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NOTICE OF CDBG PUBLIC HEARING FOR DISASTER RECOVERY INFRASTRUCTURE

The City of Vernon is applying for Rebuild Florida General Infrastructure Repair Program funding in the amount of one million six hundred seventy-four thousand six hundred twenty-two dollars (\$1,674,622.00 provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to assist the State of Florida in recovering from the effects of Hurricane Michael the 2018 Storm Event. This funding will be administered by the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) and can only be used for selected activities that are directly related to the disaster or for disaster mitigation. Activities that are typically eligible for funding under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program are eligible projects if no other funding is available to meet the need. Applications are due in DEO no later than September 17, 2021.

The City of Vernon intends to submit one application which will install City-Wide updates to the City's Sanitary Sewer system including the installation of emergency electrical generators at all ten (10) Sanitary Sewer Lift Stations along with the acquisition of necessary property easements on which to install generators not having sufficient property for the installation. The City-wide updates to the City's Sanitary Sewer system will also include the installation of a SCADA communications system at all ten (10) Sanitary Sewer Lift Stations. The project will also relocate a Sanitary Sewer Force-main Line that has been overflowing during significant storm events and rehabilitate and/or replace three manholes associated with the Sewer Main relocation. The City of Vernon intends to submit an application which will include the following activities:

Service Area & Project Activities	Project Location or Description	CDBG Funding
Administration	N/A	\$83,731.00
Engineering	Engineering (Includes Surveying, Design, Permitting, Bidding & Construction Observation Services)	\$207,910.00
City-Wide Sanitary Sewer Project	Install Emergency Electrical Generators and SCADA communications at all ten (10) Sanitary Sewer Lift Stations and acquire necessary property easements for the generators' installation. Relocate 1,500 LF of Sanitary Sewer Force-main Line from a shallow manhole near the intersection of Dawkins Street and Sapp Avenue farther south toward a deeper manhole adjacent to the existing Wastewater Treatment Plant, replace one Sanitary Sewer Manhole associated with the pipe relocation and rehabilitate two others that are also associated with the pipe relocation. (Includes Program Delivery Fees)	\$1,382,981.00
	TOTAL	\$1,674,622.00

A public hearing to provide citizens an opportunity to comment on the application will be held on **Friday, September 3, 2021**, at **5:30** p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible at the City of Vernon Council Chambers, located at 2808 Yellow Jacket Drive, Vernon, Florida.

A draft copy of the application will be available for review at the Vernon City Hall at that time and will remain available until it is replaced with the final copy of the application submitted to DEO. A final copy of the application will be made available at City of Vernon City Hall, Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. no more than five (5) working days after September 17, 2021. The application will be submitted to DEO on or before the application due date of September 17, 2021. To obtain additional information concerning the application and the public hearing, contact Ms. Tracy Walker, City Clerk, City of Vernon, 2808 Yellow Jacket Drive, Florida, 32462. Telephone (850) 535-2444.

Any resident wishing to know more about the proposed project should contact Ms. Tracy Walker, City Clerk, City of Vernon at (850) 535-2444 or at email (clerk@vernonfl.com). Information relating to the proposed project and application can also be accessed on the City of Vernon website located at (<https://www.vernonflorida.net>). Comments from the public must be no later than 5:00 p.m. on **Monday, September 13, 2021**. All comments will be considered and proposed changes will be submitted to DEO. Information relating to the proposed project and application is available for review between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the City of Vernon, City Hall located at 2808 Yellow Jacket Drive, Florida, 32462.

Any non-English speaking person wishing to provide a response to this public notice should contact Ms. Tracy Walker, City Clerk, City of Vernon at (850) 535-2444 or at email (clerk@vernonfl.com) least five calendar days prior **to September 3, 2021**, and a language interpreter will be provided.
