

Residential Anti-displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan
under Section 104(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as Amended

The City of Princeton anticipates participating in the Minnesota Small Cities Development Program. Through this participation, the replacement of sanitary sewer infrastructure in 7th Avenue will occur. The consequence of the proposed activities is that the potential for displacement exists, although it is not anticipated. The purpose of the Residential Anti-displacement and Relocation

The Assistance Plan is to describe the steps the City of Princeton shall take to mitigate the adverse effects of displacement on low and moderate-income persons.

I. The City of Princeton will replace all occupied and vacant occupiable low/moderate-income dwelling units demolished or converted to use other than as low/moderate-income housing in connection with an activity assisted with funds provided under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, as described in 24 CFR, Part 570.606 and 24 CFR, Part 42. All replacement housing will be provided within three years after the commencement of the demolition or conversion. Before entering into a contract committing the City of Princeton to provide funds for an activity that will directly result in such demolition or conversion, the City of Princeton will make public and submit to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development the following information in writing:

- A. A description of the proposed assisted activity.
- B. The location on a map and number of dwelling units by size (number of bedrooms) that will be demolished or converted to a use other than as low/moderate-income dwelling units as a direct result of the assisted activities.
- C. A time schedule for the commencement and completion of the demolition or conversions.
- D. The location on a map and the number of dwelling units by size (number of bedrooms) will be provided as replacement dwelling units. If such data are not available at the time of the general submission, the City of Princeton will identify the general location on an area map and the approximate number of dwelling units by size and provide information identifying the specific location and number of dwelling units by size shall be submitted and disclosed to the public as soon as possible;
- E. The source of funding and a time schedule for the provision of replacement dwelling units.
- F. The basis for concluding that each replacement dwelling unit will remain a low/moderate-income dwelling unit for at least 10 years from the date of initial occupancy.
- G. Information demonstrating that any proposed replacement of dwelling units with smaller dwelling units (e.g., a 2-bedroom unit with two 1-bedroom units) is consistent with the housing needs of low and moderate-income households in the jurisdiction.

The City of Princeton may request the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development to recommend that the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development approve an exception to required replacement housing if there is an adequate local supply of vacant low/moderate-income dwelling units in standard condition. Exceptions will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis as described in 24 CFR, Part 570.488(c)(1)(B).

II. The City of Princeton will provide relocation assistance, as described in 24 CFR, Part 570.488(c)(2), to any lower-income person displaced by the demolition of any dwelling unit or the conversion of a low/moderate-income dwelling unit to another use in connection with an assisted activity.

III. Consistent with the goals and objectives of activities assisted under the Act, the City of Princeton will take the following steps to minimize the displacement of persons from their homes:

1. The proposed project will be limited to the ROW associated with the proposed infrastructure.
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IV. Definitions for the purposes of this plan are as follows:

A “**low/moderate-income dwelling unit**” is a unit with a market rent, including utility costs, that does not exceed the applicable fair market rent for existing housing and moderate rehabilitation, as established under the HUD Section 8 existing housing program. A “vacant occupiable dwelling unit” is a vacant unit that is in standard condition; or in substandard but suitable for rehabilitation condition; or in dilapidated condition and occupied less than three months from the date of the grantee agreement.

An “**Occupiable Dwelling Unit**” is a unit that is in standard condition or has been raised to a standard condition from a substandard condition, suitable for rehabilitation.

A “**Standard Condition**” dwelling unit is a unit which meets HUD Section 8 Housing Quality Standards (HQS) with no major defects in the structure and only minor maintenance is required. Such a dwelling will have the following characteristics: reliable roofs, sound foundations; adequate and stable floors, walls and ceilings; surfaces and woodwork that are not seriously damaged nor have paint deterioration; sound windows and doors; adequate heating, plumbing, and electrical systems adequate insulation; and adequate water and sewer systems, and not overcrowded (defined as more than one person per room).

A “**Substandard Condition**” dwelling unit is a unit if it does not meet HUD Section 8 Housing Quality Standards (HQS) which includes lacking the following: complete plumbing, complete kitchen facilities, efficient and environmentally sound sewage removal and water supply, and heating source. In addition, the dwelling may be overcrowded defined as more than one person per room).

A “**Substandard but Suitable for Rehabilitation Condition**” dwelling unit, at a minimum, is a dwelling unit that does not meet Housing Quality Standards (HQS) with some of the same features as a “substandard condition” dwelling unit. This unit is likely to have deferred maintenance and may have some structural damage such as a leaking roof, deteriorated interior surfaces, and inadequate insulation.

A “**substandard but suitable**” dwelling unit, however, has basic infrastructure (including systems for clean water and adequate waste disposal) that allows for economically and physically feasible improvements and upon completion of rehabilitation meets the definition of a “Standard” dwelling unit.

Mayor

City Administrator

Date

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