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

3/14/25

City of Burton, P. O. Box 255, Burton, Washington County, TX 77835 (979) 289-3402

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

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about 4/1/25, the City of Burton (City) will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture (Department), Office of Rural Affairs for the release of 2024 Community Development Block Grant funds under Section 104(f) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended, to undertake a project known as 2024 CDBG City of Burton Sewer Improvements Project #CDV23-0012 for the purpose of improving aged and deteriorated lift station components that result in compromised operation and efficiency. **Project Description:** Rehabilitation of the South 290 wastewater service area's lift station shall include the installation of new pumps, piping, valves, the rehabilitation of the wet well, all associated appurtenances, and administrative and engineering services and fees. at the following **Location**: Knittel Lift Station, end of South Railroad Street, 30.174947, -96.588679, City of Burton, Washington County, TX. **Funding**: CDBG \$428,921.00; City of Burton Utility Fund matching funds \$8,579.00. Total Estimated Project Cost: \$437,500.00.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The City 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). The ERR will be made available to the public for review electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to the City at the address above or by email to burtonsecr@cityofburton-tx.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the City. All comments received by 3/31/25 will be considered by the City prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments can be mailed to the City of Burton at P. O. Box 255, Burton, Washington County, TX 77835, Attn: Mayor's Office, or by email to burtonsecr@cityofburton-tx.gov. (979) 289-3402. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City certifies to the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA), Office of Rural Affairs that Karen Buck, in her capacity as Mayor, 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. The Department's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Burton to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

The Texas Department of Agriculture will accept objections to its release of funds and the City'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 Burton (b) the City of Burton 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 the Department; 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 Environmental Review Specialist, Texas Department of Agriculture by email at CDBG_ENVReview@TexasAgriculture.gov. Potential objectors should contact the TDA Environmental Review Specialist at CDBG_ENVReview@TexasAgriculture.gov to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Karen Buck, Mayor