PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE



The City of Ottawa will hold a public hearing on October 15, 202\$, at 6:00 pm, at 301 West Madison Street, Ottawa, Illinois to provide interested parties an opportunity to express their views on the proposed federally funded Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) Shelter Construction Program for Rural Areas project. Persons with disabilities or non-English speaking persons who wish to attend the public hearing and need assistance should contact Blaire Krickl at the North Central Illinois Council of Governments 613 W. Marquette St. Ottawa, IL 61350 (815) 433-5830 no later than October 10th, 2024. Every effort will be made to provide reasonable accommodations for these persons.

On or about November 14th, 2024, the City of Ottawa intends to apply to the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity for a grant from the State CDBG-CV program. This program is funded by the CARES Act to address the impacts of COVID-19 directly. These funds are to be used for a community development project that will include the following activities: construction for Give Hope A Home Ottawa Shelter Construction Project and activity delivery. The total amount of CDBG funds to be requested is \$2,000,000.00. The amount of CDBG funds proposed to be used for activities that will benefit low-to-moderate-income persons is \$2,000,000.00. The City of Ottawa also proposes to convey the property at Jackson St. and Lafayette St., in Ottawa, Illinois identified by PIN:21-11-132-019 to a purchaser who agrees to construct a public homeless shelter that is approximately 12,000 square feet to accommodate approximately 100 people for an agreed upon amount being negotiated.

Information related to this project will be available for review prior to the public hearing on October 7th, 2024, at City Hall 301 W. Madison St., Ottawa IL between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm. Interested citizens are invited to provide comments regarding these issues either at the public hearing or by prior written statement. Written comments should be submitted to Blaire Krickl from North Central Illinois Council of Governments 613 W. Marquette St. Ottawa, IL 61350 no later than October 14th, 2024, to ensure placement of such comments in the official record of the public hearing proceedings. A plan to minimize displacement and provide assistance to those displaced has been prepared by the City of Ottawa and is also available to the public. This project will result in no displacement of any persons or businesses. For additional information concerning the proposed project, please contact Blaire Krickl at 815-433-5830 or write to NCICG 613 W. Marquette Street Ottawa, IL 61350.

Robert Hasty, Mayor City of Ottawa