

**PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF POMPANO BEACH
PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF AN APPLICATION
FIRST TIME HOMEBUYER PROGRAM - HOME FUNDS**

The City of Pompano Beach is an entitlement recipient of Federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and Home Investment Partnership Programs (HOME).

The City has received an application from ERIC HARRIS, for the First Time Home Buyer Program from an income eligible applicant, who is an employee of the City, working in the capacity of Service Worker, Part Time for the Grounds and Maintenance Division for the City of Pompano Beach. The Federal Government's Code of Federal Regulations, 24 CFR 570.611 states that:

b) *Conflicts prohibited.* No persons described in paragraph (c) of this section who exercises or have exercised any functions or responsibilities with respect to activities assisted with CDBG funds or who are in a position to participate in a decision making process or gain inside information with regard to these activities, may obtain a financial interest or benefit from a CDBG-assisted activity, or have an interest in any contract, subcontract or agreement with respect thereto, or the proceeds thereunder, either for themselves or those with whom they have family or business ties, during their tenure or for one year thereafter.

(c) *Persons covered.* The conflict of interest provisions of paragraph (b) of this section apply to any person who is an employee, agent, consultant, officer, or elected official or appointed official of the participating jurisdiction, State recipient, or subrecipient which are receiving CDBG funds.

Exception

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) may grant an exception to these provisions and allow ERIC HARRIS to receive funds from the First Time Home Buyer program (HOME Funds), providing the City publicly discloses the nature of the potential conflict and an opinion from the City attorney that the interest for which we are seeking the exception is not in violation of State or Local law.

The potential conflict in this case arises from the fact that ERIC HARRIS is a City employee, and the City is a recipient of CDBG funding.

James E. Saunders, III, serving as Assistant City Attorney, has reviewed all documentation for this application and issued a legal opinion regarding the potential conflict of interest. In this opinion, Mr. Harris' application does not violate State or local law or any City administrative policies.

Public Comment

Residents are encouraged to review the complete opinion and provide written comments. Copies of the opinion are available for review at the Housing & Urban Improvement Department, located at 100 West Atlantic Boulevard, Pompano Beach, Florida 33060 during regular business hours, Monday to Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. during the 30-day period to commence on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, and will end on Thursday, May 30, 2024. Comments may be submitted to the Office of Housing & Urban Improvement by mail, in person, or by e-mail to miriam.carrillo@copbfl.com on the dates listed above.

If you have any questions regarding this notice please feel free to contact the Office of Housing & Urban Improvement at (954) 786-4659.

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