## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INVITATION TO COMMENT ON THE TOWN OF UNION PROPOSED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-COVID (CDBG-CV) SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE FFY 2019 CDBG ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has notified the Town of Union that it will receive an allocation of \$753,358 in CDBG-CV funds to be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19. This allocation was authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, which was signed into law on March 27, 2020.

The Town of Union invites the public to review and comment on a proposed Substantial Amendment to the FFY 2019 Annual Action Plan for the CDBG program. The Substantial Amendment is to make available CDBG-CV funding under the CARES Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond the pandemic.

In accordance with federal regulations governing the use of CDBG funds, public input is being solicited, ending on August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The draft Substantial Amendment is available for review and may be downloaded from the following web address: <u>https://townofunion.com/departments/community-development.html</u>

Funds for new activities will be allocated as follows: CDBG-CV Administration & Project Delivery Costs: \$88,358.00 COVID-19 Emergency Rent & Utility Assistance: \$225,000.00 COVID-19 Emergency Mortgage & Utility Assistance: \$225,000.00 COVID-19 Emergency Assistance to Non-Profits: \$90,000.00 COVID-19 Economic Development Assistance: \$125,000.00

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with an Emergency Order of the Governor of the State of New York, notice is hereby given that a public hearing is scheduled for <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 5, 2020</u> at 7:00 o'clock or thereafter in the evening in person attendance shall NOT exceed 50% capacity of the Town Hall Board Room, less Town Board Members and Town Employees. It is anticipated that the maximum number of the public who can be in attendance at Town Hall for this Town Board meeting and public hearing will be 17 persons. All persons in attendance MUST wear a face covering to include their mouth and nose region, they MUST hand sanitize upon entry of the meeting at the hand sanitize stations provided by the Town, they MUST adhere to social distancing guidelines and remain six (6) feet apart at all times. Alternatively, or in the event that in person public attendance has met the maximum capacity, the public hearing will be accessible to the public via Zoom virtual meeting software. Any members of the public wishing to observe the meeting remotely are advised to access the meeting via Zoom Video Conference:

Meeting Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89565296864 Meeting ID: 895 6529 6864 Dial in phone number: One tap mobile +19292056099,,89565296864# US (New York) Dial by your location +1 929 205 6099 US (New York) +1 301 715 8592 US (Germantown) +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston) +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose) +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma) Meeting ID: 895 6529 6864 Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/ksboFUoKy

The public hearing will be held to solicit comments on the proposed FFY 2019 Action Plan proposed Substantial Amendment.

Interested citizens or organizations should address comments about the proposed amendment in writing to: Town of Union Department of Planning, Town Hall, 3111 East Main Street, Endwell, New York 13760. Comments may also be sent by the deadline via electronic mail to <u>szubalsky@townofunion.com</u>. All comments must be received by Wednesday August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

All public comments will be considered before this amendment to the FFY 2019 CDBG Annual Action Plan Action Plan and budget are implemented, subject to Town Board approval. The Town Board will consider the proposed amendment at its regular meeting on Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Hearing or speech impaired persons should call the Town's TDD number at 786-2915. If you require special accommodations to participate in the public hearing please contact the Town of Union at (607) 786-2985 at least 24 hours prior to the public hearing.

## Sara Zubalsky-Peer Planning Director