

## **Finding of No Significant Impact**

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals

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The City of New York - Department of Housing Preservation & Development (HPD) intends to undertake several new construction projects funded through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME Program). The projects are described at the bottom of this notice.

HPD has determined that the environmental review record for the projects identified below complies with the requirements of 24 CFR Part 58 of HUD Environmental Review regulations. Written notice providing environmental clearance will be required prior to the removal of the limitation on commitment of federal funding in accordance with the regulations found at 24 CFR 58.22.

The HOME Program in New York City is administered by HPD. An environmental review record was established for each new construction project and is maintained on file at HPD's Office of Development - Division of Environmental Planning & Implementation, located at 100 Gold Street, New York, New York 10038. A project's environmental assessment (EA) may be obtained from HPD. Requests for project-specific EAs may be sent to [nepa\\_env@hpd.nyc.gov](mailto:nepa_env@hpd.nyc.gov).

It has been determined that the projects described below would not constitute actions significantly affecting the quality of the environment and, accordingly HPD has decided not to prepare Environmental Impact Statements (EIS) under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The reasons for the decision not to prepare EISs are as follows:

1. There are no significant adverse physical impacts, either direct or indirect, associated with the projects.
2. There are no significant adverse social impacts, either direct or indirect, associated with the projects.
3. There are no significant adverse economic impacts, either direct or indirect, associated with the projects.

The City of New York has certified to HUD in its Request for Release of Funds that the City and HPD's Commissioner, in his official capacity as certifying officer for HOME Program funds, consents to accept jurisdiction of the federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision-making and action, and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HPD has certified that site specific



environmental reviews for the projects described below have been completed. The environmental reviews for the projects were conducted prior to any obligation of funds.

Comments or objections to the obligation of HOME Program funds to any of the projects identified below must be submitted to HPD no later than 18 days from the date of this notice. Comments should be submitted electronically to [nepa\\_env@hpd.nyc.gov](mailto:nepa_env@hpd.nyc.gov). No comments or objections received after this date will be considered by HPD.

**Prospect Court – 1224 Prospect Avenue (Bronx)**

The project would result in the new construction of an 8-story mixed use building containing 58 dwelling units in the Longwood section of the Bronx. In addition to housing, approximately 11,686 square feet of retail space, accessory parking and an apartment for a building superintendant would be included as part of the project. The parking garage would be accessed via a curb cut on Rev James Polite Avenue. Of the 58 units, two units would be rented to households earning up to 50% AMI and the balance would be rented to households earning up to 60% of AMI. The project would be developed through HPD's Low-Income Rental Program.

**East Clarke Place – 12 E. Clark Place and 27 E. 169th Street (Bronx)**

The project involves the new construction of two residential buildings containing a total of 106 units in the Concourse neighborhood of the Bronx. The development at 12 East Clarke Place would result in an 11-story building with 73 dwelling units and approximately 3,260 square feet of community facility space. The development at 27 East 169th Street would consist of a 13-story building with 33 dwelling units and 13 below-grade parking spaces accessed via a curb cut along East 169th Street. All of the units would be affordable to households earning up to 60% of AMI. The project would be developed through HPD's Low-Income Rental Program.

**CAMBA Gardens – 690 and 738 Albany Avenue (Brooklyn)**

The proposal involves the new construction of two, 6-story buildings (known as CAMBA Gardens North and South) containing approximately 209 units of housing for low-income households and formerly homeless families and disabled individuals. The South building would have 114 units and the North building would contain 95 units. The new buildings would be developed on a portion of the Kings County Hospital Campus in the East Flatbush neighborhood of Brooklyn. All 209 units would be affordable to households earning up to 60 % of Area Median Income (AMI). In addition to housing, the buildings would include space for support services for residents and 28 accessory parking spaces accessed via two curb-cuts on Albany Avenue. The project would require the demolition of two existing buildings associated with the Kings County Hospital. The project would be developed through HPD's Supportive Housing Loan Program.

