

NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: [ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS](#) authorizing the Mayor of the City of New Haven to accept a federal earmark of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000.00) for the Department of Police Services and the Public Safety Communications Department.

Submitted by: Acting Chief of Police

REPORT: 1682-13

ADVICE: Final action already taken by BOA

BACKGROUND:

This order will authorize the City to accept \$750,000.00 from the Federal Government under the FY26 Community Project Funding Program, previously known as a federal earmark by the House Appropriations Committee. The funds will be used by the New Haven Police Department for the following activities:

- Acquisition of “spike strips” used to end high speed auto chases safely;
- Acquisition and deployment of 50 additional license plate readers;
- Acquisition of “high speed pursuit alternative” technology;
- Replacement of the City’s 911 microwave radio system.

All of the above activities are in alignment with the City of New Haven Police Department’s community policing philosophy that supports collaboration among its sworn officers and the community to reduce crime and improve public safety.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

[Vision 2034](#), **New Haven’s Comprehensive Plan**, includes the following goals and strategies:

Civic Services & Experiences

Goal 7: Enhance public safety services to effectively meet community needs.

- Strategy 7.1: Modernize and improve the efficiency of the Police Department.
- Strategy 7.2: Improve Police and Fire Department infrastructure and resources

ADVICE

The Commission noted that final action has already been taken by BOA.

ADOPTED: May 20, 2026
Ernest Pagan
Chair

ATTEST: _____
Laura Brown
Executive Director, City Plan Department