information and referral services, acting as an advocate for clients; establish and/or maintain additional network agencies concentrated in the target areas; publish and distribute 2,500 community service directories; perform on-going research on available services; and collect data on human service needs for use by public and private planning bodies. The program will continue to provide services (information and referral) to persons located primarily in Planning Areas 1 and 2. It is estimated that approximately 10,000 persons will be assisted by this program with 65% being residents of Las Vegas' "high need" areas. The cost of the project is \$20,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

There are no adverse impacts that will be produced as a result of this proposed project. There are, however, a number of beneficial effects that will help to improve the level of human care services for the persons living in Planning Areas 1 and 2.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-43  
PROJECT TITLE: POOR PEOPLE PULLING TOGETHER (P.P.P.T.)  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City of Las Vegas proposes to fund a tenant organization project to be administered by Poor People Pulling Together. This year's program will provide a dual service by acting as a liaison between the tenant and the landlord. P.P.P.T. will locate and identify substandard rental housing in Census Tracts 25, 3.02, and 3.07. This effort is to alleviate the downward slide of rental units for low income and moderate income families in the West Las Vegas and adjoining areas. Another service will be a personal outreach program to inform low income homeowners of the low-interest rehabilitation loan program and provide each applicant/recipient with technical assistance. The funding of this project will be \$27,810.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

There are no adverse impacts identified with this project. There are, however, several positive impacts including the decrease in vandalism, and increase in security offered to residents of low-income and moderate income apartment complexes which are subject to vandalism and security problems. This project's goal is to help alleviate the downward slide of rental units for low-income and moderate income families in the West Las Vegas and adjoining areas.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-44  
PROJECT TITLE: YOUTH TRANSPORTATION  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to fund a youth transportation program that will transport low and moderate income youth of Planning Areas 1 and 2 to various educational, cultural, recreational and social events that would be useful in these persons outward growth. Cost of the project is \$15,555.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project will assist these youth in participating in activities they could not normally get to. The breaking of social and cultural barriers is further enhanced with the initiation of this program.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-45  
PROJECT TITLE: SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to provide the Las Vegas Housing Authority funds to match an Urban Mass Transportation Agency grant for the purchase of buses that will be used in a Las Vegas Senior Citizen Transportation Program. The service will be extended to all Las Vegas Housing Authority housing complexes. Seniors will be transported to designated "service facilities" which provide direct services to them. Cost of the project is \$20,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project does not create any significant adverse impacts that could not be initially mitigated with the purchase of an EPA approved, emission controlled vehicle.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-46  
PROJECT TITLE: NALA DAY CARE CENTER  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to fund a day care service to be provided to residents of Planning Area 2 operated by the Nevada Association of Latin Americans. The program's goals are: 1) provide a day care service for 90 children for 12 months; 2) provide a bilingual/bicultural curriculum; 3) enable the parents to seek employment by keeping their children; and 4) provide affordable child care services to children ages 2-4. Total cost of the project is \$26,607.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project provides a needed service to the residents in the neighborhood strategy areas of Planning Area 2.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-47  
PROJECT TITLE: CRITICAL CARE UNIT  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to fund a critical care unit vehicle to be used to transport emergency victims of Planning Area 1. The high degree of, various accidents in the Planning Area has made a need for better medical services in the area an identifiable need. This service would be at no cost to the low and moderate income residents of Planning Area 1 primarily (also Planning Area 2). Total cost of the project is \$58,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

The critical care unit will be a benefit to Planning Area residents in providing them with needed improvements in medical services provided to that area.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-48  
PROJECT TITLE: EOB SENIOR TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to make available funds to the Economic Opportunity Board (EOB) for a Urban Mass Transportation Agency match that will be used to purchase and operate an additional vehicle for their transportation program. This vehicle will be used in transporting low and moderate income seniors to various locations on a need basis. Cost of project is \$20,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project does not produce any significant adverse impacts that could not be mitigated with the purchase of an EPA approved, emission controlled vehicle.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-49  
PROJECT TITLE: SHELTERED ENTERPRISES OF NEVADA  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to fund the Sheltered Enterprises of Nevada organization which is a treatment and training program for adult mentally and emotionally ill neighborhood citizens in a sheltered workshop setting to enable them to develop the kinds of skills which will lead to employment. The total cost of the project is \$10,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project responds to the needs of handicapped in Planning Areas 1 and 2. This service upgrades the quality of human life in the Planning Area.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-50  
PROJECT TITLE: HOUSING REHABILITATION FINANCING  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to finance a housing rehabilitation program to support its efforts in neighborhood preservation efforts in the Planning Areas. The project entails providing loans and/or grants for home improvements. The cost of the project is \$70,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project responds to the needs of handicapped in Planning Areas 1 and 2. This service upgrades the quality of human life in the Planning Area by providing them with a financial outlet that could address their circumstance.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-51  
PROJECT TITLE: CLEARANCE AND DEMOLITION  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to fund this project as a part of its efforts in neighborhood preservation for the Planning Areas. The project entails minor clearance and demolition activities in the Planning Area neighborhood strategy areas. The cost of the project is \$15,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project will be used to enhance the physical environment of the Planning Areas on a non-routine basis. Thus, the safety and health of residents can be protected at the outbreak of an emergency.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-52  
PROJECT TITLE: HOUSING INSPECTION AND COUNSELING  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to fund this project as part of its neighborhood preservation activities. The program entails using housing counselors for code inspection and financial counseling in the Planning Areas. This program will also include purchasing vehicles to carry out their responsibility. The overall objectives of the program are: 1) to upgrade the neighborhoods of the Planning Areas, 2) prevent deteriorating neighborhoods from becoming "slum areas", and 3) alert occupants and property owners or conditions hazardous to their health and safety as well as their structure. The cost of the project is \$120,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project does not produce any adverse impacts. It supports the neighborhood preservation activities. It is designed to give assistance and direction to property owners in improving the quality of their living standards.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-54  
PROJECT TITLE: RENOVATION MATERIALS AND WESTSIDE AESTHETIC ENHANCEMENT PROJECT  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to fund this project as part of its efforts in neighborhood preservation activities. The project will consist of providing 200 low and moderate income residents of Planning Areas 1 and 2 paint and weather-stripping materials to upgrade the exterior of their dwellings. The program also consists of promoting community aesthetic awareness through the production of murals, sculptures and public graphic designs in Planning Area 1. Cost of this project is \$121,000.

It has been determined that such request for release of funds will not constitute an action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment and, accordingly, the City of Las Vegas, Nevada, has decided not to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190). The reasons for such decision not to prepare such Statement are as follows:

This project will enhance the exterior appearance of the Planning Areas. Community pride and aesthetic appreciation of their environment are the benefits that are aimed to be accomplished. The work will be required to meet the City Building Code so supervision will be administered.

PROJECT NUMBER: 673-55  
PROJECT TITLE: INTERIM ASSISTANCE  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION/PURPOSE:

The City proposes to fund this project as a part of its neighborhood preservation activities in the Planning Areas. It entails providing emergency financial assistance through grants to Planning Area residents who are hit by unexpected "natural disasters". The cost of this project is \$5,000.