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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Webster Office of Community Development (OCD) will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 24, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. on behalf of the Board of Selectmen. The hearing's purpose is to discuss a FY 2025 grant application to the Massachusetts Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, to report on the progress of current CDBG grants, a planned amendment to its FY 2022-2023 grant, and to discuss local community development and housing needs and issues. Under the proposed FY 2025 CDBG Mini-Entitlement Program grant, the Town may request up to \$850,000. The following activity is being considered for funding within the Town's designated CDBG Target Area: the first phase of a two-phase reconstruction of Aldrich Street's roadway, curbing and sidewalks, storm drainage upgrades and related work. The grant application may include this activity, as well as additional ones.

To comply with CDBG requirements, this hearing will also provide the public with updates on the Town's combined FY 2022/2023 and FY 2024 CDBG grants. It will also include a discussion of the Town's unmet housing and community development needs as described in its Community Development Strategy (CDS), and the limits and possible expansion of the Webster Center CDBG Target Area. The Town intends to make minor modifications to its current CDS for the FY 2025 grant application. The CDS cites possible actions to address a broad range of the town's needs. The grant amendment that is under consideration for the FY2022/2023 grant is to add an activity to the grant by transferring funds from its Davis Street project to assist the Webster Housing Authority in acquiring a two-family residence on Slater Street that would become housing for two lower income households.

The hearing will be held in the Webster Housing Authority's Community Room, Building #10, at 10 Golden Heights, off Slater Street. Any person or organization wishing to be heard will be afforded an opportunity to do so. Comments and/or suggestions regarding the proposed activities, other eligible activities, Webster's proposed amendment to its FY 2022/2023 grant or the Webster Community Development Strategy may be made at the hearing, or in writing to the Webster OCD, Webster Town Hall, 350 Main Street, Webster, MA 01570 before the hearing. The Town encourages a broad spectrum of participation by residents and other interested parties, to better understand and serve the community's needs. The hearing location is accessible to persons with physical disabilities. If you require a translator, accommodation for a hearing impairment or other accommodation, contact the OCD no later than Wednesday, February 19, at the Town Hall, by calling 508.949.3800, ext. 4004, or via email at ccyr@webster-ma.gov.

In case of inclement weather, the hearing will be rescheduled to 6:00 PM, Thursday, February 27, 2025, at the same location.