

**NEW YORK CITY OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET (NYC OMB)  
COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING (CPF)  
THE QUEENS BOTANICAL GARDEN (QBG) PAVILION PROJECT**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (NOI RROF) AND  
NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI)**

This notice shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Queens Botanical Garden (QBG).

**REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS**

On or about June 17, 2026 the City of New York (the City) will submit, on behalf of the QBG, a request to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the release of Community Project Funding (CPF) funds authorized under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (Public Law 118-42) to undertake an activity known as the Queens Botanical Garden Pavilion project. Through this project, the QBG proposes to use approximately \$500,000 in federally-appropriated CPF funds, administered by HUD, as part of the overall project costing approximately \$1,950,000, to construct an approximately 3,200 square foot open air pavilion within the southwest corner of the garden.

Project activities would include the following:

- Site Demolition: which would likely include Shrub removal, clearing of debris, and topsoil stripping.
- Excavation and grading: Grading (shaping and leveling the ground surface) to design specifications, creating utility trenches and establishing drainage slopes.
- Pile installation: Installation of piles for the foundation.
- Foundation construction: Concrete cast in place foundation
- Stage construction: The stage would be a concrete cast in place slab (additional ground disturbance not anticipated but possible). There will also be prefabricated columns that will be installed to complete the structure.
- Utility installation: Installation of water lines for irrigation, and power lines for the stage.
- Landscaping: Final grading, likely an installation of erosion control measures such as a jute mesh, rain garden planting, installation of tall grasses, shrubs, and the installation of a new Katsura tree.
- Site furnishing: Installation of bench bump outs for benches will involve minor ground disturbance.

**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

The New York City Mayor's Office of Management and Budget (NYC OMB) is the Responsible Entity for this project and 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 either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail

