January 5, 2021

Mr. Joseph Connor
Director of Environmental Policy, Community Development Block Grant Office
Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development
417 East Fayette Street, Room 1101
Baltimore, MD 21202

STATE CLEARINGHOUSE RECOMMENDATION

State Application Identifier: MD20201124-1014
Applicant: Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development
Project Description: CDBG - United Way of Central Maryland, Family Center at the Excel Academy (1001 West Saratoga Street, Baltimore, MD 21223)
Project Address: 1001 West Saratoga Street, Baltimore, MD 21223
Project Location: Baltimore City
Approving Authority: Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development DHCD
Funds: Federal: $ 0.00 State: $200,000.00 Local: $ 0.00 Other: $411,652.00
Recommendation: Consistent with Qualifying Comments

Dear Mr. Connor:

In accordance with Presidential Executive Order 12372 and Code of Maryland Regulation 34.02.01.04-.06, the State Clearinghouse has coordinated the intergovernmental review of the referenced project. This letter constitutes the State process review and recommendation. This recommendation is valid for a period of three years from the date of this letter.

Review comments were requested from the Maryland Department(s) of Natural Resources, Transportation, the Environment; and the Maryland Department of Planning, including the Maryland Historical Trust. The Maryland Department of Natural Resources did not have comments.

The Maryland Department of Transportation; and the Maryland Department of Planning, including the Maryland Historical Trust found this project to be consistent with their plans, programs, and objectives.

The Maryland Historical Trust has determined that the project will have "no effect" on historic properties and that the federal and/or State historic preservation requirements have been met.

The Maryland Department of Environment (MDE) found this project to be generally consistent with their plans, programs, and objectives, but included certain qualifying comments summarized below.

1. If the applicant suspects that asbestos is present in any portion of the structure that will be renovated/demolished, then the applicant should contact the Community Environmental Services Program at (410) 537-3215 to learn about the State's requirements.

2. Construction, renovation and/or demolition of buildings and roadways must be performed in conformance with State regulations pertaining to "Particulate Matter from Materials Handling and Construction" requiring that during any construction and/or demolition work, reasonable precaution must be taken to prevent particulate matter, such as fugitive dust, from becoming airborne.

3. Any above ground or underground petroleum storage tanks, which may be utilized, must be installed and maintained in accordance with applicable State and federal laws and regulations. Underground storage tanks must be registered and the installation must be conducted and performed by a contractor certified to install underground storage tanks by the Land Management Administration in accordance with COMAR 26.10. Contact the Oil Control Program at (410) 537-3442 for additional information.

4. If the proposed project involves demolition – Any above ground or underground petroleum storage tanks that may be on site must have contents and tanks along with any contamination removed. Please contact the Oil Control Program at (410) 537-3442 for additional information.

5. Any solid waste including construction, demolition and land clearing debris, generated from the subject project, must be properly disposed of at a permitted solid waste acceptance facility, or recycled if possible. Contact the Solid Waste Program at (410) 537-3315 for additional information regarding solid waste activities and contact the Waste Diversion and Utilization Program at (410) 537-3314 for additional information regarding recycling activities.

6. The Waste Diversion and Utilization Program should be contacted directly at (410) 537-3314 by those facilities which generate or propose to generate or handle hazardous wastes to ensure these activities are being conducted in compliance with applicable State and federal laws and regulations. The Program should also be contacted prior to construction activities to ensure that the treatment, storage or disposal of hazardous wastes and low-level radioactive wastes at the facility will be conducted in compliance with applicable State and federal laws and regulations.

7. Any contract specifying “lead paint abatement” must comply with Code of Maryland Regulations. If a property was built before 1950 and will be used as rental housing, then compliance with COMAR 26.16.02 is required. Additional guidance regarding projects where lead paint may be encountered can be obtained by contacting the Environmental Lead Division at (410) 537-3825.

8. The proposed project may involve rehabilitation, redevelopment, revitalization, or property acquisition of commercial, industrial property. For specific information about these programs and eligibility, please contact the Land Restoration Program at (410) 537-3437.

Any statement of consideration given to the comments should be submitted to the approving authority, with a copy to the State Clearinghouse.
The State Application Identifier Number must be placed on any correspondence pertaining to this project. The State Clearinghouse must be kept informed if the approving authority cannot accommodate the recommendation.

Please remember, you must comply with all applicable state and local laws and regulations. If you need assistance or have questions, contact the State Clearinghouse staff person noted above at 410-767-4490 or through e-mail at myra.barnes@maryland.gov. **Also please complete the attached form and return it to the State Clearinghouse as soon as the status of the project is known.** ***Any substitutions of this form must include the State Application Identifier Number*****. This will ensure that our files are complete.**

Thank you for your cooperation with the MIRC process.

Sincerely,

Myra Barnes, Lead Clearinghouse Coordinator

MB:MB
Enclosure(s)
cc: Laurie Feinberg - BCIT
Tony Redman - DNR
Ian Beam - MDOT
Amanda Redmiles - MDE
Joseph Griffiths - MDPL
Beth Cole - MHT

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PROJECT STATUS FORM

Please complete this form and return it to the State Clearinghouse upon receipt of notification that the project has been approved or not approved by the approving authority.

TO: **Maryland State Clearinghouse**
Maryland Department of Planning
301 West Preston Street
Room 1104
Baltimore, MD 21201-2305

DATE: _____
(Please fill in the date form completed)

FROM: _____
(Name of person completing this form.)

PHONE: _____-____-_____
(Area Code & Phone number)

RE: **State Application Identifier:** **MD20201124-1014**
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PROJECT APPROVAL

This project/plan was: ☐ **Approved** ☐ **Approved with Modification** ☐ **Disapproved**

Name of Approving Authority: _____

Date Approved: _____

FUNDING APPROVAL

The funding (if applicable) has been approved for the period of:

_____, 201____ to _____, 201____ as follows:

Federal $:	Local $:	State $:	Other $:
_____	_____	_____	_____

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☐ *Further comment or explanation is attached*

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