



NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

(This notice fulfills two separate but related procedural requirements for an activity to be carried out by the Municipality of Canóvanas.)

INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS – The Municipality of Canóvanas proposes to request, on or about the 16 day of October 2025 (within the next 15 days), that the Puerto Rico Department of Housing (PRDOH) release funds from the CDBG-DR City Revitalization Program, under the Continuing Appropriations Act of 2018 and the Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Requirements Act of 2017 (Public Law 115-56) (House Resolution 569 provided a second disaster package), in the amount of **\$604,355.48** to carry out the following project:

Project	Address	Description	Funding Source Amount CDBG-DR
Plaza de Artes Teatrales	<u>Calle Autonomía, Esq. Calle Muñoz Rivera, Canóvanas Puerto Rico.</u> <u>Coordenadas x:256191.9316, y:260441.8011</u>	The proposed project consists of an open-air amphitheater area and a stage area. The stage area consists of a two-hundred-fifty (250) square-foot space and an adjacent urban wall that continues the site’s urban façade. The height of the structure aligns with adjacent structures. To the east, a balcony of the neighboring structure establishes the height level, and to the north, an overhang establishes the height of the urban wall. The proposed project includes construction work with excavations and earth movement for the following main works: construction of an open-air amphitheater, a concrete perimeter wall, a stage area, and the installation of an underground stormwater drainage system. Surface trenches will also be carried out for electrical and plumbing utility connections, as well as the planting of new trees and ground cover. Excavations will range between 2 and 3 feet in depth, with widths varying from 1 to 5 feet, depending on the type of structure and technical specifications. All work will be carried out in accordance with engineering plans and current building codes, ensuring compliance with applicable design and safety requirements.	<u>\$604,355.48</u>

The proposed activities have been reviewed under HUD regulations (24 CFR Part 58) and require an Environmental Assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA). The Municipality has prepared an Environmental Review Record (ERR) for the project, which is available for public examination Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the following address:

**Oficina de Planificación y Desarrollo Económico
Municipio de Canóvanas
Autonomia Street Corner, Pepita Albandoz, Street
Canóvanas, PR 00729
787-957-1075**

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PUBLIC COMMENTS: Any individual, group, or agency interested in submitting comments or disagreeing with this determination must submit written comments and either deliver them in person to the address listed above or send them by mail to: Office of Planning and Economic Development, P.O. Box 1612, Canóvanas, PR 00729-1612 or via email to planificacion@canovanasgov.com. Comments received within fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this notice will be considered by the Municipality prior to submitting the request for the release of funds. Comments must specify which part of this notice they are addressing.

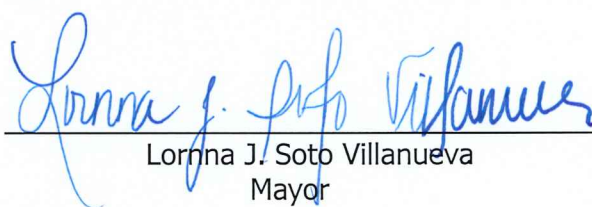
RELEASE OF FUNDS: By this notice, PRDOH is certified that the Municipality and the Honorable Lornna J. Soto Villanueva, in her capacity as Certifying Officer, accept the applicable laws and regulations to carry out the responsibilities related to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been fulfilled. Approval of the certification by PRDOH satisfies its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), related laws and authorities, and allows the Municipality to use funds from the CDBG-DR Program.


OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS: PRDOH will accept objections to the release of funds and to the Municipality's certification for a period of fifteen (15) days beginning either from the anticipated submission date of the request for release of funds or from the date of receipt, whichever is later. PRDOH will consider objections only if they are based on one of the following grounds: 1. The Municipality's Certifying Officer did not sign the certification; 2. The Municipality omitted a step or failed to make a required decision or finding under Part 58 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations; 3. The Municipality has obligated funds or incurred costs not authorized by Part 58 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations before PRDOH approved the release of funds and the certification; 4. Another federal agency, acting pursuant to Part 1504 of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, has submitted a written determination that the project is unsatisfactory from an environmental quality standpoint.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the procedures set forth in Part 58 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations and should be addressed to PRDOH at the following address: Puerto Rico Department of Housing (PRDOH) – Disaster Recovery Office, Permits and Environmental Compliance Division, 606 Barbosa Ave., San Juan, PR 00918. Interested parties wishing to submit objections should contact PRDOH at (787) 274-2527 to verify the last day of the objection period. Objections received after thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice will not be considered by PRDOH.

This notice shall be valid upon its publication and dissemination in accordance with the requirements established under **24 CFR Part 58** and the applicable provisions of the **Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended**.

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Lornna J. Soto Villanueva
Mayor


Leslie R. Rivera Domenech, PPL
Certified Officer
Municipality of Canóvanas

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