

**CITY OF NEW HAVEN
HOMELESS ADVISORY COMMISSION**

November 14, 2014

Jorge Perez, President
City of New Haven Board of Alders
City Hall, 2nd Floor
165 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

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Dear President Perez:

Per statutory obligations which define the powers and duties of the City of New Haven Homeless Advisory Commission, I am pleased to submit to you for the Board of Alders review and consideration as it relates to the proposal to introduce parking meters in the City of New Haven for the collection of resources for the homeless, the Commission's recommendations, as passed at the Commission's November 13, 2014 regular meeting. These recommendations have been submitted to the Mayor, as statutorily required.

The Commission has had several discussions on the contents of these recommendations, which provide the reasons for its recommendations, including a presentation and discussion with Douglas Hausladen, Director, New Haven Department of Transportation, Traffic and Parking. The Commission strongly supports the concept and offers an alternative to the proposed distribution of enhanced resources, based on past local efforts to address panhandling and the understanding that those who panhandle are not necessarily homeless.

The Commission trusts that the Board of Alders will find the recommendations helpful as you consider this proposal and stands by to assist you in any way deemed appropriate.

Sincerely,


John Huettner, Chair

cc: Dr. Martha Okafor, Administrator, Community Services Administration
Douglas Hausladen, Director, New Haven Department of Transportation, Traffic and Parking
Ron Manning, Deputy Administrator, Community Services Administration
Members, Homeless Advisory Commission

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