

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AN APPLICATION FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, August 11th, 2026, at or soon after 7:00 p.m. in the Valparaiso Senior/Community Center, the Village of Valparaiso will hold a public hearing concerning an application to the Nebraska Department of Economic Development for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). This grant is available to local governments for community/economic development activities.

The Village of Valparaiso is requesting \$630,000 for a project to rehabilitate the Pine Street bridge (Bridge No. M2505C0705) over a tributary to North Oak Creek. The project will remove and replace the failed timber superstructure with a new steel beam and concrete deck structure, rehabilitate the corroded abutment substructures on the existing steel piling, install new concrete approach slabs, and place channel rip-rap for erosion protection. The need for this project was identified after failure of the bridge's transverse post-tensioned rods and severe corrosion of the steel substructure required the bridge to be closed to traffic. The total estimated project cost is \$713,280, with total CDBG funding in the amount of \$630,000; the Village of Valparaiso will provide the remaining \$83,280 from Savings Bonds. CDBG funded activities will include \$600,000 for Bridge Rehabilitation, \$25,000 for General Administration, and \$5,000 for Construction Management. The project activities include:

- Project Activity 03K — Street Improvements (Bridge Rehabilitation) — \$600,000 CDBG + \$83,280 Local
- Project Activity 21A — General Administration — \$25,000
- Project Activity 03K — Construction Management — \$5,000

All funds will be utilized for the National Objective of LMI to benefit low- and moderate-income persons. There will be no persons displaced as a result of CDBG activities.

All interested parties are invited to attend this public hearing at which time you will have an opportunity to be heard regarding the grant application. Written and oral testimony will also be accepted at the public hearing scheduled for **7:00 PM, Tuesday, August 11th, 2026, in the Valparaiso Senior/Community Center at 312 Pine St, Valparaiso, NE 68065**. Written comments addressed to Village Clerk Stephanie Nelson at the same address will be accepted if received on or before Tuesday, August 18th, 2026.

Individuals requiring physical or sensory accommodations including interpreter service, Braille, large print, or recorded materials, please contact Village Clerk Stephanie Nelson at (402) 784-2233 or utilities@valparaisonebraska.com no later than Friday, August 7th, 2026. Accommodations will be made for persons with disabilities and non-English speaking individuals provided that a three-day notice is received by the Village.