

Request for Release of Funds and Certification

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Community Planning and Development

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Exhibit IV-C.6

This form is to be used by Responsible Entities and Recipients (as defined in 24 CFR 58.2) when requesting the release of funds, and requesting the authority to use such funds, for HUD programs identified by statutes that provide for the assumption of the environmental review responsibility by units of general local government and States. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 36 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. This agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless that collection displays a valid OMB control number.

Part 1. Program Description and Request for Release of Funds (to be completed by Responsible Entity)

1. Program Title(s) Neighborhood Stabilization Program Welby Station Project	2. HUD/State Identification Number (GRANT NUMBER)	3. Recipient Identification Number (optional)
4. OMB Catalog Number(s) (optional)	5. Name and address of Responsible Entity Colorado Department of Local Affairs 1313 Sherman Street, Room 521 Denver, CO 80203	
6. For information about this request, contact (name & phone number)	7. Name and address of recipient (if different than Responsible Entity) Adams County Housing Authority 7190 Colorado Blvd. Commerce City, CO 80022	
8. HUD or State Agency and office unit to receive request		

The recipient(s) of assistance under the program(s) listed above requests the release of funds and removal of environmental grant conditions governing the use of the assistance for the following

9. Program Activity(ies)/Project Name(s) Activity E (Redevelopment) of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program for the Welby Station Project	10. Location (Street address, city, county, State) Welby Station 88 th Avenue & Welby Road Thornton, CO 80229
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11. Program Activity/Project Description (including grant amount)
The Welby Station multifamily project will consist of two or more phases of three story walk-up apartments with garages and screened parking. The first phase of the project will consist of 119 units, a community center, playground and pool. The second phase will consist of approximately 70 units of additional housing served by the same common amenities.

The Adams County Housing Authority (ACHA) has proposed a mixed income project serving families from 30% AMI up to market. 28.4% of the project, which includes 34 units, will be at the 30% and 40% AMI levels. ACHA will project base 25 Section 8 vouchers across those 30% and 40% AMI units in order to increase permanent debt for the project. 51 units or 42.9% of the total project will be at or below 50% AMI. 20.2% of the units will be market rate in an effort to promote truly mixed income project. Only 8.4% of the project will be at 60% AMI due to the typical increased challenge of marketing those units.

The project is located in the City of Thornton, at the north east corner of the intersection of Welby Road and 88th Avenue, just west of Colorado Boulevard. RTD's FasTracks project has identified a light rail line which will be developed into the northern suburbs of Denver. This plan includes a stop in Thornton near 88th Avenue and Welby Road known as the Welby Station. The City of Thornton has made the development of this station a top priority, as it may be the only station RTD ever builds in the City.

The land adjacent to the proposed light rail station is a large in-fill parcel of 53 acres. It is currently owned by Welby Station LLC, and entity controlled by Gene Myers (of New Town Builders) and Michael Richardson. This infill parcel has sat dormant while the land surrounding it was developed throughout the 1960's, 70's and 80's. Gene Myers has worked diligently over the past 6 years to create a plan for development of this site which not only is supported by the surrounding neighborhoods, but also compliments and supports a mixed-use development which is consistent with RTD's and the City of Thornton's vision for this Transit Oriented Development (TOD).

The land acquisition and predevelopment of the Welby Station project will be paid for by an award of \$2.5 million from the Colorado Division of Housing's Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)

Part 2. Environmental Certification (to be completed by Responsible Entity)

With reference to the above Program Activity(ies)/Project(s), I, the undersigned officer of the Responsible Entity, certify that:

1. The Responsible Entity has fully carried out its responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action pertaining to the project(s) named above.
2. The Responsible Entity has assumed responsibility for and complied with and will continue to comply with, the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the environmental procedures, permit requirements and statutory obligations of the laws cited in 24 CFR 58.5; and also agrees to comply with the authorities in 24 CFR 58.6 and applicable State and local laws.
3. After considering the type and degree of environmental effects identified by the environmental review completed for the proposed project described in Part 1 of this request, I have found that the proposal did did not require the preparation and dissemination of an environmental impact statement.
4. The Responsible Entity has disseminated and/or published in the manner prescribed by 24 CFR 58.43 and 58.55 a notice to the public in accordance with 24 CFR 58.70 and as evidenced by the attached copy (copies) or evidence of posting and mailing procedure.
5. The dates for all statutory and regulatory time periods for review, comment or other action are in compliance with procedures and requirements of 24 CFR Part 58.
6. In accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b), the Responsible Entity will advise the recipient (if different from the Responsible Entity) of any special environmental conditions that must be adhered to in carrying out the project.

As the duly designated certifying official of the Responsible Entity, I also certify that:


7. I am authorized to and do consent to assume the status of Federal official under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and each provision of law designated in the 24 CFR 58.5 list of NEPA-related authorities insofar as the provisions of these laws apply to the HUD responsibilities for environmental review, decision-making and action that have been assumed by the Responsible Entity.
8. I am authorized to and do accept, on behalf of the recipient personally, the jurisdiction of the Federal courts for the enforcement of all these responsibilities, in my capacity as certifying officer of the Responsible Entity.

Signature of Certifying Officer of the Responsible Entity X	Name & Title of Certifying Officer Tamra Hooper, Environmental Compliance Officer
	Date signed

Address of Certifying Officer
Department of Local Affairs
1313 Sherman Street, Room 521
Denver, CO 80203

Part 3. To be completed when the Recipient is not the Responsible Entity

The recipient requests the release of funds for the programs and activities identified in Part 1 and agrees to abide by the special conditions, procedures and requirements of the environmental review and to advise the Responsible Entity of any proposed change in the scope of the project or any change in environmental conditions in accordance with 24 CFR 58.71(b).

Signature of Authorized Officer of the Recipient X 	Name & Title of Authorized Officer Arthur Ray Leibel Sr / Mgr of Special Projects
	Date signed 10/10/2014

Warning: HUD will prosecute false claims and statements. Conviction may result in criminal and/or civil penalties. (18 U.S.C. 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. 3729, 3802)

**Instructions for Completing the
Request for Release of Funds and Certification
Exhibit IV-C.6 / HUD-7015.15**

Part 1. Program Description and Request for Release of Funds (to be completed by Responsible Entity)

Block 1. Program Title(s): enter the HUD program name - e.g., Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME, etc.

Block 2. HUD/State Identification Number: enter the letters/numbers assigned to your program/project by the State- e.g. Community Development Block Grant, CDBG 11-XXX; HOME 11-XXX; etc.

Block 3. Recipient Identification Number: No response is necessary for this box. It is provided for the convenience of the Responsible Entity. For example it can be used by a Responsible Entity that has an internal system for numbering its projects, and/or for accounting purposes.

Block 4. OMB Catalog Number(s): No response is necessary for this box.

Block 5. Name and Address of Responsible Entity: enter the name and address of the unit of government responsible for the environmental review of the activity(ies)/project(s). It may be the same as the grant recipient implementing the project.

Block 6. For information about this request, Contact (name & phone number): enter the name of person to contact concerning form Exhibit IV-C.6 and the environmental review(s) for the activity(ies)/project(s) listed on this form. This may be the Environmental Preparer, the Certifying Officer of the Responsible Entity, or another person with knowledge regarding the environmental review of the project.

Block 7. Name and Address of Recipient/Grantee (if different than Responsible Entity): enter the name of the private, public, quasi-governmental, profit or non-profit organization which received the grant directly from DOLA but lacks the legal capacity to assume the environmental review responsibility for the activity(ies)/project(s). As such the recipient is not environmentally liable in federal courts for the project per HUD's environmental review procedures. This includes all non-local government grantees.

Block 8. HUD or State Agency and Office Unit to Receive Request: enter the name and address of the HUD Office or State Agency where form Exhibit IV-C.6 will be submitted.

Block 9. Program Activity/Project Name: enter the activity(ies)/project name(s) for which this form Exhibit IV-C.6 is submitted.

Block 10. Location (Street address, city, county, and State): enter the location of the activity/project.

Block 11. Program Activity/Project Description: enter a description of the activity/project for which this form Exhibit IV-C.6 pertains.

Part 2. Environmental Certification (to be completed by Responsible Entity)

Point 3: Check either the first or second box. The second box is usually checked.

Signature of Certifying Officer of the Responsible Entity: the Certifying Officer signs his/her name, title, and the date. The Certifying Officer is usually the chief elected official for the Responsible Entity/jurisdiction in which the project is located, or his/her designee. The Certifying Officer may also be a Governor, or a State Agency official, formally and legally designated by the Governor. The Certifying Officer is attesting to the Responsible Entity's compliance with HUD's environmental review procedures (24 CFR Part 58) as set forth in points 1 - 8 in Part 2.

If the Responsible Entity is also the grant recipient, the completed form Exhibit IV-C.6, along with a certified copy of the posted or published environmental Notice(s), is/are submitted to DOLA/OEDIT as appropriate.

Part 3. To be completed when the Recipient is not the Responsible Entity

Signature of Authorized Officer of the Recipient: the recipient completes form Exhibit IV-C.6. It is to be signed and dated by the "Authorized Officer" of the recipient under Part 3. The recipient then submits the completed form Exhibit IV-C.6 along with a certified copy of the posted or published public Notice(s) to DOLA's Environmental Compliance Officer. The recipient maintains a copy of the environmental review record for its official project file. DOLA will then sign form Exhibit IV-C.6 under Part 2 as the Responsible Entity and submit a certified copy of the posted or published public Notice to the appropriate HUD Office Division Director cited in the above referenced environmental Notice(s).

NOTE: The recipient, by signing form Exhibit IV-C.6, agrees to implement any special environmental conditions resulting from the environmental review prepared by the Responsible Entity. The recipient also agrees to notify the Responsible Entity of any proposed change in scope of the project or any change in environmental conditions. It also agrees not to implement any of those changes without a prior concurrence from the Responsible Entity and, if deemed necessary by the Responsible Entity, a supplemental formal release of funds from HUD/DOLA.

Please forward questions and route completed forms to the appropriate contact person below:	
DOLA/DOH GRANTEES	OEDIT GRANTEES
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