NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE 2021 ACTION PLAN FOR HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG & HOME) PROGRAMS AND APPLICABLE INFORMATION ATTENTION: ALL HATTIESBURG, MISSSISSIPPI RESIDENTS

The City of Hattiesburg, Mississippi anticipates receipt of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in January 2021 or soon thereafter. These funds are estimated to total approximately \$750,000. The funds will be used to meet the primary objectives of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974, as amended, by providing access to affordable, decent, safe and sanitary housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities for persons, of low and moderate-income.

A Public Hearing is scheduled for November 23, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. in the Jackie Dole Sherrill Community Center, 220 W. Front Street for the purpose of receiving ideas, comments, and proposals on the creation of the 2021 Action Plan priorities and feedback on past activities. In light of social distancing requirements, this will be a VIRTUAL Public Hearing with access by internet or phone. For instructions on how to join the virtual Public Hearing, please contact the Department of Urban Development at (601) 545-4675 no later than 3:00pm on November 23, 2020. Public Comments on the topic will be taken between November 5, 2020 and December 7, 2020.

The City expects to receive:

- CDBG entitlement grant of approximately \$546,000
- HOME entitlement grant of approximately \$205,000

PUBLISH in the Legal Section: Thursday, November 5, 2020

The City will consider any comments or views of citizens, agencies or units of local government received in writing and orally at the Public Hearing scheduled for November 23, 2020. Written comments will additionally be accepted in the Community Development Division through December 7, 2020. These comments will be utilized to assist in creating a draft plan which will be made available for review in the coming months. A summary of any comments accepted will be attached to the final action plan.

Comments related to this NOTICE may be sent to or delivered to City Hall, First Floor, Urban Development/Community Development Division, 200 Forrest Street, Hattiesburg, MS 39401.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the Department at (601) 545-4558. Anyone requiring special accommodation in considering these proposals, providing related comments, or in attending the public hearing are encouraged to contact the Department of Urban Development at (601) 545-4675 or email shall@hattiesburgms.com in sufficient advance of meetings to make arrangements.

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