NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF ELLINGTON, CONNECTICUT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town of Ellington, Connecticut's Board of Selectmen will conduct a public hearing on Monday, March 14, 2016, at 7:00 PM in the Meeting Hall (2nd Floor), Town Hall, 55 Main Street, Ellington, Ellington, CT 06029, to discuss the Fiscal Year 2016 Community Development Block Grant program and to solicit citizen input.

Maximum award limits are: \$700,000 for Public Facilities; \$700,000 for Public Housing Modernization (25 or fewer units), \$800,000 (26 or more units); \$500,000 for Infrastructure; \$400,000 for Housing Rehabilitation Program (single town), \$500,000 (two towns), \$600,000 (three or more towns); \$25,000 for Planning Only; \$500,000 for Economic Development; and \$500,000 for Urgent Need.

Major activity categories are Acquisition, Housing Rehabilitation, Public Housing Modernization, Community Facilities, Public Services and Economic Development. Projects funded with CDBG allocations must carry out at least one of three National Objectives, as follows: benefit to low-and moderate-income persons, elimination of slums and blight, or meeting urgent community development needs.

The Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the Town of Ellington, anticipates applying for up to \$600,000 under the Housing Rehabilitation category to continue its regional housing rehabilitation program that serves residents of Ellington, Somers, and Suffield and, possibly, expanding it to other towns (Windsor Locks). The Town may also utilize program income from prior grants in accordance with the guidelines established in the Town's Program Income Reuse Plan.

The purpose of the public hearing will be to give citizens an opportunity to make their comments known on the program, current grants, and on the approval of the Program Income Reuse Plan. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may direct written comments to the Town of Ellington, First Selectman's Office, 55 Main Street, Ellington, CT 06029, or via telephone at (860) 870-3100. In addition, information may be obtained from the Ellington Community Development Office at Town Hall on Tuesdays between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM, or at other times by special arrangement.

The Town of Ellington is an EEO/AA Employer/Contracting Agency. It also promotes fair housing and makes all programs available to low- and moderate-income families regardless of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual preference, marital status, or handicap.

The hearing location is accessible to persons with physical disabilities. If you are non-English speaking and require a translator, an accommodation for a hearing impairment or other accommodation, contact First Selectman Lori Spielman, telephone 860-870-3100, or the Community Development Office (860-870-3132) by Tuesday, March 8, 2016.

Lori Spielman First Selectman

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