NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

The Jaffrey Select Board will hold two consecutive public hearings on **November 9**th, **2020 at 6:00 P.M.** in the Jaffrey Fire Station, 138 Turnpike Road, Jaffrey, NH 03452. These hearings will be open to the public in-person or online via the platform Zoom. To join the meeting via Zoom, please go to https://zoom.us/join or dial by your location at +1 (929) 205-6099 and enter the Meeting ID: 873 6965 6581 and the Passcode: 963154.

The subject of the first public hearing is an application to the NH Community Development Finance Authority for federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. CDBG funds are awarded on a competitive basis in New Hampshire and may be used for projects which have primary benefit to low- and moderate-income persons. Up to \$500,000 is available in CDBG funds annually to Municipalities in each of the following categories: housing, public facilities, economic development, microenterprise technical assistance, and emergency funds. Municipalities can also apply for up to \$25,000 for feasibility studies annually.

The proposal to be considered by the Select Board is an Economic Development application for \$500,000 in CDBG funds. The funds, less administrative costs, will be used for the construction of a water treatment facility and related infrastructure by the Town of Jaffrey at the Cold Stone Springs properties, located northwest of Old Sharon Road in Jaffrey and Sharon, NH. As a result of the project, EMD Millipore will create 25 jobs at their Jaffrey facility, at least 15 of which will be held by persons with low- to moderate-incomes. The total project cost is estimated at \$4.93 million. The first public hearing is scheduled to provide residents with specific information regarding the proposal and grant requirements.

A second public hearing will be held to review and adopt the Relocation and Anti-Displacement Plan specific to this project.

Interested persons are invited to attend and comment. Please contact the Jaffrey Town Office, (603) 532-7880, in advance if you have a disability or need assistance to attend or participate in the hearing. Anyone wishing to submit written comments prior to the hearing should address them to the Jaffrey Select Board, 10 Goodnow Street, Jaffrey, NH 03452.