

# Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure U.S. House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

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#### **COMMITTEE RESOLUTION**

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#### LEASE U.S. CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES SUBURBAN KANSAS CITY, MO PMO-01-KC22

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* that pursuant to 40 U.S.C. §3307, appropriations are authorized for a lease of up to 342,245 rentable square feet of space, including 5 official parking spaces, for the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service, currently housed at 150 NW Space Center Loop in Lees' Summit, MO, at a proposed total annual cost of \$6,465,008 for a lease term of up to 10 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to the execution of the new lease.

*Provided that,* the Administrator of General Services and tenant agency(ies) agree to apply an overall utilization rate of 505 square feet or less per person, except that, if the Administrator determines that the overall utilization rate cannot be achieved, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided that,* except for interim leases as described above, the Administrator may not enter into any leases that are below prospectus level for the purposes of meeting any of the requirements, or portions thereof, included in the prospectus that would result in an overall utilization rate of 505 square feet or higher per person.

*Provided that,* to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator shall include in the lease contract(s) a purchase option that can be exercised at the conclusion of the firm term of the lease.

*Provided further*, that the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, except that, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area of the procurement should not be identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Transportation

and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, not later than 30 calendar days after the date on which a request from the Chair or Ranking Member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives is received by the Administrator of General Services, the Administrator shall provide such Member a response in writing that provides any information requested regarding the project.

*Provided further,* the Administrator of General Services may not enter into this lease if it does not contain a provision barring any individual holding a federally-elected office, regardless of whether such individual took office before or after execution of this lease, to directly participate in, or benefit from or under this lease or any part thereof and that such provision provide that if this lease is found to have been made in violation of the foregoing prohibition or it is found that this prohibition has been violated during the term of the lease, the lease shall be void, except that the foregoing limitation shall not apply if the lease is entered into with a publicly-held corporation or publicly-held entity for the general benefit of such corporation or entity.

*Provided further*, prior to entering into this lease or approving a novation agreement involving a change of ownership under this lease, the Administrator of General Services shall require the offeror or the parties requesting the novation, as applicable, to identify and disclose whether the owner of the leased space, including an entity involved in the financing thereof, is a foreign person or a foreign-owned entity; provided further, in such an instance, the Administrator of General Services shall notify the occupant agency(ies) in writing, and consult with such occupant agency(ies) regarding security concerns and necessary mitigation measures (if any) prior to award of the lease or approval of the novation agreement.

*Provided that,* to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator of General Services shall require that the lease procurement consider the availability of public transportation consistent with agency mission requirements and that the space to be leased be renovated for all cost-effective improvements, including renewable energy upgrades, water efficiency improvements, and indoor air quality optimization, that reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Adopted: April 28, 2022



#### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

#### LEASE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES SUBURBAN KANSAS CITY, MO PMO-01-KC22

# **RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS OF** THE UNITED STATES SENATE

that pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, a prospectus providing for a lease of up to 342,245 rentable square feet, including 5 official parking spaces, for the Department of Homeland Security, Citizenship and Immigration Service, currently housed at 150 NW Space Center Loop in Lee's Summit, MO, at a proposed annual cost of \$6,465,008 for a lease term of up to 10 years, a description of which is attached hereto and by reference made part of this resolution, is approved.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

*Provided*, that to the maximum extent practicable, the Administrator of the General Services Administration shall require that the procurement include energy efficiency requirements as would be required for the construction of a federal building.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall require that the delineated area of the procurement is identical to the delineated area included in the prospectus, *except that*, if the Administrator determines that the delineated area if the procurement should not be identical to the delineated are included in the prospectus, the Administrator shall provide an explanatory statement to the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the United States Senate prior to exercising any lease authority provided in this resolution.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall provide to the Chairman or Ranking Member of the Committee on Environment and Public Works of the Senate, in a timely manner, requested documents and information regarding this prospectus and resulting contractual materials, without redaction other than redactions to exclude business confidential, proprietary, and/or procurement sensitive information.

*Provided further*, the Administrator may not enter into this lease if it does not contain a provision barring any individual holding a Federally-elected office, regardless of whether such individual took office before or after execution of this lease, to directly participate in, or benefit from or under this lease or any part thereof and that such provision provide that if the lease is found to have been made in violation of the foregoing prohibition or it is found that this prohibition has been violated during the term of this lease, the lease shall be void, except for the foregoing

limitation shall not apply if the lease is entered into with a publicly-held corporation or publiclyheld entity for the general benefit of such corporation or entity.

*Provided further*, prior to entering into this lease or approving a novation agreement involving a change of ownership under this lease, the Administrator shall require the offeror or the parties requesting the novation, as applicable, to identify and disclose whether the owner of the leased space, including an entity involved in the financing thereof, is a foreign person or a foreign-owned entity; provided further, in such an instance the Administrator shall notify the occupant agency(ies) in writing, and consult with such occupant agency(ies) regarding security concerns and necessary mitigation measures (if any) prior to award of the lease or approval of the novation agreement.

*Provided further*, that the Administrator shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

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Chairman

Shelley Moore Capito

**Ranking Member** 

Adopted: April 7, 2022

#### PROSPECTUS – LEASE U.S. CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES SUBURBAN KANSAS CITY, MO

Prospectus Number: PMO-01-KC22 Congressional District: 05

#### **Executive Summary**

The General Services Administration (GSA) proposes a lease of approximately 342,245 rentable square feet (RSF) for the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, National Records Center (USCIS-NRC), currently located at 150 NW Space Center Loop in Lee's Summit, MO. USCIS-NRC has occupied the subterranean space since 1999 under a lease that expires on October 14, 2024.

The lease will provide continued housing for USCIS-NRC and will maintain the office and overall space utilization rates at 151 and 505 usable square feet (USF) per person respectively.

#### **Description**

Occupant: Current RSF: Estimated/Proposed Maximum RSF:	USCIS-NRC 342,245 (Current RSF/USF = 1.00) 342,245 (Proposed RSF/USF = 1.00)
Expansion/Reduction RSF:	None
Current USF/Person:	505
Estimated/Proposed USF/Person:	505
Expiration Dates of Current Lease(s):	10/14/2024
Proposed Maximum Leasing Authority:	10 years
Delineated Area:	North: I-70
	East: Highway 7
	South: Highway 150
	West: Highway 49/ Highway 435
Number of Official Parking Spaces:	5
Scoring:	Operating
Current Total Annual Cost:	\$4,336,267 (lease effective 10/15/1999)
Estimated Rental Rate <sup>1</sup> :	\$18.89 / RSF
Estimated Total Annual Cost <sup>2</sup> :	\$6,465,008

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This estimate is for fiscal year 2025 and may be escalated by 2 percent annually to the effective date of the lease to account for inflation. The proposed rental rate is fully serviced including all operating expenses, whether paid by the lessor or directly by the Government. GSA will conduct the procurement using prevailing market rental rates as a benchmark for the evaluation of competitive offers and as the basis for negotiating with offerors to ensure that lease award is made in the best interest of the Government.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> New leases may contain an escalation clause to provide for annual changes in real estate taxes and operating costs.

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#### **Background**

The USCIS mission is to administer the Nation's lawful immigration system, safeguarding its integrity and promise by efficiently and fairly adjudicating requests for immigration benefits while protecting Americans, securing the homeland, and honoring our values. USCIS oversees lawful immigration to the United States, providing services that include citizenship, immigration of family members, visas, verification of legal rights to work in the United States, humanitarian programs, adoptions, civic integration, and genealogy.

The NRC oversees the storage, management, and integrity of 72.5 million immigration files and an additional 17.5 million files in circulation across its Service Centers and Field Offices, while supporting the largest Freedom of Information Act program in the Federal Government.

GSA will consider whether USCIS-NRC's continued housing needs should be satisfied in the existing location based on an analysis of other potential locations within the delineated area. If other potential locations are identified, a cost-benefit analysis will be conducted to determine whether the Government can expect to recover the relocation and duplication costs of real and personal property needed for USCIS-NRC to accomplish its mission.

#### **Justification**

The USCIS-NRC is currently housed at 150 NW Space Center Loop in Lee's Summit, MO, in a lease that expires October 14, 2024. The existing location handles a daily average of over 100,000 files. These files are received, shipped out, pulled for audits or other action, and shelved.

USCIS is finalizing a long-term master plan to modernize NRC's current storage and retrieval system. USCIS-NRC requires continued housing to carry out its mission during the development of the master plan, and the 10-year term will provide adequate time for planning and execution of the long-term strategy.

#### **Summary of Energy Compliance**

GSA will incorporate energy efficiency requirements into the Request for Lease Proposals and other documents related to the procurement of space based on the approved prospectus. GSA encourages offerors to exceed minimum requirements set forth in the procurement and to achieve an Energy Star performance rating of 75 or higher.

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# **Resolutions of Approval**

Resolutions adopted by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works approving this prospectus will constitute approval to make appropriations to lease space in a facility that will yield the required rentable area.

# **Interim Leasing**

GSA will execute such interim leasing actions as are necessary to ensure continued housing of the tenant agency prior to the effective date of the new lease. It is in the best interest of the Government to avert the financial risk of holdover tenancy.

# **OMB Memorandum M-21-25 Implementations and Long-Term Space Requirements**

The requirements within this prospectus reflect the known space needs prior to its submission to Congress. Agencies continue to develop their return to physical workplaces strategies consistent with OMB Memorandum M-21-25, incorporate lessons learned while working both in-person and under maximum telework during the COVID-19 pandemic, and determine each agency's long-term space posture. Accordingly, the requirements outlined in this prospectus may change prior to award of a lease. In the event that a change results in a revised requirement that makes a material change and does not fit within the acceptable parameters of the Congressional resolutions, GSA will submit an amended prospectus for consideration by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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#### **<u>Certification of Need</u>**

The proposed project is the best solution to meet a validated Government need.

Submitted at Washington, DC, on  $\frac{11/17/2021}{}$ 

Recommended: \_\_\_\_\_\_Commissioner, Public Buildings Service

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Administrator, General Services Administration