CITY OF WATERTOWN NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE DRAFT PROGRAM YEAR 2014-15 CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND THE DRAFT PROGRAM YEAR 2014 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN

Notice is hereby given that the City of Watertown (the City) has prepared its Draft Two-Year Consolidated Plan for Program Years 2014-15 and an Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2014 for its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program. The publication of this notice is the beginning of the 30-day public review period required under Federal Regulation 24 CFR 91.105 (b) (2). The public review and written comment period begins on June 14, 2014 and concludes on July 13, 2014.

The City's draft plans identify how the City intends to use CDBG funds provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The Consolidated Plan covers Program Years 2014 and 2015 and the Annual Action Plan covers Program Year 2014. The primary strategy of the City's Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan is to improve livability of the City's residential neighborhoods inhabited by low and moderate income persons. The plan proposes to do this by improving the quality of the housing stock, improving the public infrastructure and eliminating blighting influences.

For Program Year 2014 the City proposes the utilization of grant funds to implement programs and activities as follows:

2014 Community Development Block Grant Program Budget

Sources PY2014 Entitlement Grant 2013 NYS Small Cities CDBG HOME Consortium Grant	\$796,173.00 \$364,000.00 \$95,000.00
Total Funds Available for Allocation	\$1,255,173.00
Uses	
Owner Occupied Rehab Program	\$380,000.00
Rental Rehab Program	\$305,000.00
Maple Court Apartments	\$200,000.00
Sidewalk Program	\$100,000.00
Blight Removal Program	\$100,000.00
Street Tree Program	\$7,000.00
Homeless Needs	\$13,200.00
Planning and Administration	\$149,973.00
Total Funds Proposed for Allocation	\$1,255,173.00

Full copies of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan are available for public viewing at the City Clerk's Office or City Planning Office located at 245 Washington St., at the Roswell P. Flower Memorial Library located at 229 Washington St., and at the Watertown Housing

Authority Offices located at 142 Mechanic St. Any interested person may also request that a free copy of the plan be mailed to them. A copy can also be viewed at the City's website, www.watertown-ny.gov.

The City will place the draft plans in a format accessible to persons with disabilities or non-English speaking individuals, upon request. Contact the City Planning Office at the address or phone number below if special arrangements are needed or to request a mailed copy of the draft plan.

Comments on the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan will be accepted through July 13, 2014. Interested parties may contact the Planning Office by phone with comments or submit them in writing. The City Planning Office can be reached by phone at (315) 785-7730 or by mail at 245 Washington St., Watertown, NY 13601.