LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF SOMERVILLE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF STRATEGIC PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to 24 CFR 91.105(e) (1), the City of Somerville will hold a public hearing to present the **HOME Investment Partnership American Rescue Plan Program (HOME ARP) Allocation Plan** funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD); to obtain public input on the City's Allocation Plan using the funding provided by HUD

The Public Hearing will be held virtually at 6:30 p.m. on **Thursday**, **February 23**, **2023**, and will be accessible via the following link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89015580025

The City of Somerville received \$1,626,742.00 in HOME ARP funds that must be spent by September 30, 2030. The HOME ARP provides funding to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country. The City of Somerville is developing its Allocation Plan describing how it intends to use the HOME ARP funds. The Allocation Plan process includes community and stakeholder engagement input and will incorporate public input. Once the Allocation Plan is completed, it will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for approval.

Based on the input received to date, the City of Somerville plans to allocate funds toward Supportive Services programs that provide services to the four Qualifying Populations 1) Homeless, 2) At Risk of Homelessness, 3) Those Fleeing or Attempting to Flee Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, Stalking or Human Trafficking, 4) Other Populations (including Families Requiring Services or Housing Assistance to Prevent Homelessness and those at Greatest Risk of Housing Instability), Nonprofit Operating and Capacity Building, and Administration and Planning.

A copy of the Draft Allocation Plan is posted on the City's OSPCD website:

 $https://s3.amazonaws.com/somervillema.gov. if-us-east-1/s3fs-public/Feb-14_DRAFT-HOME-ARP_Allocation-Plan.pdf$

Hard copies of the plan are located at City Hall, 93 Highland Ave, third floor, and City Hall Annex, 50 Evergreen Ave, and can be requested by sending an email to ldavidson@somervillema.gov or call 617 625-6600 ext. 2585.

Individuals with disabilities who need auxiliary aids and services for effective communication, written materials in alternative formats, or reasonable modifications in

policies and procedures, in order to access the programs and activities of the City of Somerville should contact Adrienne Pomeroy, at <u>APomeroy@somervillema.gov</u> or call 617-625-6600 ext. 2059.

The City of Somerville can provide you with an interpreter for free. To request an interpreter in your language, please contact the SomerViva Office of Immigrant Affairs at somervillema.gov/ContactSomerviva or call 311 (617-666-3311). All requests for accommodations should be made by the close of business on **Tuesday**, **February 21**, **2023**. General questions about the hearing should be directed to the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD) at ldavidson@somervillema.gov or call 617 625-6600 ext. 2585.

Written comments will be accepted beginning **Friday**, **February 24**, **2023**, **until Thursday**, **March 17**, **2023**, @ 7:30 p.m. and should be sent to the attention of Lisa Davidson at the Office of Strategic Planning and Community Development (OSPCD)/Housing Division, 50 Evergreen Avenue, Somerville, MA 02145 or via email to ldavidson@somervillema.gov.

Katjana Ballantyne Mayor